

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE BRAZEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON JANUARY 20, 2010.

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

PRESENT P. Monteith, Chair
A. Heinrich, Member
M. Schwab, Member
A. Goddard, Member at Large
C. Martin, Member at Large
M. Raines, Member at Large
R. Ennis, Agriculture Fieldman
D. Thompson, Communications Co-ordinator
T. McCracken, Recording Secretary

ABSENT L. Murphy, Assistant Agriculture Fieldman

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

01/10 Moved by C. Martin to accept the following items as additions:

New Business

- 6c) Updated 2010 Provincial A.S.B. Conference agenda
- 6d) Livestock risk Management Sessions
- 6e) AFAC Livestock Care Conference – March 26, 2010
- 6f) Alberta Farm & Ranch Century Award
- 6g) Ag Policy Review meeting date

Correspondence for Information

- 7e) Letter from VSI Services Ltd.
- 7f) Growing Alberta Tourism correspondence
- 7g) AFSC Forage Insurance meeting schedule
- 7h) WCCG Upcoming Events
- 7i) Letter from Peace Country regarding forage and beef conference

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Under Member's Reports, it should read "M. Raines and C. Martin discussed their attendance at the Crop Opportunities workshop in Red Deer on December 16th."

02/10 Moved by A. Heinrich to adopt the 2001 12 16 minutes as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS **OLD BUSINESS**
Letter to C. Goertz regarding Resolution responses

R. Ennis indicated that the letter was forwarded to the Provincial A.S.B.committee.

03/10 Moved by A. Goddard to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agriculture Equipment Rates

R. Ennis stated that he and L. Murphy looked into portable handling systems. Information was presented to the board.

04/10 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**AGRICULTURE
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Agriculture Fieldman's Report & Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report

R. Ennis briefly reviewed his report as presented. Members reviewed the Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report as presented.

05/10 Moved by M. Schwab to receive the reports as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Member's Reports

M. Schwab attended an organizing committee meeting regarding the Guitars & Denim evening scheduled for November 6, 2010.

M. Schwab booked the Whitby Hall for this tentative date.

06/10 Moved by A. Goddard to receive the Member's Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Review of A.S.B. Act

Members reviewed proposed changes to the Agriculture Service Board Act and provided their comments.

07/10 Moved by M. Schwab to submit the A.S.B.'s response with recommended changes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WCCG Upcoming Events

08/10 Moved by M. Schwab to receive WCCG Upcoming Events schedule as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2010 Provincial A.S.B. Conference & Resolutions

Members reviewed and provided their input into the resolutions.

09/10 Moved by A. Heinrich that P. Monteith and M. Schwab be the voting members at the 2010 Provincial A.S.B. Conference.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ratepayer Concerns

There were no ratepayer concerns.

Livestock Management Sessions

Members reviewed the locations for the livestock management workshops.

10/10 Moved by M. Schwab to authorize any member to attend a Livestock Management Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AFAC Livestock Care Conference

11/10 Moved by A. Goddard to authorize any member to attend the AFAC Livestock Care conference.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Alberta Century Farm & Ranch Award

R. Ennis received a call from the MLA's office regarding a nomination of the Topstead family for this award. It was recommended that this matter be referred to the D.V. & District Agriculture Society.

12/10 Moved by M. Schwab that the Service Board forward a letter with the correspondence regarding the Alberta Century Farm & Ranch award to the D.V. & District Agriculture Society to deal with this matter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ag Policy Review Meeting

Members discussed what topics should be brought forward to be discussed at the agriculture policy review meeting.

13/10 Moved by M. Schwab that P. Monteith and R. Ennis be authorized to the Ag. Policy Review meeting on February 1, 2010 in Drayton Valley from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A. Jeffery arrived at the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

Farm Animal Care Awareness Campaign Underway in Alberta

Members reviewed correspondence from Alberta & Rural Development. A. Jeffery inquired what is the process into investigating animal neglect calls. M. Schwab outlined the process that is taken when someone calls the ALERT number.

14/10 Moved by M. Raines to approve the correspondence as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Growing Alberta Tourism Correspondence

15/10 Moved by M. Schwab to refer the Growing Alberta Tourism Conference to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Peace Country Beef & Forage Association

15/10 Moved by M. Schwab to refer this correspondence to the West Central Forage Association and to have the Agriculture Fieldman talk about hosting something similar in Brazeau County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ITEMS FOR
INFORMAITON**

CORRSPONDENCE/ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

15/10 Moved by M. Schwab to receive the following items for information:

- a) Forage views newsletter, December 2009.
- b) The Blade newsletter, December 2009.
- c) Thank you from Elisabeth Scheidegger.
- d) Correspondence from P. Merrill regarding coyote concerns.
- e) Letter from VSI Services Ltd. regarding usage of services for producers.
- f) Correspondence regarding Growing Alberta Tourism.
- g) AFSC forage Insurance Meeting itinerary and location schedule.
- h) Correspondence regarding WCCG Upcoming Events.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MARCH
MEETING**

16/10 Moved by A. Goddard that the March meeting be changed to March 24th, 2010 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

17/10 Moved by C. Martin that the regular Agriculture Service Board meeting adjourn at 11:25 a.m.

A.S.B. CHAIRMAN

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