

**BRAZEAU COUNTY**  
**AGRICULTURAL SERVICE**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, June 15, 2016**

**10:00 A.M.**





**AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD  
AGENDA**

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**DATE:** Wednesday, June 15, 2016  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** County Administration Building, EOC Meeting Room

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Call to Order

Present

1. Addition to and Adoption of the Agenda **(Page 1)**
2. Adoption of Minutes – ASB Meeting May 18, 2016 **(Page 2-5)**
3. Delegation
  - a) **10:10 am** ALUS Program Update: B. Misener
4. Public Input – 11:00 a.m.
5. Old Business
  - a) NAIT Woodlot Land - Land Rent Request
  - b) Agricultural Service Board Strategy Session
  - c) AG-10 Vegetation Management Policy **(Page 6-7)**
6. Agriculture Reports for June 2016
  - a) Agricultural Fieldman’s Report
  - b) Assistant Agricultural Fieldman’s Report
  - c) Member’s Report
7. New Business
  - a) Meeting Dates **(Page 8)**
  - b) Bill 6 Consultation Groups **(Page 9)**
8. Correspondence/Items for Information
  - a) West Central Forage Association Letter: Level of Service Concerns **(Page 10)**
9. Adjournment

**MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, EOC ROOM ON WEDNESDAY, 2016 05 18**

**CALL TO ORDER** R. Ennis, Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

**PRESENT** R. Ennis, Chairman  
D. Movald, Vice-Chairman  
B. Guyon, Reeve  
A. Heinrich, Councillor  
S. Mahan, Councillor  
L. Rabel, Agricultural Fieldman  
T. London, Recording Secretary

**ABSENT** T. McGinn, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman  
A. Goddard, Member at Large  
L. Joesting, Member at Large

**OTHERS** J. Karpo, Planning and Development Intern

**ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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**36/16** Moved by D. Movald to approve the agenda with the following additions:

**2. Introductions**

**7. d) Land Leased by NAIT, SE-30-48-5 W5**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**37/16** Moved by S. Mahan to amend page 2 of March 9, 2016 ASB Meeting by replacing the name B. Guyon with R. Ennis.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DELEGATIONS/ APPOINTMENTS**

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None

**PUBLIC INPUT**

**Public Input Session – 11:00 a.m.**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

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**Fence line Agreements on Properties Adjacent to the Highway**

**38/16** Moved by Anthony Heinrich to direct administration to amend AG-10 Vegetation Management section H. to

eradicate prohibited noxious and/or control noxious weeds or brush inside the fence line from 1 meter to up to 5 meters, and to include private lands along provincial highways.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Slip-in Truck Sprayer Purchase for Rental Fleet**

**39/16** Moved by B. Guyon to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Growing Into the Future**

**40/16** Moved by B. Guyon to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**41/16** Moved by A. Heinrich to add Ag Initiative Strategies to the next ASB Agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AGRICULTURE REPORTS**

**Agriculture Reports (April and May 2016)**

**Agricultural Fieldman's Report and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman's Report**

**42/16** Moved by D. Movald to receive the Agricultural Fieldman's, and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman's Report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MEMBER'S REPORT Member's Reports (April and May 2016)**

Councillor S. Mahan reported that she attended:

- ALUS PAC Committee Meeting – May 10, 2016

Member at Large D. Movald that he attended:

- West Central Forage Association AGM – March 16, 2016

**43/16** Moved by D. Movald to direct administration to write a letter to West Central Forage Association requesting an update on staffing.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**44/16** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive member reports as submitted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**New Business Meeting Dates**

**43/16** Moved by B. Guyon to accept for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**IN PRIVATE  
SESSION**

**In Private Session**

**44/16** Moved by S. Mahan that the ASB Meeting of May 18, 2016 proceed into 'in private' at 11:45 a.m. for the purpose of discussing: Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**45/16** Moved by B. Guyon that the ASB Meeting of May 18, 2016 come out of 'in private' at 11:55 a.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant**

**46/16** Moved by B. Guyon to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R. Ennis called for a break at 11:55 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 12:00 p.m.

**AWES Annual General Meeting**

**47/16** Moved by S. Mahan to approve ASB Board Members to attend AWES Annual General Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Land Leased by NAIT SE-30-48-W5**

**48/16** Moved by S. Mahan to receive request for information.

**CORRESPONDENCE  
ITEMS**

**CORRESPONDENCE/ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- a) Thank you letter from West Central Forage Association
- b) Correspondence from Growing Forward 2 regarding On-Farm Water Management Program
- c) Thank you letter from Farm Safety Centre

**49/16** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive all correspondence for information.

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**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NEXT  
MEETING**

The next regular ASB Meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2016 in the County Administration Building, EOC Room.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**50/16** Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting of May 18, 2016 adjourn at 12:12 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**A.S.B. CHAIRMAN**

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**A.S.B. SECRETARY**

DRAFT

**Policy Name**

Vegetation Management

**Policy Number**

AG-10



**Policy Statement**

To establish guidelines to eradicate Prohibited Noxious and/or control Noxious weeds and woody vegetation on Brazeau County owned properties and right-of-ways. This provides for the eradication or control of weeds under Alberta’s *Weed Control Act*; and for the control of encroaching woody vegetation (brush) in County right-of-ways (ditches).

