

Colorado Independent Cattle Grower's Association

7:00p.m.

November 18, 2013

- 1) **Call to order:** President Will Bledsoe called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
- 2) **Roll Call Directors & Guests:** Directors on the call were Mack Loudon, Curt Werner, Tom Robb and Paul Schmucker. Officers present were President Will Bledsoe, Vice President Lorene Bonds Secretary Cody Jolly, Treasurer Janell Reid and past President, Gerald Schreiber. Directors and past presidents not present on the call were Kimmi Lewis, John Reid, Jerry Koskie, Dr. John Maulsby, Leellen Koroulis, Don Gittleson, Tom Moulden, and Korry Lewis.
- 3) **Minutes of previous meeting:** President Will Bledsoe asked if anyone had any problems with the minutes as emailed by Secretary Cody Jolly. Mack Loudon so moved to accept the minutes as emailed Janell Reid seconded. Motion Carried
- 4) **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Janell Reid reviewed the treasurer's report as it was emailed. Janell stated that we took in \$500 in donations for the blizzard relief fund, \$200 in producer dues, \$70 in associated dues, \$500 donation from William Bledsoe and a \$10 donation for our intern account. Janell also reported that Kimmi Lewis turned in several bills to be paid. Lorene Bonds made a motion to give Janell Reid the authority to pay our insurance bill and to accept the treasurer's report as emailed. Tom Robb seconded. Motion Carried
- 5) **Lobbyist Report:** Lobbyist Totsy Rees first reported that Jerry Sonnenberg was considering running a bill on videotaping abuse. This bill would require someone to report it within 48 hours of videotaping. Totsy also reported that there may be a possible partial revoke of Senate Bill 252. Cody Jolly asked Totsy about Governor Hickenlooper's announcement for keeping track of the methane gas released on oil and gas well sites. Totsy said she did make it to that announcement today and said it would be the strictest standards for air quality. It was also stated that it could cost oil

and gas companies \$30 million dollars to implement this. Mack Louden made the comment that he has been hearing rumors of a wolf reintroduction on Ted Turner's ranch in New Mexico which borders the Colorado State line.

- 6) **R-CALF Report:** Bill Bullard from R-CALF first reported on the status of Country Origin of Labeling. He gave some history on the multi-origin loophole and how it was stated that the new rules released by the United States Department of Agriculture was better since it eliminated the multi-origin label and stated where meat product actually came from. There will be a hearing in January on COOL. Bill also talked about the Beef Checkoff stating that National Cattlemen's Beef Association needs to be removed from being a recipient of Checkoff money.
- 7) **Membership Report:** There were 3 renewals and 1 new membership Janell Reid reported.

Old Business

- a) **Pinon Canyon/Army activity:** Mack Louden reported that they were back to square one again after taking away the funding ban. Also the Assistant Secretary from the Army was going to be coming to the Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site and make some kind of announcement.
- b) **Insurance Renewal:** The bill was going to be sent to Janell from Tim Anderson with Gordon Insurance and she was given authority at the beginning of the meeting when the treasurer report was given to pay the bill.
- c) **2014 Calendar of Activities/Ideas (Convention Date):** Vice President Lorene Bonds asked the board what we would like to do for our ranch tour during the 2014 convention. Lorene had two ideas for tours one was going where they have a summer permit and the second one was going down to tour the Navajo Indian Agricultural Project in Farmington, NM.

d) Other: The blizzard relief money. CICA took in \$500 dollars so we will match with another \$500 for a total donation of \$1000.

8) New Business

a) Lincoln County Stockmen's Association Banquet: Cody Jolly talked about how their banquet went. He stated there was a good turnout and it was a success having local businesses pay for a booth space to help pay for the banquet. The main speaker for the banquet was from Hubbard Feed speaking on cattle markets.

b) Stock Show: We will talk about it next meeting to see if we want to go up as a group during the National Western Stock Show.

c) Sonneberg Bill: Jerry Sonnenberg was considering running a bill on videotaping abuse. This bill would require someone to report it within 48 hours of videotaping.

d) Sarah Nuss: President Bledsoe wanted the board to know that she did finally have her baby. Past President Gerald Schreiber said we should give her a gift for the baby since she has done good work for the group in the past. Lorene Bonds made a motion to give her \$30 Janell Reid seconded. There a question in discussion brought up by Mack Loudon asking where we cut off the giving of gifts. After discussion the motion carried.

e) Director Reports: A few directors gave reports on how thing were going in their part of the state.

f) Website: President Will Bledsoe stated that after changing people who maintains CICA's website there has not been much changed on it since the job had changed hands.

g) Angus AD: Cody Jolly asked if we had ever been billed for the Colorado Angus Association Ad. Gerald Schreiber had never received a bill and asked if Paul Schmucker would help get the issue resolved.

- h) Bennett Sign-on:** Janell Reid had a sign on letter for Senator Bennett to encourage him to support Country Origin of Labeling.
- i) Adjourn:** Cody Jolly so moved Janell Reid seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cody Jolly

CICA Secretary