

MINUTES

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, May 15th, 2017, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp. Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB.

PRESENT: E. Iversen; Chairman (joined the meeting at 9:36 a.m.)
B. Rodger; Vice Chairman
Councillor D. Milne
Councillor K. Heck
Councillor J. Sayer
B. Buschert
S. LaBrie

ABSENT: Nil.

IN ATTENDANCE: J. Fulton, Manager Agricultural Services
C. Chrenek, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
C. Verpy, Agricultural Coordinator
L. Grattidge, Sustainable Agricultural Specialist
D. Lemus, Administrative Support

CALL TO ORDER: B. Rodger, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

AGENDA Moved by Councillor Sayer
ASB17-033 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of May 15th, 2017.

Carried.

MINUTES Moved by S. LaBrie
ASB17-034 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of April 10th, 2017.

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES Nil.

OLD BUSINESS
2017 Agricultural
Related Project
Grant Submissions

J. Fulton provided an overview to the Board of late application for 2017 Agricultural Related Project Grant Submissions:

Sundre Rodeo & Race Association	Total Project
Manufacture and install frame and cover for wheel chair access and seating area.	Cost Estimate
	\$9,390.47

Moved by Councillor Heck
ASB17-035 That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Sundre Rodeo & Race Association for \$4,695.24 for the Agricultural Grant Funding for 2017.

Carried.

Alternative Land
Use Services
(ALUS)

L. Grattidge provided a short overview of the Alternative Land Use Services (ALUS) Program.

DELEGATION
Christine Campbell

B. Rodger, Vice Chair, welcomed Christine Campbell, ALUS Canada, Western Hub Manager to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of May 15th, 2017.

Christine Campbell gave a presentation to the Board about the following points:

- Christine back from mat leave
- ALUS Canada hired Howie Bjorge
- Hired professional help (Brad Levign)
- New Program Coordinator for Northern Sunrise County, Becky Devaleriola
- ALUS charitable status
- Minister of Environment and Parks on December 7
- Minor change to ALUS logo
- Topic Ideas for Field Conference / Special Events

L. Grattidge provided an overview of the ALUS Project located E-03-34-03-W5, SE-10-34-03-W5, SW-02-34-03-W5; 110 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$1,915.40.

E. Iversen, Chair, joined the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

L. Grattidge provided an overview of the ALUS Project located NE-13-33-06-W5; 80 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$9,070.75.

Moved by S. LaBrie
ASB17-036 That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding for the 2017 Mountain View County ALUS Projects located E-03-34-03-W5, SE-10-34-03-W5, SW-02-34-03-W5 as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$8,134.50 and NE-13-33-06-W5 as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$9,070.75.

Carried.

Riparian & Ecological
Enhancement Program
(REEP) Projects

L. Grattidge provided a short overview of the Riparian &

Ecological Enhancement Projects.

Project located NE-21-31-28-W4; 120 cow/calf operation. The project is for a watering system for the amount of \$843.75 and a fence line for the amount of \$1,125.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Project located SW-05-30-03-W5; 120 cow/calf operation. The project is for a watering system for the amount of \$600.00 and a fence line for the amount of \$750.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Moved by S. LaBrie blanket

ASB17-037 That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding for the 2017 Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Projects located at NE-21-31-28-W4 as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the total amount of \$1,968.75 and projects located at SW-05-30-03-W5 as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the total amount of \$1,350.

Carried.

Recess and Reconvene

B. Rodger, Vice Chair, recessed the meeting at 9:56 a.m. and reconvened at 10:01 a.m.

E. Iversen; Chair, assumed role of Chair for the remainder of the Agricultural Service Board meeting at 10:01 a.m.

T. Martens, J. Holmes, A. Malyk, T. Bayko, A. Roemmele, A. Olsen, O. Rodger, V. Lodermeier, M. Krieger, M. Bouchard, A. Wild, P. Thomas, J. Crozier, G. Cunningham joined the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

DELEGATION
Donna Trottier

E. Iversen, Chair, welcomed Donna Trottier, ASB Summer Tour Coordinator, Tatonga, Environmental Professional to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of May 15th, 2017.

Donna provided a short presentation covering the following points:

- Introduction
- Delegate Route
- Partner Route
- Youth Tour
- RDC Tours
- Tuesday night – Alumni Centre
- Wednesday night – Trades Building
- Thursday night – Ralph Klein Centre
- Wranglers and Hosts
- Youth tour Wranglers
- MVC Range Boss
- Wrangler outfits

T. Martens, J. Holmes, A. Malyk, T. Bayko, A. Roemmele, A. Olsen, O. Rodger, V. Lodermeier, M. Krieger, M. Bouchard, A. Wild, P. Thomas, J. Crozier, G. Cunningham left the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Alberta Beef Producers
2018 Environmental
Stewardship Award

L. Grattidge provided an update on the ABP Environmental Stewardship Award 2018 and gave a short summary.

Moved by B. Rodger

ASB17-038 That the Agricultural Service Board nominate the Walton Family for the Alberta Beef Producers 2018 Environmental Stewardship Award.

Carried.

DELEGATION

Grant Lastiwka

E. Iversen, Chair, welcomed Grant Lastiwka, Livestock/Forage business Specialist for Alberta Agriculture and Forestry to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of May 15th, 2017.

Grant Lastiwka gave a presentation to the Board about the following points:

- 5 Year Precipitation Accumulations Statistics
- Black Soil Zone (2015)
- Multi-Year Economic, Productive & Financial Performance of Alberta Cow/Calf Operations. (2011-2015)

INFORMATION ITEMS

Seed Plant Updates

Nil.

Upcoming Workshops

L. Grattidge provided an update on the upcoming and past workshops:

- Advanced Fencing had 30 attendees
- July 18 or 19 forage trial in the county with Foothills Forage Grazing Association – More information TBD
- *Perennial Forages Trial* – Hosted by Foothills Forage & Grazing Association - More information TBD

Alberta Open Farm Days

L. Grattidge provided an overview on the received letter and updated the board noting that Alberta Open Farm Days are still accepting farms until the end of May. There were 92 farms that participated last year. This year's Open Farm days will take place on the weekend of August 19-20, 2017.

Alberta's Agricultural
Service Boards

J. Fulton provided an overview on the ASB fact sheet. If the Board wishes to give some input they are welcome to make a submission.

Haskayne School of
Business Biodegradable
Netwrap Trial

L. Grattidge provided an overview to the Board and presented a short video. The Board asked to keep them updated on results.

Cremona Community
Engagement Site
Agri-business Day Update

L. Grattidge provided a letter received from the Cremona Community Engagement Site and updated the Board on their final budget from the Agri-business Day workshop totaling at (\$1,357.50) which will be covered with the funding allocated at the March 20th Agricultural Service Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS
2018 Farm Family
Award Request

J. Fulton gave a short summary regarding the 2018 Farm Family Award Request to the Board.

IN CAMERA

Moved by B. Rodger
ASB17-039 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of May 15th, 2017 go into closed meeting at 11:35 a.m.
Carried.

Moved by S. LaBrie
ASB17-040 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of May 15th, 2017 return to the open meeting at 11:38 a.m.
Carried.

The Board recommended administration notify the Farm Family of the approved request.

NEXT MEETING DATE

June 19th, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by B. Rodger
ASB17-041 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of May 15th, 2017 be adjourned at 11:46 a.m.
Carried.

Vice Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Manager, Agricultural Services