

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, Worsley, Alberta
March 18, 2019**

PRESENT

Brian Harcourt	Chair
MacKay Ross	Member
Baldur Ruecker	Deputy Chair
Julie Watchorn	Member
David Janzen	Council Representative
Garry Candy	Member

ATTENDING

Audrey Bjorklund	Community Development Manager
Sarah Hayward	Community Development Clerk
Greg Coon	Agricultural Fieldman

ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harcourt called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

AGENDA

AG48(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the agenda governing the March 18, 2019 Agricultural Service Board meeting with the following addition:
 7a Events: addition: Climate Fieldview Meeting
 7d. Chinook Applied Research Association (CARA) Soil Sampling Lab
 7e. Gardening of the North in Churchill Manitoba
CARRIED.

AG49(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the February 20, 2019 Agricultural Service Board Meeting as presented. **CARRIED.**

OLD BUSINESS

Activity Report

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

AG50(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the March 18, 2019 Agricultural Service Board Activity Report as presented. **CARRIED.**

Date, Time and Place
Of Board Members

This item has been tabled since the November 19, 2018 Organizational meeting because all members must be present to change the date, time and place of meetings.

AG51(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board set the Agricultural Service Board meeting for the third Tuesday of each month except May when the meeting will be held on the first Tuesday, and no meetings will be held in April and September. Meetings will commence at 10:00 a.m. in the Clear Hills County Council Chambers at 313 Alberta Avenue Worsley, Alberta. At the call of the Chair, special meetings shall be posted 48 hours in advance. **CARRIED.**

Dugout Treatment Information

The Board is presented with information regarding dugout treatment.

AG52(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board direct administration to feature one article per month in a "Dugout Corner" section of the monthly Clear Hills County newsletter and provide the link to the Alberta Agriculture and Forestry website where the information is being sourced from on the County website and Facebook page and share the information with Council. **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.

AG53(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the March 18, 2019 Board members' written and verbal reports for information as presented. **CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS
Events

The Board is presented with events for their consideration.

AG54(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Chair Harcourt that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of Councillor Janzen to attend the Mental Health First Aid for Agriculture on March 19-20, 2019 at the Grande Prairie Regional College Fairview Campus in Room AC 144. **CARRIED.**

AG55(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of Chair Harcourt, Member Watchorn, Deputy Chair Ruecker and Member Ross to attend the Peace Country Beef Cattle Day on March 26, 2019 at the Grimshaw Legion in Grimshaw, Alberta. **CARRIED.**

AG56(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board accept for that there will be a Climate Fieldview meeting sponsored by UFA on March 21, 2019 at the Dunvegan Motor Inn in Fairview, Alberta. **CARRIED.**

Farmer Class 1

Training Exemption

The Board is presented with a letter from Brazeau County regarding Class 1 Driver Training Requirements for Farmers.

AG57(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board direct administration to bring back further information on Saskatchewan "F" exemption from Farmers on their Class 1 licenses and prepare a draft a letter to the Minister of Transportation requesting agricultural producers be exempt from the Class 1 commercial driving training requirements. CARRIED.

Tradeshow
April 13, 2019

The 25th Annual Tradeshow is being held on April 13, 2019. Administration is requesting Board members to sign up for their shifts in the Agricultural Service Board booth at the Tradeshow.

Chair Harcourt recessed for a break at 11:32 a.m.
Chair Harcourt reconvened the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

AG58(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accept for information the Agricultural Service Board booth schedule and discussion around the 25th Annual Clear County Agricultural Trade Show being held on April 13, 2019 at the Dave Shaw Memorial Complex in Hines Creek, Alberta. CARRIED.

Add In:
CARA Soil
Sampling Lab

Member Candy requested the Chinook Applied Research Association (CARA) Soil Sampling Lab item be added to today's agenda.

AG59(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board direct administration to research costs associated with planning a tour to the Chinook Applied Research Association (CARA) Soil Sampling Lab in Oyen, Alberta. CARRIED.

Chair Harcourt recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.
Chair Harcourt reconvened the meeting at 12:31 p.m.

Add In: Gardening of
The North in Churchill
Manitoba

Member Candy requested using Sea Can's and hydroponics to grow fresh vegetables in Churchill Manitoba be added to today's agenda, as follow-up to the meeting with Council and discussion around promoting garden to plate in our region.

AG60(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Ross that this Agricultural Service Board accept for information the discussion around hydroponic gardening in the north using insulated sea-cans in Churchill Manitoba and share the information with Council. CARRIED.

REPORTS

Agricultural Fieldman
Report

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

AG61(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the March 18, 2019 Agricultural Fieldman's Report for information as presented. CARRIED.

Information &
Correspondence

The Board is presented with correspondence for review.

1. SARDA – Newsletter - (63-10-02)

AG62(03/18/19)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board receives the Information and Correspondence as presented. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

CHAIR

AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN