

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WORSLEY, AB
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024**

PRESENT

David Janzen	Chairman
Jason Ruecker	Deputy Chair
Ron Jensen	Member
Garry Candy	Member
Julie Watchorn	Member
Baldur Ruecker	Member

ABSENT

ATTENDING

Greg Coon	Agricultural Fieldman
Allan Rowe	Chief Administrative Officer
Natasha Gillett	Community Services Clerk
Carter Clay	Agricultural Services Staff Member

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Janzen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

AG87-24(10/15/24)

RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Board adopts the agenda governing the October 15, 2024, Agricultural Service Board meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

MINUTES

Previous Meeting Minutes

Agricultural Service Board is presented with previous meeting minutes.

AG88-24(10/15/24)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Board adopts the minutes of the September 17, 2024, Agricultural Service Board Meeting. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Activity Report

The Board is presented with the Agricultural Service Board Activity Report.

AG89-24(10/15/24)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Board accepts the October 15, 2024, Agricultural Service Board Activity Report, as presented. CARRIED.

Board Reports

At this time the Board members will have an opportunity to present their reports on meetings attended and other agricultural related topics.

Deputy Chair Ruecker entered the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

AG90-24(10/15/24)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Board accepts the Agricultural Service Board members' verbal and written reports of October 15, 2024, for information. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

2024 Peace Region

ASB Conference	Machenzie County Agricultural Service Board is hosting the 2024 Peace Region Agricultural Service Board Conference at the La Crete Heritage Centre in the Hamlet of La Crete, AB on October 21, 2024.
AG91-24(10/15/24)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accepts for information the discussion regarding the 2024 Peace Regional Agricultural Service Board Conference, as presented. CARRIED.
Neighboring Municipalities Rental Equipment Agreement	The Board is presented with the neighboring municipalities that rental equipment agreement for clarification on the recommended maximum distance rental equipment may be transported without the use of a hauling trailer.
AG92-24(10/15/24)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker to recommend Council amend the rental equipment schedule of fees with the addition of a onetime fee of \$100.00 for specified pieces of rental equipment that will be charged if taken out of the Clear Hills County borders, as well as a clause stating non-County resident bookings will not be accepted prior to three (3) days before intended booking date. CARRIED.
Rental Equipment Review	The Board is presented with the rental equipment policy and rates for review. Additionally, Council has requested that the Board have a discussion regarding the rental guidelines for the Grain Bagger.
AG93-24(10/15/24)	RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to recommend Council decrease the Grain Bagger Agricultural rental rate to \$200.00 per day, with the addition of a clause stating that rent will be charged for every day rented opposed to every day used. CARRIED.
2025 Draft Budget	The Board is presented with the draft 2025 Agricultural Service Board budget for discussion.
AG94-24(10/15/24)	RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to accept the draft 2025 Agricultural Service Board budget, with the addition of \$5000.00 for extension services and research. CARRIED.
AG95-24(10/15/24)	RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn to direct administration to gather information on roadside brushing equipment and programs to achieve road right-of-way widening, and bring it back to the November 19, 2024 Agricultural Services Board meeting. CARRIED.
Events	The Board is presented with a list of upcoming agricultural related events for their information.
AG96-24(10/15/24)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the

Alberta Pulse Growers Zone 4 Fall Meeting on November 12, 2024 in Fairview, AB. CARRIED.

AG97-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Winter Grazing Tour on November 13, 2024 at Garth Shaw's in the M.D. of Fairview. CARRIED.

AG98-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Member Jensen to authorize Chairman Janzen to attend the V.S.I. Services (1980) LTD Annual General Meeting on November 15, 2024 at the Peace Valley Inn in Peace River, AB, with Member Watchorn as the alternate attendee. CARRIED.

AG99-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Member Jensen to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Winter Watering Tour on November 20, 2024 in Goodfare, AB. CARRIED.

AG100-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the PCBFA Annual General Meeting November 30, 2024 at the Chateau Nova Hotel in Peace River, AB. CARRIED.

AG101-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the PCBFA Harvest Supper October 25, 2024 at the Eureka River Hall. CARRIED.

REPORTS

Agricultural Fieldman Report

At this time the Agricultural Fieldman will have an opportunity to present his report.

AG102-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Board accepts the October 15, 2024, Agricultural Fieldman's Report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE

The Board is presented with correspondence for review.

AG103-24(10/15/24) RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the October 15, 2024, information and correspondence, as presented. CARRIED.

ROUND TABLE:

Members had a chance to have a round table discussion regarding topics of interest.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Janzen adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

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