

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING
Mountain View County

Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, September 20, 2010, in the Council Chambers, 1408 Twp Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB.

PRESENT: Chair Bruce Beattie
Councillor Everett Page
Councillor Gerald Ingeveld
Councillor Lana Yakimchuk
Member Bill Sheehan
Member Arnold Lachman
Member John Overwater

IN ATTENDANCE: Steve McInnis, Director, Operational Services
Jeff Holmes, Manager, Agricultural & Parks Services
Jane Fulton, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
Edie Saunders, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: Chair, Bruce Beattie called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

AGENDA: Moved by John Overwater
ASB10-094 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda for the September 20, 2010 Agricultural Service Board meeting, with the following amendment to add
- Update on Farm Show under
OLD BUSINESS as (4.4) and

- Weed Control Strategy / New Business Plan under
NEW BUSINESS as (5.4)

Carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: Moved by Arnold Lachman
ASB10-095 That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the minutes as amended for the August 16, 2010 Agricultural Service Board meeting.

Carried.

DELEGATION:

Grant Lastiwka
Alberta Agriculture
Liaison

Grant Lastiwka joined the meeting at 11:20am

He provided information on

- Crops and feed quality
- Nitrate levels in feed
- Dupont & Dow Chemicals Tour
- Wintering sites workshops in Saskatchewan
- Western Canadian Grazing Conference on December 1 & 2
- Western Canadian Holistic Management Conference in Lloyminster on February 14 & 15

Grant Lastiwka left the meeting at 11:55am.

OLD BUSINESS

Farm Safety
Support Request

ASB10-096 Moved by Arnold Lachman

That the Agricultural Service Board continues to support farm safety programs by providing them with manpower and in-kind support, and request a full budget from the Alberta Farm Safety center.

Carried.

Direct Farm
Marketing

ASB10-097 Moved by Lana Yakimchuk

That the Agricultural Service Board receive the Direct Farm Support Marketing Report (4.2) as information.

Carried.

Biological
Insect
Program

ASB10-098 Moved by John Overwater

That the Agricultural Service Board accept the report as presented.

Carried.

Farm
Show
Update

ASB10-099 Moved by John Overwater

That the Agricultural Service Board accept the report as information.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Riparian
Project
Applications

ASB10-100 Moved by John Overwater

That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding of \$2,004.51 for the Riparian Enhancement Projects on NW 30-30-3 W5M, as outlined in the project evaluation summary spreadsheet.

Carried.

ASB10-101 Moved by Lana Yakimchuk
That the Agricultural Service Board request that pasture management practices be included in the decision making information when funding applications are received.
Carried.

ASB10-102 Moved by Everett Page
That the Agricultural Service Board request that Administration provide a copy of the Alberta Conservation Association requirements and rating evolution criteria at the next Agricultural Services Board meeting for review.
Carried.

ASB10-103 Moved by John Overwater
That the Agricultural Service Board approves funding of \$1,545.00 for the Riparian Enhancement Projects on NE 17-33-3 W5M, as outlined in the project evaluation summary spreadsheet.
Defeated.

ASB Grant Application ASB10-104 Moved by John Overwater
That the Agricultural Service Board accept the draft application for the revised Agricultural Service Board Grant.
Carried.

Beef Cattle Ration Balancing Workshop ASB10-105 Moved by Arnold Lachman
That the Agricultural Service Board partner with Olds College on a Beef Cattle Ration Balancing Workshop.
Carried.

INFORMATION/
DISCUSSION
ITEMS: ASB10-106 Moved by Lana Yakimchuk
That the Agricultural Service Board receive the following items as information.
Carried.

1. Seed Plant Updates
Mountain View Seed Cleaning Plant
- Bill Sheehan reported
 - That 380,000 bushels of seed were cleaned last year.
 - The Plant received an annual score of 98
 - They are looking into a color separating cleaner
 - A detailed financial report is available upon request

Olds Seed Cleaning Plant
- Arnold Lachman had no new information to report at this time.

2. Committee Application Forms
The application form is in the agenda package.
3. Monthly Expense Forms
There is a monthly expense form in the agenda package.
4. Aerial Application of Insecticides
 - There were some concerns expressed by ratepayers.
 - Any concerns can be forwarded to Alberta Environment.
5. Alberta Transportation Weed Control
 - Concerns were expressed about weeds on Alberta Transportation roads.
 - Weed control was reapplied by the subcontractor.
 - The County tries to keep Alberta Transportation's weed control programs consistent with the County's rotation to lessen reinfestation.

ADJOURNMENT:

ASB10-107 Moved by Bruce Beattie
That the Agricultural Service Board meeting of Monday,
September 20, 2010 be adjourned at 11:57am.

Carried.

Chair, Bruce Beattie

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Manager, Agricultural and Parks Services