MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WORSLEY, AB TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022

PRESENT

Brian Harcourt

Chair

Julie Watchorn Baldur Ruecker

Deputy Chair Member

Baidur Ruecker Garry Candy

Member

Ron Jensen

Member

David Janzen

Council Representative

Jason Ruecker

Council Representative (alternate)

<u>ABSENT</u>

ATTENDING

Greg Coon

Agricultural Fieldman

Audrey Bjorklund

Community Development Manager

Bonnie Morgan Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

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

<u>AGENDA</u>

AG01-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the agenda governing the February 15, 2022, Agricultural Service Board meeting with the addition of 7.e Events – Peace Country Agri show.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Previous Meeting

Minutes

Agricultural Service Board is presented with previous meeting minutes.

AG02-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the December 14, 2021, Agricultural Service Board Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Activity Report

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

AG03-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the February 15, 2022, 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 Reeve Janzen entered the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

AG04-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the Board members' verbal and written reports of February 15, 2022, for information. CARRIED.

ASB Draft Annual

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Report to Council

The Board is provided with the updated draft 2021 Annual ASB Report to Council for review.

Chairman Harcourt recessed the meeting at 10:34 a.m. Chairman Harcourt reconvened the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

AG05-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen this Agricultural Service Board approves the 2021 ASB report to council, as amended.

CARRIED.

AG06-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to approve the attendance of all ASB members to attend the March 22, 2022, Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED.

AG07-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to bring back information regarding Carbon Tax to a future Agricultural Service Board meeting.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS
Weed Free Forage
Program

The Alberta Invasive Species is seeking to revitalize the Certified Weed Free Forage Program. Following their presentation at the ASB conference members of the Board requested the topic be included in today's agenda for consideration.

AG08-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board receive for information how the Weed Free Forage Program works.

CARRIED.

2022 ASB Conference Review

The Board is provided with a draft 2021 Annual ASB Report to Council for review.

AG09-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Watchorn to accept for information the review of the 2022 Agricultural Service Board Conference, as presented. CARRIED.

Synthetic Fertilizer Emissions Letter

The Board is presented with letters from other municipalities to the Federal Government regarding concerns with the Federal Governments emissions target for synthetic fertilizer.

AG10-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board direct administration to draft a letter to the Federal Government in support of the letters of concern for synthetic fertilizer emission targets that have been sent by other municipalities.

CARRIED.

Alberta Farm Safety Centre Funding Request

The Board is presented with a funding request from The Farm Safety Centre for the Farm Safety Smarts Program

AG11-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board approves a conditional grant of up to \$500.00/\$3.50 per student to the Farm Safety Centre for

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providing the Farm Safety Smarts Program to students within Clear Hills County boundaries. CARRIED.

Events

The Board is presented with events for their consideration.

AG12-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board receives the Events provided for information.

CARRIED.

AG13-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board approves the attendance of all members to attend one day of the Foster's Peace Country Classic Agri-Show, March 9-12 at Evergreen Park.

CARRIED.

REPORTS
Agricultural Fieldman
Report

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

AG14-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the February 15, 2022, Agricultural Fieldman's Report for information, as presented.

CARRIED.

Information & Correspondence

The Board is presented with correspondence for review.

AG15-22(02/15/22)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Harcourt that this Agricultural Service Board receives the Information and Correspondence of February 15, 2022, as presented. CARRIED.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Chair Harcourt adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

May 3/2022

CHAIR

DATE

AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN