

AG SERVICE BOARD

Minutes

January 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Agriculture Service Board was held in the County of Warner Administration Office on January 12, 2016. In attendance were Chairman R. Taylor, P. Jensen, R. Jones, R. Ford, G. Krokosh, D. Cody, D. Heggie, S. Hathaway, J. Meeks and C. Preston.

Chairman R. Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

MINUTES
(16-01-01)

J. Meeks presented the minutes from the November 10, 2015 ASB meeting.
R. Ford moved to approve the minutes as presented.

Carried.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
(16-01-02)

P. Jensen moved the following items be added to the agenda

- Proposed Shop

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING

Council attended a Sustainable Farm Families' workshop January 4 & 5, 2016 and noted that it was a very worthwhile event.

(16-01-03)

D. Heggie moved to accept Business Arising as information.

Carried

REPORTS
(16-01-04)

Ag Fieldman Report – J. Meeks presented his report and it is attached as Appendix "A"
R. Jones moved to accept the Ag Fieldman Report as presented.

Carried.

ASB Members Reports

R. Taylor reported on the Environmental Farm Plan Stakeholder's meeting held January 12, 2015; evaluating the implementation of a Species at Risk component.

R. Jones reported attending the Farming Smarter Conference December 8 and 9, 2015 in Lethbridge; noting it was a good event for all producers. ASB members also in attendance commented on the many innovative and leading edge information presented.

D. Cody reported on the AIP Water Conference November 23-25, 2015 in Lethbridge hosted by the Alberta Irrigation Projects Association.

(16-01-05)

R. Ford moved to accept reports as presented.

Carried

TIFFIN CONFERENCE
(16-01-06)

P. Jensen moved to purchase 4 Tiffin Conference tickets to allow the opportunity for producers to attend January 21, 2016 at the Lethbridge Lodge.

Carried

R. Ford left the meeting at 1:40 pm

R. Ford returned to the meeting at 1:45 pm

S. Hathaway left the meeting at 1:45 pm

S. Hathaway returned to the meeting at 1:48 pm

CORRESPONDENCE
(16-01-07)

D. Cody moved to accept correspondence as information.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2016 BMO CALGARY STAMPEDE FARM FAMILY AWARD

a. The Agricultural Service Board nominated the Eliason Family from our area as a potential recipient for the 2016 BMO Calgary Stampede Farm Family Award.

b. 2016 ASB Provincial Conference January 18 – 21, 2016, Fantasyland Hotel Edmonton. Resolutions for review will be dealt with at the conference.

c. MRRRWQSI Update
Unofficial Summary Notes
Cost Estimate – nutrient settlement pond
Site Plan

S. Hathaway left the meeting at 2:05 pm

S. Hathaway returned to the meeting at 2:10 pm

G. Krokosh left the meeting at 2:05 pm
G. Krokosh returned to the meeting at 2:10 pm

ADDITIONS

Proposed Shop – Administration met with Echo design on Jan 11/16 and went over the final design of the building layout and site map of where the building will be located.

G. Krokosh left the meeting at 2:30 pm
G. Krokosh returned to the meeting at 2:35 pm

(16-01-08)

R. Jones moved to recommend to Council to proceed with plans to construct a new County Ag Services shop/office complex on the county owned lands west of the current Public Works Shop, and investigate loan options.

Carried

NEXT MEETING

February 9, 2016

ADJOURNMENT
(16-01-09)

D. Heggie moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 pm

Carried.

Chairman

Ag Fieldman