

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, October 4, 2016.

The Meeting was called to order by the Agriculture Chairman, Craig Widmer, at 9:04 A. M.

Members Present: *Chantel Timmons
Craig Widmer
Bryne Lengyel
Joan Hughson
Gerald Reimer
Steven Wikkerink*

Members Absent: *Ronald Harty*

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 September 6, 2016.

CARRIED.

Delegations

10:30 A. M. – Marilou Montemayor / SEAWA

Amendments to the Agenda

MOVED that the October 4, 2016 Agricultural Service Board Agenda be approved with no amendments.

CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

MOVED approval of the Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2016.

CARRIED.

Agricultural Fieldman's Report

The Agricultural Fieldman's Report was presented by Dave Matz and is 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 September 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 proposed changes.

MOVED approval of the amended Roadside Spraying Policy as per Addendum "B" to the Minutes.

CARRIED.

2016 Farming Smarter Conference

- The Conference will be held in Medicine Hat at the Lodge, December 6 and 7, 2016
- Councillor Widmer, Councillor Wikkerink, Councillor Reimer and the Agricultural Fieldman will attend the Conference on behalf of the County

2016 In Service Training

MOVED approval for Mr. Matz and Mr. Van Arragon to attend the 2016 In Service Training in Edmonton on December 5 - 9, 2016.

CARRIED.

Roadside Seeding Drill

The Agricultural Fieldman provided a summary of the quotes received for an eight (8) foot compact drill.

Truax without no till	\$17,401.00
Truax with no till	\$22,213.00
Great Plains with no till	\$23,500.00
John Deere without no till	\$19,875.00

MOVED approval to purchase the John Deere Model BD1108 Frontier eight foot drill at a cost of \$19,875.00.

CARRIED.

Resolution Response

The Agricultural Fieldman received a letter from Shannon Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks, in regards to three Provincial ASB Resolutions for the Agricultural Service Board Committee's review.

South Region Resolution

Cypress County has submitted a resolution to the South Region Conference regarding the addition of Agriculture into the Alberta Education Curriculum.

Marilou Montemayor/Delegation Present in the Meeting/South East Alberta Watershed Alliance

Ms. Montemayor provided a presentation to the Agricultural Service Board Committee Members on Sustainable Watershed Management and the Water for Life Policy.

Watershed Planning and Advisory Council outcomes:

- Maintaining leadership in watershed assessment and planning
- Advice and support of Watershed Stewardship Groups presentation of issues that have been identified.

Alberta Water Council outcomes:

- Timely and strategic advice given to governments, industry, and non-government organizations;
- Body of knowledge expertise on specific water issues.

Land Use Framework-Desired Outcomes:

- Healthy economy supported by our land and natural resources
- Healthy ecosystems and environment
- People-friendly communities with ample recreational and cultural opportunities

A Watershed is how the flow of water circulates; dendritic like a tree and its' branches.

Mission SEAWA brings together diverse partners to plan and facilitate the sustainable use of the South Saskatchewan River watershed for present and future needs.

Ms. Montemayor left the Meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Agenda for 2016 South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference
- Letter to Alberta Transportation from AAAF Regarding Weed Control
- Letter to Honourable Brian Mason from MD of Smoky River regarding weed control on Alberta highways
- Thank You from Orion and Manyberries Centennial Committee

MOVED that the Meeting adjourn at 11:13 A. M.

CARRIED.