

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, Worsley, Alberta
June 13, 2016**

PRESENT

Brian Harcourt	Chair
Garry Candy	Member
Charlie Johnson	Council Representative
MacKay Ross	Member
Baldur Ruecker	Deputy Chair

IN ATTENDANCE

Audrey Bjorklund	Community Development Manager
Sarah Hayward	Community Development Clerk
Aaron Zylstra	Agricultural Fieldman
Al Fletcher	Agricultural Fieldman

IN REGRET

Stan Logan	Member
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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harcourt called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

AGENDA

AG56(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the agenda governing the June 13, 2016 Agricultural Service Board meeting. CARRIED.

AG57(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the March 18, 2016 Agricultural Service Board Meeting as amended. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Activity Report

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

AG58(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Johnson that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the June 13, 2016 Agricultural Service Board Activity Report as presented. CARRIED.

Trade Show

The Agricultural Service Board is presented with the 2016 Tradeshow Revenue and Expense Analysis for review.

AG59(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Johnson that this Agricultural Service Board accept the 2016 Trade Show Revenue and Expense Analysis as presented. CARRIED.

AG60(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board requires all Agricultural Service Board members to attend the Clear Hills County Agricultural Trade Show and Farmers' Appreciation Banquet. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Regional ASB
Conference

The 2016 Peace Region ASB Conference will be held November 9, 2016 in Dixonville, Alberta. Does the Board have any resolutions they wish to develop and bring forward to the Conference?

AG61(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board develop a resolution for the Peace Regional Agricultural Service Board Conference recommending a maximum of two votes per Agricultural Service Board at the Regional Conference. CARRIED.

2017 Operating
Budget Prep

As part of the 2017 Budget preparation the Board is requested to review the Operating Budget items.

AG62(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board draft the 2017 Operating Budget items based on the 2016 programs and levels of service. CARRIED.

Agricultural Service Board
Business Plan

The Board is presented with the 2010-2016 Agricultural Service Board Business Plan for review.

AG63(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board approve the 2010-2016 Agricultural Service Board Business Plan as presented. CARRIED.

REPORTS

Agricultural Fieldman
Report

At this time the Agricultural Fieldmen will have an opportunity to present their reports.

AG64(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the June 13, 2016 Agricultural Fieldmen reports for information. CARRIED.

Community Development
Report

At this time the Community Development Manager will have an opportunity to report on Community Development agricultural topics.

Chair Harcourt recessed for a break 11:15 am
Chair Harcourt reconvened at 11:17 am

AG65(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accept the Community Development Manager's report to June 13, 2016 as presented. CARRIED.

Board Reports

At this time the Board members will have an opportunity to present their reports.

Chair Harcourt: Attended Succession Planning in Debolt on May 30, 2016.

Deputy Chair Ruecker: Attended Succession Planning in Debolt on May 30, 2016.

AG66(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Johnson that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the Board members' written or verbal reports of June 13, 2016 for information. CARRIED.

**INFORMATION &
CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board is presented with correspondence to review.

1. The Pest Insider – Newsletter – (63-02-02)
2. Northern Sunrise County – Letter – (63-02-02)
3. SARDA – Be Cautious when Considering Selling your Surface Lease – Article – (63-02-02)
4. SARDA – Summer Field School – Article – (63-02-02)
5. Growing Forward 2 On-Farm Water Management Program – Letter – (63-02-02)
6. VSI Services – Letter – (63-10-40)
7. Alberta Farm Animal Care – Letter – (63-02-02)
8. Alberta Beef Producers – Letter – (63-02-02)
9. UCVI Beef Cattle Conference – Registration Package – (63-02-02)
10. Alberta Farm Express – GM Alfalfa Article – (63-02-02)

AG67(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board develop a resolution for the 2016 Peace Regional Agricultural Service Board Conference recommending glyphosate tolerant wheat be banned from Canada. CARRIED.

AG68(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all available members to attend Soil Health: The Bottom Lines with Nicole Masters on June 22, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. at the Rycroft Ag. Society Hall in Rycroft, Alberta. CARRIED.

AG69(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all available members to attend Nitrogen Fixation Nodulation workshop at the Manning Legion Hall in Manning, Alberta on June 16, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CARRIED.

AG70(06/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board receives the Information & Correspondence of June 13, 2016 as presented. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Harcourt adjourned the meeting at 11:47 p.m.

CHAIR

AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN