

SHASTA COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of November 22, 2011

Steve Moller called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Directors attending were Matt Fowler, Ernie Stephenson, Pete Hufford, Paul Bertagna and Steve Dabovich. Also attending were Farm Advisor Larry Forero, Bill Gregory, Michael Ward and Evelyn Reed.

The minutes of the October 25, 2011 meeting were approved as mailed to the membership.

The Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

Cash in bank as of October 25, 2011		\$1,035.12
Deposits:	\$2740.44	
Disbursements:	(\$472.47)	
Cash in bank as of November 22, 2011		<u>\$3,303.09</u>
Savings balance as of November 22, 2011	<u>\$6,295.37</u>	

It was motioned, seconded and carried to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Comment:

Bill Gregory mentioned that the Department of Fish and Game is being infiltrated by the Humane Society. Bill also mentioned that the Farm Bureau is not taking a position on the proposed dam removals on the Klamath River. Discussion followed.

Michael Ward discussed his work on the Department of Water Resources California Water Plan, which will be the basis for California's water resource management policy. Michael also discussed the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWM), which will provide funding for water related projects. Michael will follow developments with these plans and keep the SCCA informed.

Steve Dabovich mentioned that metal posts were stolen near Highway 273. The thieves were caught, found to have no drivers license, required to call for a licensed diver, return the posts and then released.

Committee Reports:

Paul Bertagna reported that the state has mandated that the fee for the Irrigated Lands Program be increased from one dollar to two dollars an acre and the minimum fee be increased from \$25 to \$50. Discussion followed. Paul then mentioned that a lawsuit has been filed against the fire prevention fee. Paul also mentioned that the Stewardship Council has distributed PG&E lands in Big Bend to Cal Fire and the University of Berkley.

Pete Hufford reported that the Brand Committee at the CCA Convention passed a resolution on the National Animal Disease Traceability (NADT) opposing tagging young cattle but supporting tagging older cows, with reservations. Brad Peek and the Kern County delegate were instrumental in the discussion opposing NADT and the tagging of

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all cattle. Pete also mentioned that the resolutions drafted at the joint resolutions committee in McArthur and sent to the convention by Larry did not get to the brand committee chairman. Pete had to introduce the copy he had with him.

Old Business:

Steve Moller reported on the CCA Convention. In Quality Assurance there was discussion on how to get more people to recertify. A draft of animal welfare guidelines for law enforcement officers put out by UC Davis was also discussed. In Natural Resources there was discussion on getting the CCA out of the Rangeland Coalition. The Beef Check Off increase passed. Steve also mentioned a paper presented by the Humane Society of the United States on animal welfare. Discussion followed.

It was motioned, seconded and approved to reimburse the State Director.

New Business:

The SCCA Annual Meeting was discussed.

It was motioned, seconded and approved to rent the Odd Fellows Hall in Palo Cedro for the SCCA Annual Meeting to be held January 7, 2011.

Steve Dabovich was appointed to chair the nominating committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

The SCCA meetings are open to the public. We encourage anyone interested to attend. The SCCA meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month (except December) at 7:30 p.m. at 1851 Hartnell Avenue in Redding. Visit our website at www.shastacountycattlemen.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Reed
Secretary