

SHASTA COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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Mid-Summer Educational Meeting and SCCA Directors Meeting August 23, 2011

The Midsummer Meeting was held at the Millville Grange and was well attended. The agenda included topics of special interest to irrigators and water right holders. Shannon Wooten, Chairman of the Shasta-Tehema Watermaster Special District, discussed the Department of Water Resources dramatically increased watermaster fees and the resulting creation of the special watermaster district. Bill Quinn of Shasta Land Services discussed Senate Bill 34 (California Water Resources Investment Act of 2011), which would impose fees on water users. Bruce Houdesheldt of the Northern California Water Association and the Sacramento Valley Water Quality Coalition discussed water quality monitoring and the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. In the future the program will include ground water monitoring as well as a tier structure for monitoring based on water quality. Areas in tier one would have tested good water quality and would require less monitoring than tier two, with possible water quality problems, or tier three, with tested water quality problems. Larry Forero, Shasta County Farm Advisor, discussed the installation of water measuring devices, from weirs in open ditches to meters in closed pipelines. Many thanks to Glen Hawes for donating the delicious peaches. Thanks also to everyone who helped slice and serve.

SCCA Directors Meeting

Steve Moller called the SCCA Directors meeting to order at 8:45 p.m. Directors attending were Matt Fowler, Bob Moller, Bill Kneer, Paul Bertagna, Ernie Stephenson, Pete Hufford, Butch Sartori, Steve Dabovich and alternates Len Lindstrand and Bill Quinn. Also attending were Farm Advisor Larry Forero, Ginger Fowler, Betty Stephenson, Karen Moller, Cloe Fowler, Tennyson Fowler and Evelyn Reed.

The minutes of the July 26, 2011 meeting were approved as mailed to the membership.

The Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

Cash in bank as of July 26, 2011		\$1,932.02
Deposits	\$285.25	
Disbursements	(\$158.40)	
Cash in bank as of August 23, 2011		<u>\$2,058.87</u>
Savings balance as of August 23, 2011	<u>\$6,268.57</u>	

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

Old Business:

Larry Forero reported that the Carcass Contest at the Shasta District Fair went very well, with seventy per cent of the steers grading choice or better. The winner will be awarded a buckle at the SCCA/SCCW Picnic. Larry also mentioned John Ford, a rancher near Willits, who is threatened with losing his grazing lease because of the Willits 101 Highway by-pass.

It was motioned, seconded and carried to send a letter in support of John Ford.

Discussion regarding Shasta County Animal Regulation functions being contracted out to Haven Humane was tabled for a future meeting.

Matt Fowler reported on details of the SCCA/SCCW Family Picnic to be held September 24th at Hawes Ranch and Farm Supply.

New Business:

The SCCA Feeder Sale, to be held Friday, October 14, 2011 at the Shasta Livestock Auction Yard, was discussed.

The Cal Fire Area of Responsibility Fees were discussed.

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