

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, September 6, 2016.

The Meeting was called to order by the Agriculture Chairman, Craig Widmer, at 8:56 A. M.

Members Present: *Chantel Timmons
Craig Widmer
Bryne Lengyel
Joan Hughson
Ronald Harty*

Members Absent: *Gerald Reimer
Steven Wikkerink*

Also Present: *Dale Brown, County Administrator
Dave Matz, Agricultural Fieldman
Darrell Van Arragon, Assistant Agricultural
Fieldman
Paula Mueller, Executive Assistant*

Minutes

MOVED approval of the Minutes of the Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on June 7, 2016.

CARRIED.

Amendments to the Agenda

MOVED that the September 6, 2016 Agricultural Service Board Agenda be approved as amended.

- Pasta Plant Update
- Tour and Tea/Foremost Historical Society

CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

MOVED Chantel Timmons approval of the Treasurer's Report for the period ending August 31, 2016.

CARRIED.

Agricultural Fieldman's Report

The Agricultural Fieldman's Report was presented by Dave Matz and attached as Addendum 'A' to the Minutes.

Roadside Spraying Map

A map of all the roads sprayed in the County of Forty Mile No. 8 up to August 30, 2016 was provided for the Agricultural Service Board Committee's review.

Roadside Spraying Policy

The Agricultural Service Board Members reviewed the Roadside Spraying Policy and agreed no change at this time.

2016 South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference

- Councillors Widmer, Wikkerink, Hughson, Harty, Reeve Lengyel, and County Agricultural Fieldman to attend 2016 South Region Agricultural Board Conference in Claresholm on October 27, 2016
- Mr. Matz to forward agenda to councillors for the 2016 South Region Agricultural Board Conference

Letter from County of St. Paul to Minister of Transportation

A letter regarding the mowing and spraying of provincial highways was received from the County of St. Paul, expressing deep concern to the Minister of Transportation on the lack of weed control efforts to mitigate and minimize the spread of weeds on Alberta Highways.

Aq Mowing

Agricultural Service Board Members agreed concern should be expressed to Alberta Transportation that highways are in poor condition and require attention.

Resolution on Vegetation Management of Provincial Highways

The Municipal District of Bonnyville is presenting a draft resolution on managing vegetation along highways at the September AAMD&C meeting.

Agricultural Service Board Bursary

Four applications were received for the Agricultural Service Board Bursary for 2016.

MOVED that a \$500.00 Agricultural Service Board Bursary be awarded to Kristin Van Arragon and Nicole Keuper for the 2016 school year.

CARRIED.

Pasta Plant Update/Reeve Lengyel

Reeve Lengyel informed the Agricultural Service Board Committee that interest has been raised in developing a pasta milling facility in Foremost.

- 6 million bushels of durum would be required
- The product would be for food services/institutional use
- 53 foot containers would be loaded at this facility

Tour and Tea of Cemeteries/County Agricultural Fieldman

- The Foremost Historical Society is hosting a bus tour of three cemeteries in the County and tea to follow
- This tour is on Sunday, September 11, 2016 for all County residents who register; \$10.00 per person
- Cemeteries to be included in the tour are the Dutch Reform Cemetery, St. Joseph's Cemetery, and Forty Mile Cemetery
- The County Agricultural Fieldman to insure these cemeteries have been recently mowed

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Letter from Minister Carlier regarding funding for Agriculture
- Letter from Doug Macaulay regarding 2016 ASB Funding
- Pest Insider Newsletter

MOVED that the Meeting adjourn at 10:57 A. M.

CARRIED.