

**Colorado Independent CattleGrower's Association**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**7:30 MST**  
**August 17, 2015**

1. **Call to order:** President Wil Bledsoe called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.
2. **Roll Call Directors& Guests:** Directors present were Curt Werner, Don Gittleson and Tom Robb. Officers and past presidents present were President Wil Bledsoe, Vice President Lorene Bonds, Secretary Cody Jolly, Treasurer Janell Reid and past president Gerald Schreiber, Kimmi Lewis and John Reid. Directors and past presidents not present were Jerry Koskie, Mack Loudon, Dr. John Maulsby and Paul Schmucker. Guests present Totsy Reese CICA lobbyist, Bill Bullard with R-CALF and CICA intern Clay Patton.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** President Wil Bledsoe asked if anyone had any additions or corrections to make to the June meeting minutes. Janell Reid made a motion to accept the minutes. Lorene Bonds seconded. Motion Carried.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Janell Reid reviewed the June treasurer's report. Lorene Bonds made a motion to accept the treasure's report. Curt Werner seconded. Motion Carried.
5. **R-CALF:** Bill Bullard with R-CALF spoke on County of Origin Labeling (COOL) and that it was false that COOL was attached to the transportation bill. The house voted for a full repeal of COOL and there is a voluntary provision of COOL proposed. The level of damages has to be proved by Canada and Mexico and the US trade representative claims there is no more than 92 million dollars in damages to Canada and Mexico.
6. **Lobbyist Report:** Totsy didn't have much to report on but she did mention that Jerry Sonnenberg wasn't sure if he was going to try and run his animal welfare bill.
7. **Membership Report:** Kristine Lewis reported that our membership list has 380 people on it 62 which are delinquent, 318 current and 22 new members. The latest round of renewals were sent out and 97 of the 186 that were sent out have been returned. Kristine

also reported that Marvin Hasser wants a list of everyone who bought a book from him so they could get a page that is missing out of the book.

### **Old Business**

- a) **Southeast Colorado Private Property:** Kimmi Lewis spoke about the comment letter that was sent to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM, the state land board Chancellor Ranch being up for lease and the possible purchase of the Gutierrez Ranch possibly being bought by the state land board.
- b) **Convention (July 17-18):** Cody Jolly made a motion to give Randy Pfaff a \$150 donation for doing the church service. Lorene Bonds seconded. Motion Carried.
- c) **Grazing Rates Round Table:** Cody Jolly reported that he had email a lady with the state land board and he heard back from her and stated that the state land board is going ahead with the 3 tiered grazing rates that were proposed.
- d) **Intern Review and Bonus Consideration:** Lorene Bonds made a motion to give Clay Patton CICA intern a \$500 bonus. Janell Reid seconded. Motion Carried.
- e) **Other:**

### **8) New Business**

- a. **Fall Meeting Location:** President Wil Bledsoe asked where everyone would like to have our fall retreat for the board. The board decided after discussion to meet in Monte Vista on September 21, 2015 at the electric coop.
- b. **Other New Business:** Cody Jolly encourage the board to call anyone to help oppose SB1140 the Waters of the US and John Reid and Gerald Schreiber talked about animal ID and the issue of producers being issued premise identifications without their knowledge.
- c. **Officer and Director Reports:** The officers and directors reported on the weather and their operations.

**9) Adjourn:** Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 p.m. The next meeting will be our fall retreat in Monte Vista Colorado on September 21, 2015.