

**NEVADA RANGELAND RESOURCES COMMISSION
WINNEMUCCA, NEVADA
NOVEMBER 11, 2008**

DRAFT MINUTES

Roll Call: Preston Wright, Hank Vogler, Tim DeLong, Bert Paris, Rama Paris, Dave Stix, Carl Slagowski, and Rachel Buzzetti.

Members Absent: Hank Combs and Mary Woodworth

Minutes: The members had several corrections to the minutes. Buzzetti made the appropriate changes. **CARL SLAGOWSKI MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS AMENDED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED AND PASSED.**

Financial Update: Buzzetti presented the financial information and total receipts since July of 2008 were \$159,741.70. Total obligations equaled \$53,580.62 leaving a balance of \$106,161.08. Preston Wright requested that the line item stating Nevada Cattlemen's Association be changed to Sustainable Grazing Coalition. After discussion they decided not to change it. **PRESTON WRIGHT MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED. RAMA PARIS SECONDED THE MOTION.**

Chairman Vogler requested that we review and discuss the billing later in the meeting.

CURRENT PROJECTS UPDATE:

- Sustainable Grazing Coalition's Rick Orr handed out the document he had completed on the Virginia Range Wild Horses. He described his work on the paper and stated it was done to provide recommendations. Orr also stated that he only sees as many permit renewals as are sent to him and he has spent a lot time on getting on each of the BLM districts mailing lists and for the appropriate issues. He has to be very specific as an interested party with all the Districts. He has received 4 permittee requests to look at their allotments. Lastly, he is collecting a lot of information on post-fire information and updating a paper that John Balliete started.
- Dennis Golden reported on six of his performances and that one had been cancelled. He said they would re-schedule and explained a few new programs that were up and coming. The commission approved of his new programs.
- Buzzetti reported that we still had a lot of brochures and the commission instructed Buzzetti to buy more brochures as needed. Golden stated he would like some more brochures.
- No Ag in the Classroom presentation was given.

Presentation by Nevada Cattlemen's Assoc.: Preston Wright stated that he would like to come before the Commission at the next meeting when considering proposals and ask for approximately \$10,000 to assist in a Public Relations campaign for public lands.

Website Manager: The Commission discussed the fact that the website needed to be updated. The Commission discussed whether a grant was needed or if Buzzetti could sub-contract the task out. Slagowski stated that he didn't think money should be spent on the website because after all the commission is operating from year to year due to the sunset provision. Others expressed that it should be a priority for the commission and get it updated. Comments from the audience included the fact that UNR has a grazing reference library online now and would probably be glad to post Rick Orr's issue papers there. The Commission agreed that they would prefer the papers be put on the NRRC website. It was decided that no action was required because the website is administrative.

Permittee List: Buzzetti had mailed all the commission members a list of the permittees prior to the meeting; therefore there were a lot of questions about the list. Some had combed through the whole list and gave Buzzetti their changes. It was suggested that each BLM district office be contacted to get their list, which would have the number of AUMS for each permittee. Buzzetti explained her efforts to import the data, however the data included more information than necessary, so it was very difficult to sort through. It was agreed that the bills should always go to the base property owners not the lessee. It was also agreed not to send the second billing to permittees whose bills were less than \$10. Buzzetti will attempt again to get the updated data from each district office.

Public Comment: There was none.

Next Meeting Date: Hank Vogler asked for a meeting date at the end of February. **THE MOTION WAS MADE BY TIM DELONG TO MEET IN ELKO ON FEBRUARY 20TH AT 1:00 P.M. BERT PARIS SECONDED THE MOTION.**

CARL SLAGOWSKI MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

Approved by:

Submitted by:

Hank Vogler, Chairman

Rachel Buzzetti, Secretary