

MINUTES

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, December 12, 2016, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB

PRESENT: E. Iversen; Chairman
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
L. Grattidge, Sustainable Agricultural Specialist
D. Lemus, Administrative Support

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

AGENDA Moved by Councillor Milne
ASB16-083 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of December 12, 2016.
Carried.

MINUTES Moved by B. Rodger
ASB16-084 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of November 21, 2016.
Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES Nil

OLD BUSINESS
2017-2019 ASB Grant J. Fulton provided an overview of the ASB Grant to the Board and introduced the new proposed goal for the grant application.

Draft AAMDC Municipal Agriculture Disaster Declaration Guide J. Fulton provided a short introduction on the draft municipal agriculture disaster declaration guide to the Board.

Moved by E. Iversen

ASB16-085 That the Agricultural Service Board review the draft AAMDC Municipal Agriculture Disaster Declaration Guide and provide any comments or necessary changes.

Carried.

Recess and Reconvene

E. Iversen, Chair, recessed the meeting at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:10 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 December 12, 2016.

INFORMATION ITEMS

2017 ASB Summer

Tour Update

Donna Trottier gave a short presentation to the Board regarding the Provincial ASB Summer tour updates:

- Accommodation Options
- Tuesday Optional Events
- Tuesday Welcoming Reception
- Wednesday Night Mixer
- Thursday Night Banquet
- Registration Fees
- Sponsorship Levels
- Volunteers
- 2017 ASB Conference – Registration
- Shirts for the Board

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 December 12, 2016.

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

- Crop report
- Science on cover crops
- “Soil Health” Conference December 5th - 7th 2017 at the Radisson Hotel in Edmonton
- “Holistic Management” Conference Feb 17th -19th 2017 in Lacombe together with “Organic Alberta”
- Year Round Grazing videos have had over 23,000 views since their release in March.

NEW BUSINESS

ASB Meeting Dates J. Fulton reviewed the 2017 ASB meeting dates and times calendar with the Board.

Moved by E. Iversen
ASB16-086 That the Agricultural Service Board receive for information the scheduled Agricultural Service Board meeting dates in 2017.

Carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Seed Plant Updates No updates were provided.

Upcoming Workshops L. Grattidge provided an update on the previous and upcoming workshops:

- Working Well Workshop - November 22nd 2016 - 35 attendees registered
- West Country Cattle Handling Systems - November 30th 2016 - 36 attendees registered
- Ladies Livestock Lessons (LLL) - January 28th 2017
- Ranching Opportunities (RO) - February 9th 2017
- Living in the Natural Environment - hosted by M.D. of Bighorn - February 3rd 2017
- Transition Planning Workshop for Farm and Ranch Families - hosted by Alberta Agriculture - January 10th and February 7th 2017

IN CAMERA
2017 BMO Farm
Family Award

Moved by Councillor Milne
ASB16-088 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of December 12, 2016 go into closed meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Carried.

Moved by B. Rodger
ASB16-089 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of December 12, 2016 return to the open meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Carried.

B. Rodger, Vice Chair, left the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE January 16, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT Moved by Councillor Milne
ASB16-090 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of December 12, 2016 be adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Manager, Agricultural Services