

Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting of the County of Forty Mile No. 8 of the Province of Alberta held in the Board Room of the County Office, Foremost, Alberta on Tuesday, June 6th, 2006.

The Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Craig Widmer, at 9:00 A.M.

Members present: *Ronald Lane*
 George Henline
 Ronald Harty
 Lynden Hutchinson
 Tom Thacker
 Otto Gross

Also present: *Dale Brown, County Administrator*
 Dave Matz, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman

Minutes

MOVED approval of the Minutes of the Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on March 21st, 2006.

CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

MOVED approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented.

CARRIED.

REPORTS

Assistant Agricultural Fieldman, Dave Matz, presented a summary of his activities for May, 2006 and attached as Addendum "A" to the Minutes.

Agricultural Fieldman, Jon Hood's written report was presented to the Board and attached as Addendum "B" to the Minutes.

Conservation Co-ordinator, Warren Burgevitze's written report was presented to the Board.

Tenders – 1590 No Till Drill

MOVED that the quotation from Green Power be accepted for the supply of one 1590 No Till Drill at a cost of \$22,000.00 with trade.

CARRIED.

West Nile – Targeted Mosquito Control Program

MOVED authorization for the County of Forty Mile No. 8 to participate in and submit a grant application under the Province of Alberta West Nile Virus Targeted Mosquito Larvae Control Program:

"That the County of Forty Mile No. 8 agrees that the County of Forty Mile No. 8 is the designated managing partner for the purpose of receiving, administering, allocating and reporting an accounting of grant funds on behalf of other partners and further that the County of Forty Mile No. 8 agrees to enter into or agrees to abide by the terms of a conditional grant agreement signed by the managing partner on behalf of other partner municipalities and/or approved participants governing the purpose and use of the grant funds."

CARRIED.

Agricultural Service Board Summer Tour

The 2006 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Summer Tour is being hosted by Leduc County July 25th to 28th, 2006.

Town of Bow Island Mosquito Larvae Control Program

MOVED approval for the County to enter into an agreement and to administer funds on behalf of the Town of Bow Island for the Targeted Mosquito Larvae Control Program.

CARRIED.

INFORMATION ITEMS

West Nile Virus Surveillance Program

The County of Forty Mile No. 8 is now involved in the surveillance of West Nile Virus and all expenses will be reimbursed to the County. Two monitoring stations will be set up - one in the Burdett area and one in the Foremost area.

Grant Allotment

Letter from Alberta Agriculture Food and Rural Development regarding the County's final allocation for 2005 work completed. The grant allotment was maxed out at \$151,865.27.

2006 Agricultural Service Board Resolution Responses

Olds College Farmer Pesticide Certification Training Course

Response letter from Alberta Environment concerning the Olds College Farmer Pesticide Certification Training Course. Jon Hood advised that he assisted in the redraft of this training course.

Public Land Weed Control Contracts

Canada-Alberta Water Supply Expansion Program

Letter from the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration with regard to the Canada-Alberta Water Supply Expansion Program along with the year end program report was presented.

Weed Notice – CPR

Notice to Remedy Weed Problems (Weed Notice) to CPR was presented. Jon Hood advised, following a meeting with Mr. Spata from CPR, it was the consensus that the County do weed control for CPR.

4-H Club Achievement Days

The following 4-H Club Achievement Days and Thank you's were presented:

- ◆ North 40 Mile Beef Club Achievement Day – Saturday June 17th, 2006 in Burdett
- ◆ Shortgrass 4-H Club Show and Sale – Friday June 9, 2006 at Foremost Rodeo Grounds
- ◆ Bow Island Pivot Country Fair – Thank You
- ◆ Southern Alberta 4-H Region – Thank you
- ◆ Prairie Rose 4-H Craft Club – Thank you

The Agriculture Department Staff will be doing all weigh-ins.

Farm Family Awards

- ◆ Calgary Stampede Farm Family Awards and Thank You letter.

MOVED that the Meeting adjourn at 10:50 P. M.

CARRIED.