

MINUTES

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, June 20, 2016, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp. Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB

PRESENT: E. Iversen; Chair
B. Rodger; Vice Chair
Councillor K. Heck
Councillor D. Milne
Councillor J. Sayer
B. Buschert; Member-At-Large
G. Cunningham; Member-At-Large

ABSENT:

IN ATTENDANCE: Jane Fulton, Manager Agricultural Services
Chris Chrenek, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
Lorelee Grattidge, Sustainable Agricultural Specialist
Daniela Lemus, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: Chair E. Iversen, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA J. Fulton advised of the following amendments to the agenda:
3.2 DELEGATION Not attending
6.1 Information Items
d. Water Quality Recruitment Advert

Moved by B. Rodger
ASB16-027 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of June 20, 2016 as amended.
Carried.

MINUTES Moved by Councillor D. Milne
ASB16-028 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board of April 18, 2016.
Carried.

OLD BUSINESS
Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Program
Lorelee Grattidge provided the Board an overview of the 2016 Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Program (REEP) funding applications received:

The ASB approved an increase of \$974.54 for the project located NE-06-32-05-W5 Little Red Deer River Watershed (previously approved at the April 18, 2016 meeting); as outlined in the project spreadsheet. The revised project is 2600m of fence, for the total amount of \$ 1535.63

Project located NE-12-32-04-W5; 20 cow/calf operation. The project is 110m of fencing around a dugout and a watering system as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$1698.13

Project located NE-18-32-03-W5; 20 cow/calf operation. The project is for a watering system. As outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$1473.13

Project located NE-02-33-06-W5 James River Watershed; 50 cow/calf operation. The project is for a watering system, as outlined in the project spreadsheet. For the amount of \$1139.75

Project for watering system located NW-26-33-03-W5 Little Red Deer River Watershed as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$1710.00

Moved by B. Rodger

ASB16-029 That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding for the 2016 Mountain View County (MVC) Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Projects as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$6995.55.

Carried.

DELEGATION
ALUS Canada

Chair E. Iversen welcomed Christine Campbell, ALUS Canada, Western Hub Manager to the Agricultural Service Board meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Ms. Campbell provided a brief update on ALUS Canada and ALUS Alberta Network:

Since ALUS separated from Delta Water Fowl, ALUS has become its own independent organization. The new logo was introduced to the Board. There will be a launch event in Parkland County on July 28, 2016 and invited the Board attend. ALUS Canada was honoured at the 25th annual Alberta Emerald Foundation Awards gala, held at Telus Spark in Calgary on June 8, 2016, as the winner of the 2016 Shared Footprints Award.

OLD BUSINESS
ALUS Projects

Lorelee Grattidge provided an overview of the ALUS Project located NW-31-30-05-W5, NE-11-32-03-W5.

Moved by Councillor D. Milne
 ASB16-030 That the Agricultural Service Board defer the decision on the ALUS project on the NW-31-30-05-W5 until after the subdivision decision is made.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor D. Milne
 ASB16-031 That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding for the 2016 Mountain View County (MVC) ALUS Project located NE-11-32-03-W5 as outlined in the project spreadsheet for the amount of \$6,077.50

Carried.

Recess and Reconvene Chair E. Iversen recessed the meeting at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:44 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

2015 Agriculture Service Board Grant Reporting

Jane Fulton provided an overview of the Agricultural Service Board Year End Financials.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Seed Plant Updates

B. Buschert provided an update; Mountain View Seed Cleaning Plant had a record year with 430,000 bushels as of April, compared to an average of 347,000 bushels.

Growing Forward

Lorelee Grattidge gave an update regarding the On-Farm Stewardship, On-Farm Water Management Program and briefly brought up other programs of interest. Growing Forward 2 ends March 31st, 2018 and they will likely stop taking applications as of the summer of 2017 to allow those existing projects to wrap up. The focus of Growing Forward 3 will be social licence and greenhouse gas reduction with the possibility of expanding the Ag Plastics program.

ASB Summer Tour

Councillor D. Milne provided an update on the upcoming Provincial Agricultural Service Board Summer Tour in 2017. Red Deer County has approached a coordinator they have used for organization their annual Summer Tour.

Upcoming Workshops

Lorelee Grattidge provided an update on previous and upcoming workshops.

Past Workshops

- Shelterbelt Renovation - 25 attendees.

Upcoming

- Soil Health: The Bottom Lines with Nicole Masters on June 24, 2016 - 70 registered

Water Quality

Recruitment Advert

Jane Fulton provided some information water quality recruitment advert regarding a well water research study

approved by the University of Calgary Conjoint Faculties
Research Ethics Board.

Jane Fulton discussed potential weed issues with the
abandoned wells.

NEXT MEETING DATE July 12, 2016

ADJOURNMENT Moved by B. Rodger
ASB16-032 That the Agricultural Service Board meeting of June 20, 2016
be adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

Carried.



Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.



Manager, Agricultural Services