

MINUTES

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, March 19, 2018, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp. Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB.

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

ABSENT: Nil.

IN ATTENDANCE: C. Atchison, Director of Legislative, Community and Agricultural Services
J. Fulton, Assistant Director of Legislative, Community and 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, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:59 a.m.

Councillor Johnson advised of the following additions to the agenda:
6.7 Bylaw 08/18

AGENDA Moved by B. Buschert
ASB18-007 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of March 19th, 2018.
Carried.

MINUTES Moved by S. LaBrie
ASB18-008 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of January 8th, 2018.
Carried.

DELEGATION
Christine Campbell B. Rodger, Chair, welcomed Christine Campbell, ALUS Canada, Western Hub Manager, to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of March 19, 2018.

Christine Campbell gave a presentation where she covered the following points:

- Ecosystem Services
- Growing ALUS Canada 2018-2021. Projections to March 31, 2018.
- 21 community programs in five provinces: Alberta 10, Saskatchewan 2, Manitoba 1, Ontario 7, Quebec 1.
- Acres of Enhanced Ecosystem Services 2017. Alberta 2507 acres, Mountain View County 351 acres.

NEW BUSINESS
Alternative Land
Use Services
(ALUS)

L. Grattidge provided a short overview of the Alternative Land Use Services (ALUS) Program. Mountain View County was successful in receiving \$52,000 from the W. Garfield Weston Foundation. Weston funds are quite flexible and can be used for project costs, annual payments, renewals and administrative costs.

L. Grattidge provided an overview of the ALUS Project located SE 25-32-06-W5, 48 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line and a watering system as outlined in the project spreadsheet in the amount of \$2,592.00.

Moved by S. LaBrie

ASB18-009 That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding for the 2018 Mountain View County ALUS Project located SE 25-32-06-W5 in the amount of \$2,592.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING
OUT OF THE MINUTES

J. Fulton provided a short summary of the ASB Provincial Conference.

Riparian & Ecological
Enhancement Program
(REEP) Projects

L. Grattidge provided a short overview of the Riparian & Ecological Enhancement Projects. An application was submitted to the ACA grant asking for \$25,000. Feedback regarding the grant approval will be received by the end of March. for the ACA grant. The creek crossing project will be brought up again, some additional information has been added as of last fall.

The following projects are being carried over from last year.

Project located SE-29-29-04-W5; 200 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line in the amount of \$1,631.25 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Project located S-18-31-27-W4; 350 cow operation. The project is for a fence line and watering system in the amount of \$750.00 and \$2,250.00 respectively as outlined in the project spreadsheet. As well as project located SE-18-31-27-W4. The project is for a fence line in the amount of \$750.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Project located NW 15-30-01-W5; 75 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line, creek crossing, and a watering system in the amount of \$1,500.00, \$1,725.00, \$1,500.00 respectively as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Project located SE-13-29-04-W5; 30 cow/calf operation. The project is for a creek crossing in the amount of \$5,000.00 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Project located NW-06-32-05-W5; 15 cow/calf operation. The project is for a fence line and creek crossing in the amount of \$637.50 and \$382.50 respectively as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Project located SW-13-33-06-W5; 200 cow/calf operation. The project is for a watering system in the amount of \$4,173.25 as outlined in the project spreadsheet.

Moved by S. LaBrie

ASB18-010 That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding the above-mentioned projects in full for the 2018 Riparian and Ecological Enhancement Project as outlined in the project spreadsheet in the total amount of \$20,299.50.

Carried.

Recess and Reconvene

B. Rodger, Chair, recessed the meeting at 10:16 a.m. and reconvened at 10:26 a.m.

2018 Provincial ASB Summer Tour

J. Fulton went over some details regarding the 2018 Provincial ASB Summer Tour with the Board. The tour website and video were presented to the Board.

Agricultural Related Project Grant Application Review

J. Fulton provided an overview to the Board of the various applications for 2018 Agricultural Related Project Grant Submissions:

Organization	Funding Request
Bergen Institute for Agriculture and the Arts	\$1,760.00
Canada Richest Youth Committee (CYR)	\$750.00
Cremona Community Engagement Site	\$932.00
Cremona FCSS	\$1,000.00

Didsbury Agricultural Society	\$12,560.41
Mountain View 4H District Heifer Committee	Any
Mountain View Sr. Pro Rodeo	Any
Olds Regional Exhibition	\$10,000.00
Southern Alberta Angus Club	\$500.00
Sundre 4H Multi Club	\$250.00
West Carstairs 4-H Beef	\$1,645.00
Carstairs & District 4H Show & Sale	\$500.00
Total	\$29,897.41

Moved by Councillor Milne

ASB18-011 That the Agricultural Service Board approve \$19,942.00 in total, of funding to the 2018 Agricultural Related Grant to the recipients as follows:

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Bergen Institute for Agriculture and the Arts for \$1,760.00 as per their grant application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Canada Richest Youth Committee (CYR) for \$750.00 as per their grant application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Cremona Community Engagement Site for \$932.00 as per their grant application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding the Didsbury Agricultural Society for \$5,000 towards their as per their application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Mountain View 4H District Heifer Committee for \$250.00 as per their application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Olds Regional Exhibition for \$10,000 as per their grant application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Southern Alberta Angus Club for \$500.00 as per their grant application.

