

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR AGRICULTURE SERVICE
BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE BRAZEAU COUNTY
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON JUNE 18, 2008.**

CALL TO ORDER Chairman, B. Kitching called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT B. Kitching, Chairman
P. Monteith, Member
M. Schwab, Member
R. Robb, Member at Large
B. Urchyshyn, Member at Large
C. Sekura, Member at Large
C. Kappler, Agriculture Fieldman
T. McCracken, Recording Secretary

ABSENT R. Ennis, Assistant Agriculture Fieldman

ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA **ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

08/84 Moved by P. Monteith to adopt the agenda with the following additions:

- 6d) Blue Rapids Prov. Park weed control
- 7g) Correspondence regarding 2008 Alberta Farm Water Source program

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

R. Robb noted that his name was not listed as present at last meeting.

08/85 Moved by R. Robb to approve the 2008 05 22 minutes as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS **OLD BUSINESS**
Revised Agriculture Department policies

C. Kappler reviewed the changes discussed at last month's meeting.

Sponsorship Letter for Regional Conference

Members reviewed the revised sponsorship letter as presented. Each member provided names of whom they will get sponsorship from.

Letter from Clearwater County – Environmental Farm Plan

Members reviewed correspondence from Clearwater County regarding support for the Environmental Farm Plan. Discussion took place regarding the regulations and procedures on the original farm plan.

08/86 Moved by M. Schwab to receive the letter from Clearwater County for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGRICULTURAL REPORTS **AGRICULTURAL REPORTS**
Agriculture Fieldman's Reports

C. Kappler briefly reviewed her report as presented.

08/87 Moved by P. Monteith to receive the Agriculture Fieldman's Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report

Members reviewed the Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report as presented.

08/88 Moved by C. Sekura to receive the Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS **NEW BUSINESS**
Alberta Livestock & Meat Strategy 2008 – 2013
Implementation Plan

Members reviewed the Alberta Livestock & Meat Strategy Plan as presented and provided their comments.

08/89 Moved by P. Monteith to receive the Strategy Plan for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Weed Control Act – First Draft

C. Kappler indicated one of the changes in the legislation is the designation of noxious weeds to prohibited noxious weeds.

08/90 Moved by B. Urchyshyn to receive the first draft of the Weed Control Act for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Alberta Beef Producers – Nominations for 2009 Environmental Stewardship Award

Members reviewed correspondence from Alberta Beef Producers regarding nominations for the 2009 Environmental Stewardship Award.

08/91 Moved by C. Sekura to receive the correspondence for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Blue Rapids Park Weed Issues

B. Urchyshyn reiterated R. Robb's concern about weed control in the Blue Rapids Provincial Park. He suggested that Brazeau

County enter into an agreement with the Parks regarding weed control. B. Kitching indicated that the County has the authority under the Weed Control Act to issue a weed notice to the Parks.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

CORRESPONDENCE/ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 08/92 Moved by P. Monteith to receive the following items for information:
- a) Fast Facts regarding BTK.
 - b) Forage Views newsletter, May & June 2008.
 - c) NRCB Quarterly Review newsletter
 - d) The Windsock newsletter, April 2008
 - e) The Blade newsletter, May 2008
 - f) Six Ways Mushrooms can Save the World video
 - g) Correspondence from Alberta Agriculture & Rural Development regarding 2008 Alberta Farm Water Source Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT 08/93 Moved by M. Schwab that the regular Agriculture Service Board adjourn at 11:25 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A.S.B. CHAIRMAN

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