

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WORSLEY, AB
TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023**

PRESENT

Brian Harcourt	Chair
Julie Watchorn	Deputy Chair
Baldur Ruecker	Member
Ron Jensen	Member
Garry Candy	Member
David Janzen	Council Representative

ABSENT

Jason Ruecker	Council Representative
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ATTENDING

Greg Coon	Agricultural Fieldman
Bonnie Morgan	Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harcourt called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

AGENDA

AG1-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the agenda governing the January 31, 2023, Agricultural Service Board meeting, with the addition of 7.d. Alberta Invasive Species Council Conference. CARRIED.

MINUTES

Previous Meeting
Minutes

Agricultural Service Board is presented with previous meeting minutes.

AG2-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the December 20, 2022, Agricultural Service Board Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Activity Report

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

Member Ruecker entered the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

AG3-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the January 31, 2023, 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.

AG4-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the Board members' verbal and written reports of January 31, 2023, for information. CARRIED.

AG5-23(01/31/23)

**RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to draft a letter to the ASB Provincial Committee with regards to the number of votes per board, during ASB Provincial Conference resolution sessions.
CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

Trade Show

The 26th Annual Tradeshow is being held on April 15, 2023. Administration is requesting Board members to sign up for their shifts in the Agricultural Service Board booth at the Trade Show

Chair Harcourt recessed the meeting at 11:04 a.m.
Chair Harcourt reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

AG6-23(01/31/23)

**RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board accepts for information the Agricultural Service Board booth schedule and discussion around the 26th Annual Clear Hills County Agricultural Trade Show, being held on April 15, 2023 at the Dave Shaw Memorial Complex in Hines Creek, Alberta.
CARRIED.**

Farm Safety
Fundraising Request

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

AG7-23(01/31/23)

**RESOLUTION Member Candy to table the request for additional funding for the Farm Safety Centre Program until the updated request letter is received.
CARRIED.**

VSI Farm Unit

The Board is requested to discuss a question posed by a producer regarding a definition in our VSI policy 6311.

AG8-23(01/31/23)

**RESOLUTION by Member Candy to bring back a working draft VSI policy 6311 and historic VSI budget figures to the next regular ASB meeting for further discussion and review on the definition of a Farm Unit.
CARRIED.**

Chair Harcourt recessed the meeting at 11:50 a.m.
Chair Harcourt reconvened the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

EVENTS

The Board is presented with events for their consideration.

AG9-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all ASB Board members to attend the Cover Crop Design and Funding Workshops February 9, 2023, at the Sexsmith Community Centre or February 10, 2023, Falher Hotel Dining Room. CARRIED.

AG10-23(01/31/23)

**RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all ASB Board members to attend the Peace Beef Cattle Day on February 15, 2023.
CARRIED.**

AG11-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all ASB Board members to attend the Peace Forest Grazing Day – March 15, 2023, at Eureka River Hall. CARRIED.

AG12-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to approve the attendance of Member Candy and Deputy Reeve Janzen to attend the Alberta Invasive Species Conference (AISC), March 7 and 8th, 2023 in Olds, Alberta. CARRIED.

REPORTS

Agricultural Fieldman Report

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

AG13-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the January 31, 2023, Agricultural Fieldman's Report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

INFORMATION &
CORRESPONDENCE

The Board is presented with correspondence for review.

Nothing to report.

AG14-23(01/31/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen to reschedule the February 21, 2023, ASB meeting to February 16, 2023, and the March 21, 2023, ASB Meeting to March 13, 2023. CARRIED.

ROUND TABLE:

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

Chair Harcourt recessed the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Chair Harcourt reconvened the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

Chairman Harcourt adjourned the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

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CHAIR

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AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN