

MINUTES

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, July 16, 2018, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp. Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB.

PRESENT: B. Rodger; Chairman
Councillor P. Johnson
B. Buschert, Vice Chairman
S. LaBrie
T. Jackson

ABSENT: Councillor D. Milne
Councillor D. Fulton
C. Chrenek, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
C. Verpy, Agricultural Coordinator
T. Bayko, Agricultural Field Operator

IN ATTENDANCE: J. Fulton, Assistant Director of Legislative, Community and Agricultural Services
L. Grattidge, Sustainable Agricultural Specialist
D. Archer, Administrative Support

CALL TO ORDER: B. Rodger, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

J. Fulton advised of the following amendments to the agenda:
7.1 h. Bird's-foot Trefoil
7.1 i. ASB Summer Tour Summary
7.1 j. BMO Farm Family Award Event Summary

AGENDA Moved by B. Buschert
ASB18-081 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of June 18, 2018.

Carried.

MINUTES Moved by S. LaBrie
ASB18-082 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of July 16, 2018.

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES Nil.

DELEGATION
Christine Campbell B. Rodger, Chair, welcomed Christine Campbell, Western Hub Manager for Alternative Land Use Services, to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of July 16, 2018.

Christine Campbell gave a short summary where she covered ALUS administrative updates and reminders.

OLD BUSINESS
Alternative Land
Use Services
(ALUS)

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

L. Grattidge provided an overview of the ALUS Project located SW 28-30-03-W5, 40 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line as outlined in the project spreadsheet in the amount of \$1,634.60.

L. Grattidge provided an overview of the ALUS Project located SE 19-31-05-W5. The project is for a fence line and watering system as outlined in the project spreadsheet in the amount of \$9,794.75.

Moved by S. LaBrie

ASB18-083 That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding for the 2018 Mountain View County ALUS Projects located SW 28-30-03-W5, SE 19-31-05-W5 in the amount of \$17,057.90 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Carried.

Riparian & Ecological
Enhancement Program
(REEP) Projects

L. Grattidge provided a short overview of the Riparian & Ecological Enhancement Projects.

Project located NW 12-29-03-W5; 35 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line and watering system in the amount of \$2,625.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Moved by B. Buschert

ASB18-084 That the Agricultural Service Board defer the decision for funding for the 2018 Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Project located at NW 12-29-03-W5 as outlined in the project spreadsheet in the amount of \$2,625.00 until further information is gathered regarding the location and water capacity of the site.

Carried.

Project located SW 20-31-04-W5; 35 cow/calf operation. The project is for a watering system in the amount of \$1,850.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

The Board recommended that this watering system not be permanent as it is on rented land and suggested that the same watering system can be used on the project located at NW 12-29-03-W5 if a watering site is developed there.

Moved by T. Jackson

ASB18-085 That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding for the 2018 Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Project located at SW 20-31-04-W5 as outlined in the project spreadsheet in the amount of \$1,850.00 with the condition that it will not be a permanent watering system (portable).

Carried.

Recess and Reconvene

B. Rodger, Chair, recessed the meeting at 10:20 a.m. and reconvened at 10:26 a.m.

DELEGATION

Christofer Atchison

B. Rodger, Chair, welcomed Christofer Atchison, Director of Legislative, Community and Agricultural Services of Mountain View County, to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of July 16, 2018.

Christofer Atchison gave a presentation on items 7.1 d & 7.1 e, where he covered the following points:

- Mountain View County Strategic Plan 2018-2021
- Public Participation Policy No. 1030
 - Principles
 - Policy Implications
 - Public Engagement Standards

INFORMATION ITEMS

Seed Plant Updates

No updates were provided.

Upcoming Workshops

L. Grattidge provided the following information regarding upcoming and past workshops:

- Biodiversity Workshop was well attended on June 23rd, 2018. It promoted ALUS well.
- Forage to Beef on July 11th had 50 people in attendance.
- Riparian Management Course July 23-24 at the Bergen community hall. Registrations are still open
- Dinner Party at the Wetlands on August 15th, 2018.

Open Farm Days
Reconnect Tour

J. Fulton provided an update regarding the Open Farm Days Reconnect Tour. The posters used for marketing were presented to the Board and a summary of the volunteers and their tasks was reviewed.

Farm and Ranch Tech
Briefing & Modernized
Rules Increase Farm

Worker Protection

J. Fulton provided a short summary to the Board regarding the Occupational Health and Safety Requirements like specifications and certifications; cranes, hoists and lifting devices; entrances, walkways, stairways and ladders; fall protection; noise exposure; powered mobile equipment; toilets and washing facilities; health care industries with biological hazards.

The Board suggested that small classroom sessions be held. Administration will investigate the best options for information sessions and bring it back to the Board next meeting.

Health Canada Review
of the 2% Liquid Strychnine
Concentrate Registration

J. Fulton provided a short summary to the Board regarding the re-evaluation decision with Strychnine and Its Associated End-use Products (Ground Squirrel Use). She informed the Board that the “public, including registrants and stakeholders are encouraged to submit comments during the 90-day public consultation period upon publication of the proposed re-evaluation decision” as per the document referenced in the agenda.

Bird’s-foot Trefoil

Councillor Johnson informed the Board of the establishment of the Bird’s-foot Trefoil on the west side of the County. She presented a few pictures and asked the Board for discussion on the matter.

ASB Summer Tour
Update

T. Jackson gave the Board a short summary on the 2018 ASB Summer Tour and some of the different sites that were visited. T. Jackson noted the great representation Councillor Kemmere offers in his role as a Mountain View County Councillor and as President of the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) during events like the ASB Summer Tours.

BMO Farm Family
Event Summary

B. Rodger and B. Buschert gave a short recap of the event at the 2018 Calgary Stampede.

NEXT MEETING DATE August 20th, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT ASB18-086 Moved S. LaBrie
That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of July 16, 2018
be adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Assistant Director of Legislative, Community
and Agricultural Services