

SHASTA COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of September 27, 2011

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

The minutes of the August 23, 2011 meeting were approved as mailed to the membership.

The Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

Cash in bank as of August 23, 2011		\$2,058.87
Deposits	\$1,110.00	
Disbursements	(\$2,020.35)	
Cash in bank as of September 27, 2011		<u>\$1,148.52</u>
Savings balance as of September 27, 2011	<u>\$6,294.84</u>	

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

Comment:

Bill Gregory mentioned that the Siskiyou County Water Users Association could use support, through membership, for the continuing effort to preserve property and water rights. The appropriate level of membership for an organization such as the SCCA was not clear and will need to be determined. It was then mentioned that the Siskiyou County Farm Bureau has filed a lawsuit against the California Department of Fish and Game requiring 1602 stream bed alteration permits to divert water in the Scott and Shasta Valleys. Water master fees, diversion inspection fees, government agencies forcing access onto private lands and dam removals releasing mercury into waterways were then discussed. It was also mentioned that a meeting will be held October 22, 2011 at the Yreka Fairgrounds to discuss dam removals.

It was motioned, seconded and carried to authorize Matt Fowler to speak on behalf of the SCCA at the October 22, 2011 meeting in Yreka.

It was also motioned, seconded and carried to contribute \$100 to the Siskiyou County Farm Bureau legal fund to support the lawsuit against the California Department of Fish and Game requiring 1602 stream bed alteration permits for water diversions.

Michael Ward mentioned the California Department of Water Resources Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Program (IRWM). This program would fund regional water management plan projects. Discussion of the program followed.

Committee Reports:

Ginger Fowler reported that there are 153 current SCCA members. The mailings and picnic brought in 35 renewals, 17 new members and 8 student members. Steve Moller was the winner of the membership contest and generously donated the winnings back to SCCA.

Paul Bertagna reported that the Shasta-Tehema Watershed Education Coalition, at the August meeting, voted to not collect any increased Irrigated Lands Program administration fees, over the current twelve cents an acre, for the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Most water coalitions, acting independently, have taken similar action. Paul also reported that a Cal Fire fee has become state law. So even though Senator Nielsen has introduced legislation to repeal that law, expect a bill in January from the State Board of Equalization.

Pete Hufford reported on the National Animal Disease Traceback Program (NADT). The CCA Mid-year Convention resolution opposing NADT was discussed.

Old Business:

The SCCA Family Picnic at Hawes Farms was discussed. Thank you to the CattleWomen and the organizing committee for a job well done. Thanks to Greg Hawes for the use of Hawes Farms. Thank you also to Glen Hawes and Larry Lees for an excellent job at the barbeque.

New Business:

The Fall Feeder Sale will be held October 14, 2011 at the Shasta Livestock Auction Yard.

The CCA has requested donations for the CCA Convention. Following discussion, **it was motioned, seconded and carried to donate two \$25 door prizes for the CCA Convention.**

Ken Silva has offered to donate the meat for the summer barbeque next year.

Paul Bertagna wrote a letter for the SCCA to send to the Shasta County Board of Supervisors proposing an ordinance to require permits to grow medicinal marijuana. Following discussion, **it was motioned, seconded and carried to send Paul's letter proposing a medical marijuana ordinance to the Shasta County Board of Supervisors.**

Len Lindstrand mentioned that there will be a Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 1st at Shasta College to celebrate the 60th year of the Ag Department.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 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