

STATE BOARD OF STOCK INSPECTION

Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Members Present: Kathie Riley, President; Daniel McCarty, Vice-President; Marla Rock, Secretary-Treasurer; and David Mendenhall, Board Member.

Members Absent: Kory Kessinger, Board Member.

Staff Present: Chris Whitney, Brand Commissioner; Cara Wells, Colorado Brand Board; Brenda Pierce, Colorado Brand Board.

Guests Present: Jenifer Gurr, Chief Administrative Officer; Billy Seiber, Attorney General's Office; Kellee Mitchell, Colorado Livestock Association.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Kathie Riley requesting approval of the January 20, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Marla Rock entered a motion for the minutes to be approved as presented. David Mendenhall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financials were presented to the Board. The Board briefly discussed several items on the financials noting the drastic differences between horse permit revenues from January 2015 and January 2016 and the effect that lower fuel prices are having on expenditures. It was noted that the fees for horse inspections and horse permits increased in January 2015 so there was a push in December 2014 for people to have their horses inspected prior to the fee increase.

Chris Whitney reported the 2016 vehicles will cost \$18,984.00 each for two-wheel drive Chevrolet Silverado pickups. We will order six to be delivered before June 30, 2016. As was previously mentioned, Brand Inspector Terry Short was involved in an accident that resulted in his vehicle being totaled. The insurance company for the driver who was at fault will pay approximately \$13,700.00 for the totaled vehicle. The Ag Management Fund request of \$150,000.00 has been approved for use in purchasing computers, printers, and paper for the electronic certificate program. Deb Vernon will start as the Division's Technology Coordinator on March 1, 2016. Brand Division staff, with assistance from Kate McRoy from the Commissioner's Office, will develop the implementation plan for the electronic certificate program. As of January 2016 there were fifteen employees with between 140 and 200 hours of comp time and six employees with between 201 and 240 hours of comp time. The comp time balance increased by 603.75 hours from the December 2015 balance. The Denver

District had a large comp. time increase due to the National Western Stock Show. The Motherwell Ranch, LLC alternative livestock facility inventory was originally scheduled to be completed by March 1, 2016. Motherwell has requested an extension to May 1, 2016 due to the large amount of snow on the ground making it difficult to work the animals and the fact that the bull elk have not shed their antlers yet and there is a concern for the safety of the animals and people involved in completing the inventory and veterinary inspections. Dan McCarty made a motion to extend the deadline for the completion of the inventory from March 1, 2016 to May 1, 2016. Marla Rock seconded the motion. Motion carried. Cara Wells and Chris Whitney are planning to participate in at least one certified feedlot audit in the month of March in preparation for the review of the certified feedlot audit process meeting that will occur this spring. The Colorado Cattlemen's Association Summer Convention will be June 13-15, 2016. The CCA has asked the Board to schedule the monthly meeting for June 14, 2016 due to scheduling issues with various committee meetings during the convention. After Board discussion, Chris Whitney will work with CCA to schedule the meeting for 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2016. Summit Livestock Exchange has requested two special sale dates. The Board approved the additional sale dates as long as there are no other sale conflicts in the area that will result in inspector scheduling conflicts. The Montrose Office of the State Patrol, the La Plata County Sheriff's Office and the Colorado State Patrol Academy have requested livestock law training in March. Art Flynn (Montrose) and Chad Moore (La Plata) will assist Chris Whitney with the training in their respective inspection districts.

Jenifer Gurr reported that the Department of Agriculture has reorganized the Conservation Division and will be posting a job announcement for a Division Director. The reorganized Division will add significant federal land use management and liaison duties and responsibilities. The performance review cycle will begin in the near future.

Applications for a new employee in the La Junta District will be reviewed by Supervisor Dan Buhr on February 22, 2016. Mr. Buhr will then conduct interviews based on the applications that were received. Lacey Gerard has been hired to fill the part-time position in the Eagle District upon the resignation of Bill Schlegel on February 20, 2016. Brian Anderson has been hired to fill the part-time position in the Walden District with the retirement of Albert "Buck" Huston.

There were three certified feedlot audits completed and paperwork submitted since the January 2016 Board meeting. One audit balanced to zero. One audit was off one head and the third audit was off seven head.

Three Alternative Livestock certificates were written in the month of December 2015 for five head of elk.

DISTRIBUTION OF INSPECTION DATA AND LITERATURE TO BOARD MEMBERS:

- (a) Volume of Estrays Handled Monthly
- (b) New Brands, Transfers, and Delinquent Assessments Paid

ESTRAY FUND:

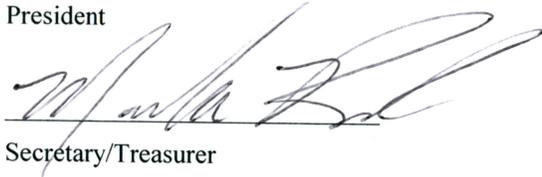
In January 2016 \$496.64 was deposited into the Estray Fund. \$460.29 was for proceeds of sale on two head of cattle, horses and/or sheep. \$36.35 was for interest received on certificates of deposit. No certificates of deposit matured during the month of January.

Motion by Marla Rock that the next meeting be held on March 16, 2016 commencing at 7:00 o'clock a.m. by conference call. Seconded by Dan McCarty. Motion carried.

Motion by David Mendenhall that this meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Dan McCarty. Motion carried.



President



Secretary/Treasurer

REPORT OF ESTRAYS HELD AND PROCEEDS DEPOSITED

January 2016 Deposits

INSPECTOR	DESCRIPTION	ADVERTISED/ SALE BARN HOLD	WHOM TAKEN FROM OR REPORTED BY	AMOUNT HELD
Shetley, Randy	1 roan geld G→ lh (dim)	Advertised	Lawrence Zeldenthuis Crawford, CO	\$52.77
Stone, Colby	1 black/brown miniature mule no brand	Advertised	Deb Fairchild Weld County Animal Control Ft Lupton, CO	Returned to Owner (\$25.20)
Stone, Colby	1 paint overo geld VR lh, 1 chestnut mare no brand	Advertised	Milliken Police Dept Milliken, CO	Returned to Owner (\$24.90)
Lewis, Brice	1 buckskin mare ∧ rh	Sale Barn	Donna Soroka Buena Vista, CO	\$443.12