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Sundre 4H Multi Club for \$250.00 as per their application

That the Agricultural Service Board approve funding Carstairs & District 4-H Show & Sale for \$500.00 as per their application.

Carried.

DELEGATION
Grant Lastiwka

B. Rodger, Chair, welcomed Grant Lastiwka, Livestock / Forage Business Specialist for Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, to the Agricultural Service Board meeting of March 19, 2018.

Grant Lastiwka gave a presentation where he covered the following points:

- High Legume Pastures
- AAC Mountainview Sainfoin
- Forages for Soil Health
- Practical Applications of Forage Rejuvenation
- Economic Benefits of High Legume Pastures

ASB Sponsorship of
FarmTech

P. Johnson brought forward a community request to sponsor part of the cost of a young farmer's registration from the community of Mountain View County to attend the FarmTech conference. J. Fulton informed the Board about UFA's established sponsorship on this matter. C. Verpy contacted UFA and was provided with information regarding UFA's selection process and criteria.

J. Fulton will develop a 2019 project sheet for the proposed request budgeting it under the youth and leadership stream, administration will also develop an application form and criteria.

Annual Clubroot Policy
And Procedure Review

J. Fulton informed the Board that there is no recommended changes to the policy and procedure this year. On February 26th, 2018 the County and Central Mountainview Advisory Group (CMAG) hosted a Clubroot workshop with 25 attendees. J. Fulton gave an overview of the feedback received from attendees.

Bylaw 08/18

P. Johnson mentioned the article in the Gazette mentioning the proposed ammendments to Municipal Development Plan and Environmentally Significant Areas. The public hearing date will be sent to the Agricultural Service Board members for their information.

INFORMATION ITEMS
Seed Plant Updates

B. Buschert gave a short summary where he informed the Board that at the end of February the plant was at 244,000 bushels cleaned which is about 66,000 more than previous years. The seed cleaning plant board went to a conference focused on safety protocols and procedures they can implement.

D. Milne provided an update informing the Board that the plant has cleaned just short of 400,000 bushels. There has been

some complications around the installation of the color sorter but are working towards a resolution.

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| Upcoming Workshops | <p>L. Grattidge provided the following information regarding upcoming workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working Well had 45 attendees at Hainstock Hall • Septic Sense is closing registrations today with 10 sports still available. Held at the Mountain View Community Hall. |
| 2018 Farm Safety Centre | <p>J. Fulton informed the Board that \$4,200 was paid to the Farm Safety Centre as part of our annual budget. The 2017 Safety Smarts chart was reviewed with the number of schools that were reached that year.</p> |
| Agricultural Hall of Fame | <p>J. Fulton mentioned past nominees and reminded the deadline is April 30th.</p> |
| Olds College Wetlands Event | <p>L. Grattidge informed the Board that this event was held 2 years ago where a meal was served at the wetlands, tours and booths were available. This year the date set is August 15th, 2018. The Olds College is seeking partnership with the County. The budget is still in the planning stages so a dollar figure has not been determined for support from MVC. The Board asked administration to forward this to Council once a formal funding or speaking request has been received.</p> |
| Energy Workshop | <p>L. Grattidge received a request from Rocky View County to partner with Kneehill County and Wheatland County at Beiseker Hall for an energy workshop on May 10, 2018. Mountain View County hosted a similar workshop at Eagle Hill focused on setting up solar systems and energy programs available.</p> <p>The Board asked administration to host another energy workshop in Mountain View County instead of partnering due to the interest of residents at previous events.</p> |
| WRRP Grant | <p>The Watershed Resiliency Restoration Program has been used in the past for our Riparian or other watershed type programs. We have been approached to partner with Wheatland County and possibly Rocky View County. Participation would be for the Rosebud watershed.</p> <p>The Board prefers administration to do an initiative focused in Mountain View County that fits within our existing programs. Administration welcomes any input from the Board for watershed enhancement projects.</p> |
| NEXT MEETING DATE | <p>May 7th, 2018.</p> |
| ADJOURNMENT | <p>Moved by S. LaBrie</p> |

ADOPTED

ASB18-012 That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting of January 8, 2018
be adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Assistant Director of Legislative, Community
and Agricultural Services.