

**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 2, 2018.**

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

**Members Present:**            *Chantel Timmons*  
                                         *Craig Widmer*  
                                         *Stacey Barrows*  
                                         *Diane Harty*  
                                         *Gerald Reimer*  
                                         *Steven Wikkerink*  
                                         *Joan Hughson*

**Also Present:**                *Dale Brown, County Administrator*  
                                         *Keith Bodin, Associate Administrator*  
                                         *Dave Matz, Agricultural Fieldman*  
                                         *Darrell VanArragon, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman*  
                                         *Paula Mueller, Executive Assistant*

### **Minutes**

**MOVED approval of the Minutes of the Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on September 4, 2018.**

**CARRIED.**

### **Amendments to the Agenda**

**MOVED that the October 2, 2018 Agricultural Service Board Agenda be approved with the following amendments:**

- **ASB Program Review**
- **Sponsorship for ASB Conference**

**CARRIED.**

### **Treasurer's Report**

**MOVED approval of the Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2018.**

**CARRIED.**

### **Agricultural Fieldman's Report**

**MOVED that the Agricultural Fieldman's Report be received for information and added as "Addendum A" to the Minutes.**

**CARRIED.**

### **2018 South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference**

The Agricultural Service Board Committee Members reviewed the agenda for the 2018 South Regional ASB Conference and confirmed who would be attending.

### **2018 In Service Training**

The 2018 In Service Training will be held in Calgary during the first week of December and is being hosted by the South Region AAAF.

**MOVED approval for Mr. Van Arragon and Mr. Jesske to attend the 2018 In Service Training in Calgary on December 3-7, 2018.**

**CARRIED.**

### **Farming Smarter Sponsorship**

A sponsorship request was received from Farming Smarter.

**MOVED approval to sponsor the Farming Smarter Conference and Trade Show in Lethbridge December 12-13, 2018 for \$1,000.00.**

**CARRIED.**

### **2018 Resolution Report Card**

The Agricultural Service Board Committee reviewed the 2018 Resolution Report Card of the following resolutions:

- Environmental Stream Funding of the Agricultural Service Board Grant
- Appeals to the Minister Under the Weed Control Act and Agricultural Pests Act
- Requirement to Report Certain Pests to the Local Authority
- Weed Control on Alberta Vacant Public Lands Within Green Areas
- Wildlife Predator Compensation Program Enhancement
- Review of Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) Crop Insurance Program
- Crop Insurance for Alberta Fruit Producers
- Increasing Limits for Farm Direct Marketing of Chickens for All Farm Direct Producers
- Farm Direct Marketing of Eggs and Products Using Eggs
- Proposed Federal Tax Changes
- Organic Food Testing and Labelling
- Chemical Control of Wireworms

### **Policy Review**

The Agricultural Service Board Committee reviewed/amended the following policies:

- Crop Protection and Pest Control
- Demonstration of New Technology
- Field Crops
- Hamlet Cleanup
- Agriculture Priority

Proposed amendments to the policies will be presented at the next Agricultural Service Board Meeting for consideration/approval.

### **Agricultural Service Board Program Review**

The Agricultural Service Board Committee Members discussed the Agricultural Service Board Program Review. The goal of the review is to verify previously identified issues, identify any new issues, and identify potential solutions to improve the effectiveness and impact of the Agricultural Service Board Grant Program.

### **Sponsorship for the 2018 South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference**

The Agricultural Service Board Committee Members agreed to donate a gift for the charity auction up to a maximum of \$500.00 for the 2018 South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

No information items.

**MOVED that the Meeting adjourn at 11:08 A. M.**

**CARRIED.**