

MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, EOC ROOM ON WEDNESDAY, 2016 08 17

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

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

ABSENT T. McGinn, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
L. Joesting, Member at Large
L. Chambers, Director of Community Services

OTHERS M. Thesen, Resident
D. Dancey, Resident

ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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65/16 Moved by S. Mahan to approve the agenda with the following additions:

**7. e) Enhanced Weed Control Program
f) Awards**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Adoption of Minutes

66/16 Moved by A. Heinrich to adopt the minutes of June 15, 2016 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS/ APPOINTMENTS

Delegations/Appointments

a) 10:03 – 10:42 a.m. AWES, Jeff Renton

67/16 Moved by B. Guyon that ASB recommend to Council for Brazeau County to become a member of AWES.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

68/16 Moved by S. Mahan to accept J. Renton's presentation as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC INPUT

Public Input Session – 11:00 a.m.

Chairman R. Ennis opened the Public Input Session.

No immediate concerns were raised. The residents (Ken Thiessen and Dwight Dancey) in attendance said they would defer their comments during the Enhanced Weed Control discussion.

Chairman R. Ennis closed the Public Input Session.

OLD BUSINESS

Old Business

Agricultural Service Board Strategy Session

69/16 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive ASB Vision, Mission, and Values Statements for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AG-10 Vegetation Management Policy

70/16 Moved by D. Movald to receive AG-10 Vegetation Management Policy for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGRICULTURE REPORTS

Agriculture Reports (July and August 2016)

Agricultural Fieldman's and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman's Report

L. Rabel presented the Agricultural Fieldman and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman Reports.

71/16 Moved by A. Goddard accept the Agricultural Fieldman's and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman's report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENHANCED WEED

CONTROL PROGRAM Enhanced Weed Control Program

B. Guyon presented ideas for an Enhanced Weed Control Program.

72/16 Moved by S. Mahan to move up 7. e) Enhanced Weed Control Program to 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

73/19 Moved by B. Guyon to direct administration to develop a new enhanced spraying program to be reviewed by

ASB at the October meeting and then brought before Council during the 2017 annual budget process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEMBER'S
REPORT**

Member's Reports July and August 2016

Member at Large D. Movald provided update on:

- ALUS program launch, and highlights.

Councillor S. Mahan commented:

- Learned about edible mushrooms, and was able to pick and eat red top mushrooms on her acreage.

Member at Large A. Goddard commented:

- Feed sourcing will be simpler this year due to increased supply.
- Haying has been difficult.

Chairman R. Ennis commented:

- Has had the best hay crop this year.
- M. McArthur called from the Premier's office regarding letter from ASB concerning Bill 6 about consultation groups.

74/16 Moved by A. Goddard to receive member reports as submitted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R. Ennis moved for a break at 12:01 p.m., the meeting was resumed at 12:07 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

New Business

Meeting Dates

75/16 Moved by D. Movald to receive the meeting as schedule for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Weed Enforcement and Discussion

76/16 Moved by B. Guyon to receive C. Lind's complaint letter for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

77/16 Moved by B. Guyon to direct administration to write reply letters to resident weed concern letters that the ASB is developing an enhanced weed control program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

78/16 Moved by A. Goddard to receive B. Guyon's reply letter to C. Lind for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

20% Herbicide Rebate Program

L. Rabel presented a financial report on remaining funds available in the herbicide rebate program.

79/16 Moved by D. Movald to direct administration to recommend to Council that they allocate increased funding to the herbicide rebate program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FARM FAMILY AWARDS

Farm Family Awards

The ASB discussed potential applicants for the 2016 Farm Family Awards.

80/16 Moved by A. Heinrich to nominate in this order depending if they qualify: Fred and Bev Kynock, Doug and Marge Holgrem, Ed and Verna Hines to the 2016 Farm Family Awards.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AWARDS

Awards

B. Guyon presented the idea of Agricultural Awards to give recognition to farmers in Brazeau County, and to bring the Agricultural community together.

81/16 Moved by B. Guyon to direct administration to develop awards criteria for ASB consideration at the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

CORRESPONDENCE/ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

82/16 Moved by B. Guyon to receive letter from WCFA for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

83/16 Moved by S. Mahan to direct administration to reply to M. Schwab's weed complaint letter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

84/16 Moved by S. Mahan to receive all remaining correspondence for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEXT
MEETING**

The next regular ASB Meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2016 in the County Administration Building, EOC Room.

ADJOURNMENT

85/16

Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting of August 17, 2016 adjourn at 12:50 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A.S.B. Chairman

Agriculture Fieldman