

Newton McDonald County Cattlemen's Association

Minutes for September 17, 2019, 6:30 PM

Buffalo Room, Tatum Center, Crowder College, Jane Missouri Campus

Program:

Welcoming of membership by Nick Neece. President, to a group of 90+ member. Karen Fink and the Crowder Aggies were recognized for their hard work in setting up the room and delivering the meal to the Jane location. President Neece acknowledge the Dinner Sponsored by MFA Agriservices. The meal was blessed by Max Ruhl.

Introduction of Guest Speakers:

Doug Fast – Range and Pasture Specialist, MFA Incorporated. The presentation was about the combined applications of fertilizer and herbicide. The pros and cons of single spraying vs. combining with fertilizer was discussed. Now is the time to spray for thistle and blackberry's. Cattle should be pulled off the pasture for 10 days after spraying. Duracort is the newest spray coming on the market next year. You would use 12 oz compared to 24 oz of Graxon. Spray has a 95% effective rate and fertilizer has a 65% effective rate. Our member Max Brown can explain how the combined applications has worked on his cattle operations.

Carson Hoth and Tyler Sprenkle MJCA Board Members were introduced and presented on their appointments to the Board. They are the first MJCA Board Members from our area. Both gentlemen have shown cattle for several years. (See attached article). Our organization is to review the cost these young men will be responsible for during the next year and discuss a donation at the November Meeting.

Business Meeting:

President Neece called the meeting to order.

Treasurer's Report for the period ending 8/31/19, Submitted by Harry Brown, Treasurer, with an ending balance of \$4,365.93. There was a general discussion. Motion to approve by Randy Drake seconded by Ronnie Tosh. Approved by a voice vote.

Minutes from the January 2019 Membership Meeting submitted by Warren Townsend, Secretary. There was a general discussion. One adjustment due to misspelled name. Motion to approve Max Brown, Seconded Bryan Hall, Approved by a voice vote.

OLD Business Discussed:

State Policy Committee - President Neece communicated that there had been a State Policy Committee Call on September 5th to discuss the support of the Governor, Mike Parsons and Lt. Governor Mike Keyhole. Nick Neece, Max Ruhl and Warren Townsend set in on the call. All voting members support the supported the candidates.

Diamond Animal Clinic Field Day on August 10th - President Neece communicated a 70+ turn out for the presentation at Diamond Animal Clinic. The presentation was for calving vaccinating and grow out percentages.

Political Action Fund Raiser- Estella Osborn and Larry Haflich reported on the basket that was provided for auction. There was a large turnout for the Steak Fry. Estella Osborn and Larry Haflich were able to sign on House Bill 391 concerning locals not having the authority to have more requirements than the State concerning zoning.

NEW Business Discussed:

Thank you notes – Andrew Sherman provided thank you notes sent by individuals receiving sponsorship at the McDonald County Fair. Several member's personally provided funds in the name of Newton / McDonald County Cattlemen's Association for participation in the county fair book and premium sale. Sponsorship had not been discussed for Newton or Mc Donald County Fairs therefore association funds could not be spent.

Nominations Requested – Ronnie Rogers Chairman of the Nomination Committee announced individuals that had requested to be on the ballot for November. Nominations will be taken until the vote at the November meeting. A listing of current officers and by-laws were distributed for review.

Ballot from the committee: President - Nick Neece – Aaron Sherman

Vice- President – Gary Sanny – Mark Knight

Treasurer (remaining 1 year) – John Hobbs – Andrew Sherman – Estella Osborn

Note: Estella Osborn was nominated by Larry Haflich during the meeting

Secretary – Don Carr – Warren Townsend

Donation for MCJA Board Members – Motion by Ronnie Rogers for tabling until cost are determined. seconded by Mark Knight. Secretary was instructed to obtain expected expenditures from the State.

NCBA, Packers and Stockyard Administration -Letters concerning action by NCBA, Packers and Stockyard Administration were distributed to the membership for review concerning the pricing of fed cattle and choice beef during the Tyson Plant fire. Motion was made by Warren Townsend to send Letters to Secretary of Agriculture, Sonny Perdue appreciating him for instructing an investigation into possible fraud and corruption in the packer's segment and a Letter to Governor Michael Parson appreciating him for supporting the investigation. Second by Ronnie Rogers. Passed by voice vote. Members were encouraged to sign the letters for mailing.

Media Site (Face book and Internet) – Estella Osborn requested members review our facebook and internet sites. Advertising pages are available for a fee. Facebook site is Newton and McDonald county Cattlemen. Internet site is www.Newtonandmcdonaldcountcattlemen.com. The more times we go to these sites the higher they will be in the search pool for sites.

Motion to Adjourn request for motion made by Max Ruhl, Seconded by Randy Drake. Voice vote carried. Meeting closed.

Respectfully Submitted by Warren Townsend, Secretary: _____

Minutes approved by the members and accepted by Nick Neece, President Elect: _____