

Colorado Independent CattleGrower's Association
Monthly Meeting
7:00 MST
January 19, 2015

1. **Call to order:** President Wil Bledsoe called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.
2. **Roll Call Directors& Guests:** Directors present were Mack Louden, Dr. John Maulsby Curt Werner and Tom Robb. Officers present were President Wil Bledsoe, Vice President Lorene Bonds, Secretary Cody Jolly, Treasurer Janell Reid and past presidents, Gerald Schreiber and John Reid. Directors and past presidents not present were Kimmi Lewis, Jerry Koskie, Don Gittleson and Paul Schmucker. Guests present Bill Bullard, Totsy Rees and CICA membership coordinator Korry Lewis.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** President Wil Bledsoe asked if anyone had any corrections to make to the December meeting minutes. Mack Louden made a motion to accept the December meeting minutes. Janell Reid seconded. Motion Carried.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Janell Reid reviewed the December treasurer's report. Tom Robb made a motion to accept the treasure's report. Lorene Bonds seconded. Motion Carried.
5. **R-CALF:** Bill Bullard with R-CALF discussed Country of Origin Labeling (COOL), the Beef Checkoff, the sudden fall in cattle futures, animal identification (ID),Section 7 consultation regarding the Air Force expansion in the Powder River Training Complex and Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Act (GIPSA rule).
6. **Lobbyist Report:** Totsy discussed the flex water bill, stock show complex changes, dyed diesel tax, seasonal farm vehicle registration, Senate Bills 84, 55 and 46 House Bills 1057 and 1069, low flush toilet repeal and animal abuse bill.
7. **Membership Report:** Korry Lewis reported that membership renewals are coming back great after sending out renewals in December.

Old Business

- a) **Pinion Canyon/Southeast Colorado Private Property:** Korry Lewis reported that a letter had to be sent to the United States Historic Sites Registry due to the fact some properties in Southern Colorado were fixing to be listed but the land owners had no idea this was happening.
- b) **Sustainability Meeting:** Tracy Hunt spoke at Kim Colorado on January 10, 2015 at the Southern Colorado Livestock Association meeting. John and Janell Reid thought it was a great presentation. Janell Reid made a motion to pay \$450 dollars to help cover Tracy Hunts travel expenses. Tom Robb seconded. Motions Carries. Past President Gerald Schreiber is in the process of putting a meeting together where Tracy Hunt would speak in Northern Colorado.
- c) **Legislative Day (February 12):** There was discussion on who we should have come speak to our group in the afternoon and it was decided to have someone speak about what all takes place at the capital while the session is going. Totsy take care of reserving our room to meeting in and our speaker.
- d) **Convention (July 17-18):** Janell Reid paid half of the building rent. The ranch tour portion of the convention is set up. This year will be our 10th annual convention. The convention will be held July 17-18, 2015.
- e) **Other:** Janell Reid brought up getting gift card for Leellen Koroulis and Tom Moulden. Cody Jolly made a motion to get Leellen and Tom \$100 gift cards to a store in their area. Lorene Bonds seconded. Motion Carried.

9) **New Business**

- a. **Resource Alliance:** President Wil Bledsoe brought up we still haven't decided if we wanted to renew with the Colorado Resource Alliance which provides daily updates on what local and federal agencies are doing that could affect us as producers. Korry Lewis who used to do the daily updates for Colorado Resource Alliance understood we weren't

happy since everyone wasn't receiving it on a daily basis. Janell Reid made a motion to renew with Colorado Resource Alliance but if not everyone is receiving it on a daily basis we cancel and get the remainder of our money back. Lorene Bonds seconded. Motion Carries.

b. Animal Cruelty Bill: The legislative committee will discuss stance on their next conference call.

c. Southwestern Colorado Livestock Association Annual Banquet:

Lorene Bonds stated that the meeting and banquet were going to be held on February 14th from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

d. Other New Business: The Four States Ag Expo is going to be held March 19, 20 and 21, 2015 in Cortez Colorado. Cody Jolly made a motion to have a booth at the Ag expo again. Janell Reid seconded. Motion Carries. Dr. John Maulsby reported that Colorado is participating in an Animal ID study.

e. Officer and Director Reports: The officers and directors reported on the weather and their operations.

10) Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned at 9:23 p.m... The next meeting will be February 16, 2015.