**Policy**

- A. Brazeau County Vegetation Management program is conducted with the objective to eradicate Prohibited Noxious and/or control Noxious weeds and reduce the growth of woody vegetation (brush). This will assist in reducing snow accumulation problems; facilitate snow removal, aid in visibility for traffic safety and wildlife crossing.
- B. Pesticide applications will be performed by employees of the County and/or by contractors under direction of the Agricultural Fieldman. Employees and/or contractors must hold a valid Pesticide Applicator License. Pesticide applications will adhere to the guidelines set out in the Industrial Vegetation Management Association of Alberta (IVMAA) Industry Standards and Good Practices handbook, and the Environmental Code of Practices for Pesticides.
- C. The vegetation management program will be advertised annually.
- D. Applications will not be performed within 30 meters of any water course; or visible shelterbelt, garden, residence, unless spot treatment is required or under a Special Use Approval granted by Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development.
- E. No spray areas can be acquired under the guidelines of the “No Spray” Request Policy AG-23.
- F. Brush will be sprayed or mechanically removed to control encroachment which inhibits snow removal, grading, construction or maintenance of roads.
- G. Brush will be removed to improve sightlines at intersections and along right-of-ways that may reduce hazards with other traffic and/or wildlife.

Chief Administrative Officer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approved By Council: 91/05/22  
 Revision Dates: (y/m/d) 08/06/06; 06/10/10; 04/08/10; 97/05/08  
 Reviewed: 14/06/23



- H. Fence Line Herbicide agreement may be entered into with the resident to eradicate Prohibited Noxious and/or control Noxious weeds or brush inside the fence line up to ~~one (1)~~ five (5) meters upon signed agreement from the resident to remove vegetation in fence lines adjacent to County and Provincial highway right-of-ways.
- I. Specific weeds may be targeted from time to time within Brazeau County boundaries. Vegetation control may take place on privately owned land with a custom spray agreement between the resident and the County.

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# **AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD - MEETING SCHEDULE**

**EOC ROOM**

**7401 – TWP Road 494**

**From 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**Rate Payer Concerns heard at 11:00 am**

~~January 20, 2016~~ cancelled

**July 20, 2016**

**February 17, 2016**

**August 17, 2016**

**March 9, 2016**

**September 21, 2016**

~~April 20, 2016~~ cancelled

**October 19, 2016**

**May 18, 2016**

**November 16, 2016**

**June 15, 2016**

**December 21, 2016**

## **Per Diem Rates:**

**Up to Four Hours = \$170.00**

**From Four to Eight Hours = \$271.00**

**Conference Rates = \$349.00 per day**

**Mileage Rate - \$0.55**

# Maureen P. J. Schwab

Brazeau County Agricultural Service Board

Attention: Rick Ennis, Chair

Lisa Rabel Agricultural Fieldman

## **Dear ASB Members:**

Firstly, I wish to express my appreciation to all ASB members for supporting the nomination for me to participate in the Bill 6 consultation process. As you likely are aware I was not selected however I do appreciate your confidence in putting my name forward.

I am very disappointed in the fact that only 23% of those selected are actually farmers and many of those represent very large farming operations. The appointees include numerous union representatives which is also a concern. I do encourage all members of the ASB to be vigilant as this consultation process moves forward. Hopefully we will have opportunities for input at various stages of the process.

Thank you again.

Regards.

Maureen



# Brazeau County

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June 1, 2016

West Central Forage Association  
5009 45 Ave  
Entwistle, AB T0E 0S0

Dear Sir/Madam:

**Re: Level of Service Concerns**

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At our recent Agricultural Services Board meeting on May 18, 2016, the board discussed services which in the past were available to producers through West Central Forage Association programs.

The vacancies of positions within your association concerns the ASB board and we wish to inquire how you plan to maintain the level of service that was to be provided with our financial support. It was our understanding that with the knowledge and training your staff has with Growing Forward II and Environmental Farm Plan applications, that you would be able to assist our producers with these programs. With some of these positions open, we have had to locate assistance through the province for the time being. We hope this is only temporary and look forward to having WCFA back as our main point of contact for our producers soon.

If we may request that you please let us know when you have these individuals in place, we would greatly appreciate it. We look forward to our continued working relationship.

Sincerely,

Rick Ennis  
Chairman, Agricultural Services Board

RE/lr



# July 2016 (Canada)

August 2016

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 ☾ 3rd Quarter	28	29	30	1 <span style="color: red;">Canada Day</span>	2
3	4 ● New Moon	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 ☽ 1st Quarter	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 ☽ Full Moon	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 ● 3rd Quarter	27	28	29	30
31	1 <span style="color: blue;">British Columbia Day Civic/Provincial Day Heritage Day in Alberta Natal Day New Brunswick Day Terry Fox Day</span>	2 ● New Moon	3	4	5	6