

Montana Board of Livestock

Meeting Minutes

(This Meeting was Open to the Public By ZOOM)
June 13, 2025

This meeting was live-streamed from the Montana Department of Livestock, Scott Hart Building, Helena, Montana

Board Members Present

Gene Curry (cattle producer)
Alan Redfield (cattle producer)
Greg Wichman (sheep producer)
(William Kleinsasser was not present)

Lily Anderson (dairy & poultry)
Jake Feddes (cattle producer)
Eric Moore (cattle producer)

Staff Present

Donna Wilham
Jay Bodner, Brands Enforcement
Kim Dallas, Brands Enforcement
Rick Corder, Centralized Services
Brendan Boots, Centralized Services

Lindsey Simon, Legal Counsel Dr. Tahnee Szymanski, MT State Vet

Public Present

Bill Hannah, Headwaters Livestock Hannah Feaser, Headwaters Livestock Danielle

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

(0:11) **8:36 AM**

Chairman Gene Curry called the meeting to order at 8:36 AM, announcing that this meeting had been called to act on the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law and Notice of Opportunity for Judicial Review. He requested introductions of the BOL:

- Lily Andersen, Dairy & Poultry Representative, south of Livingston
- Jake Feddes, Cattle Representative, Manhattan
- Alan Redfield, Cattle Representative, Paradise Valley, south of Livingston
- Eric Moore, Cattle Representative, Miles City
- Greg Wichman, Sheep Representative, Hilger, north of Lewistown
- Gene Curry, Cattle Representative, Valier

OLD BUSINESS

(01:40) **8:38 AM**

FINAL ORDER DECISION FOR A REQUEST BY DILLON LIVESTOCK TO ADD MARKET SALE DAYS

(01:40) 8:38 AM

Lindsay Simon, Agency Legal Counsel, reviewed with the BOL the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Notice of Opportunity for Judicial Review Draft she had put together after the May 28, 2025 BOL Meeting Deliberations:

 After discussion and making minor changes in the draft, the BOL members made a decision

MOTION/VOTE

(24:07) 9:00 AM

Alan Redfield moved to adopt the draft, as amended, and presented by Lindsay Simon, DOL Legal Counsel, denying the request by Dillon Livestock Auction Market for additional sale days. Eric Moore seconded. The motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(26:00) 9:02 AM

Gene Curry called for public comment, explaining that there would be no comment accepted on the decision that was just made, as it was done and over with, but would accept comments on anything else that needed the BOL's attention:

• There were no comments from the public, but there was a short discussion by the BOL about the water situation and weather situation in their areas

Gene Curry, Chairman

MEETING ADJOURNED

(31:15) **9:08 AM**