

MINUTES OF THE NEW MEXICO LIVESTOCK
BOARD REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020
10:00 A.M.

EXPO NM
AFRICAN AMERICAN PAVILION
300 SAN PEDRO NE
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87108

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Manzanares calls the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Secretary Conniff calls roll.

ROLL CALL –

Board Members Present:
Chair Molly Manzanares
Vice Chair Toby Dolan
Board Member Rita Padilla-Gutierrez
Board Member Kathy Longinaker
Board Member Edward Paul Torres
Board Member Tony Casados

Telephonic Attendance:
Secretary John Conniff
Board Member Morgan Switzer-McGinley

Absent:
Board Member Tara Vander Dussen

Quorum Established

NMLB STAFF PRESENT:

Belinda Garland, Executive Director	Gary Mora, Area 3 Supervisor
Shawn Davis, Deputy Director	Barry Allen, Area 1 Supervisor
Ralph Zimmerman, NM State Veterinarian	April Riggs, Area 2 Supervisor
Troy Patterson, Area 4 Supervisor	Julie Gauman, IT
Andrew Silva, CFO	Beth Mitchell, District 8 Brand Inspector
Marcella Torres, Fin Spec	MaryAnn Marquez, Fin Spec
Leif C. Rasmussen, NM Department of Game and Fish, General Counsel, Temp Part-Time Assignment to the NMLB	

VISITORS:

Dr. Sam Smallidge (Presenter)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez moves to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Conniff seconds the motion. Motion passes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the December 12, 2019 Board Meeting presented. Secretary Conniff moves to approve the December 12, 2019, board meeting minutes with corrections noted. Board Member Casados seconds the motion. Motion passes with the agreed upon corrections to the minutes.

GUIDELINES ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Board Member Casados motions to accept the Guidelines on Public Participation with the correction noted. Board Member Longinaker seconds the motion. Motion passes.

PUBLIC LANDS MAPPING PROJECT:

Dr. Smallidge had not yet arrived to present the project. Chair Manzanares continued with the agenda until his arrival.

RATIFICATION OF ESTRAY:

Estray #045-8-12314: District 8 Brand Inspector Beth Mitchell addressed the board and provided the background to the estray. Ms. Keryte addressed the NM Livestock Board and presented a letter from Mr. John M. Romero, President of the Sedillo Cattle Association, Pueblo of Laguna, supporting the reimbursement of the proceeds from the sale of the calf to Ms. Keryte. Board Member Casados moves to refund the proceeds to the Kerytes. Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Board Member Torres – Y
Board Member Casados - Y
Vice Chair Dolan - N
Board Member Longinaker - Y

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez - Y
Board Member McGinley-Switzer - Y
Secretary Conniff - Y

Motion passes.

SET MINIMUM FUND BALANCE:

Executive Director Garland presents information regarding the need to set a minimum fund balance. She requested that the board consider what information they need to support a specific fund balance at a certain level. Chair Manzanares would like more direction from the staff on how much should be in the fund and directed the agency to develop scenarios.

PUBLIC LANDS MAPPING PROJECT:

Chair Manzanares invited Dr. Smallidge to present to the board upon his arrival at the meeting. Dr. Smallidge presented his report "Spatial examination of New Mexico public lands as applied to the New Mexico Wild Horse Act (NMSA 77-18-5)."

The NM Livestock Board took a short break to have lunch and continue the meeting.

PROTOCOL OF MINUTES:

Executive Director Garland stated that in the future, the person making the vote should make a statement that they want the comments reflected in the minutes with their vote. No further action was necessary.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Chief Financial Officer Andrew Silva presented the 2019 Audit to the Board.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Shawn Davis, Deputy Director, presented an update to the board.

STATE VETERINARIAN'S REPORT:

State Veterinarian Ralph Zimmerman presented the State Veterinarian's report.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director Belinda Garland presented the Director's Report to the Board. We also have an attorney who is assisting on a part time temporary basis.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Vice Chair Dolan moves to go into closed Executive Session. Chair Manzanares seconds pursuant to 10-15-1 (H) (7) and (2) to go into executive session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Board Member Torres – Y
Board Member Casados - Y
Vice Chair Dolan - Y
Board Member Longinaker - Y
Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez - Y

Motion passes. The NM Livestock Board goes into closed Executive Session.

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Member Casados moves to return to general session noting that nothing was discussed in closed Executive Session except what was listed on the motion to close and no action was taken. Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Board Member Casados – Y
Vice Chair Dolan – Y
Secretary Conniff - Y
Board Member - Y

Motion passes. The NM Livestock Board returns from Executive Session.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

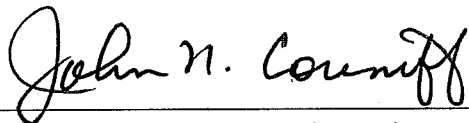
Executive Director Garland reminds the board that they received an email as public comment. No further public comment.

BOARD CONCERNS:

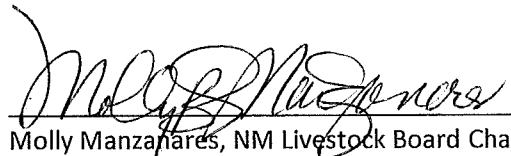
Next meeting at Cattle Growers meeting on June 9, 2020 in Ruidoso. The meeting after is the second Thursday of the month on September 10, 2020.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:



John N. Conniff, NM Livestock Board Secretary



Molly Manzanares, NM Livestock Board Chair