

MINUTES OF THE BRAZEAU COUNTY ALTERNATIVE LAND USE SERVICES (ALUS) PARTNERSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC), HELD IN THE BRAZEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, EOC MEETING ROOM, IN DRAYTON VALLEY, ALBERTA ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020.

CALL TO ORDER D. Movald, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE Duane Movald, Chairperson & Member-at-Large
Henry Hughes, Member-at-Large
Allan Goddard, Member-at-Large
Lois Gerwien, Member-at-Large
Art Goerzen, Member-at-Large
Jessica Watson, West-Central Forage Association
Corbyn Pankonin, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman / ALUS Coordinator
Dawnia McCann, Manager of Agricultural Services
Nancy Chambers, Recording Secretary

ABSENT Tonya Lwiwski, Cows & Fish
Candace Vanin, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Mary Ellen Shain, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance
Kara Westerlund, Councillor
Christine Campbell, ALUS Canada Western Hub Manager

GUESTS None

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE None

INTRODUCTIONS No introductions were required.

ADDITIONS AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA 051-20 Moved by A. Goddard to adopt the agenda with the following addition:
▪ 6a) National ALUS Online Conference
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES 052-20 Moved by L. Gerwien to adopt the minutes of the September 8, 2020, ALUS PAC meeting as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING National ALUS Online Conference
C. Pankonin discussed the upcoming online ALUS PAC conference scheduled for October 20, October 27 & November 3, 2020. Members are welcome to come to the County office for the afternoon sessions if they have internet

connectivity issues or want to watch as a group. Members will be able to claim honoraria to attend.

ALUS BRAZEAU UPDATE

C. Pankonin spoke about the ALUS photo contest. There are not many entries this year, so it may be cancelled. Entries are due November 1, 2020.

C. Pankonin thanked the PAC for their contributions over the past year and invited them to re-apply for next year's board. Applications for various boards are due October 16, 2020.

ALUS BY THE NUMBERS

C. Pankonin presented the ALUS by the Numbers report. Members discussed funding requirements for upcoming years.

053-20 Moved by J. Watson to accept the ALUS by the Numbers report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

D. Movald reminded PAC members if there are any conflicts of interest, they must be declared before proceeding to the discussion of the projects.

D. Movald called for a break at 9:24 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 9:37 a.m.

A. Goerzen declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

PROJECT PROPOSALS

a) File: 20E-003

C. Pankonin presented project #1 for file 20E-003 for the creation of wildlife habitat on approximately 55.52 acres. The area noted as "proposed fenceline" on the map would be the line that would be GPS'd as a boundary of the project area, along with the existing fencelines to the north and west. A fence would not actually be installed at this time.

Members confirmed the water flows west into the Modeste Creek. C. Pankonin confirmed that the participants advised there are currently no beavers in the existing pond and dam, but the participants want beavers to be attracted the area.

054-20 Moved by A. Goddard that the PAC approve a 50% cost-share for the wildlife habitat establishment costs as presented, as well as annual payment at the existing forest rate of \$15.00 per acre for the area contained within the exclusion area (54.54 acres) and annual payment at the wetland rate of \$20 per acre for the area contained in the exclusion area (0.98 acres) for Project 1, File 20E-003.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A. Goerzen returned to the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

PROJECT UPDATES C. Pankonin reviewed the project updates for files 19E-001, 19E-003, 19E-004, 19E-005, 19E-007, 20E-001, 20E-002, 20E-004, 20E-005 and 20E-006. Members suggested approaching local 4-H clubs for construction of bat and bird houses if needed.

055-20 Moved by H. Hughes to accept the Project Updates report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADMINISTRATIVE
MATTERS**

a) Discussion on Meeting Frequency and Timing

C. Pankonin asked the PAC for their feedback on this past year's meeting frequency and timing. The Terms of Reference state PAC meetings are to be held a minimum of four and a maximum of 10 times per year. The 2020 budget allowed for 10 half day meetings.

C. Pankonin suggested that more projects come forward in the spring and summer rather than through the winter months. There is less urgency for project approvals from November to March, so perhaps less meeting are required during that time. In general, members agreed that additional meetings can be added through the summer if more meetings are required other than every second month. Meetings can also be cancelled if no projects are ready to be presented.

b) 2020 ALUS PAC Meeting Schedule

No changes were required.

ADJOURNMENT

056-20 Moved by A. Goerzen to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Duane Movald
Chairperson

Corbyn Pankonin
ALUS Coordinator