

FEB. 15, 2017

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FAIRVIEW NO. 136, HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FAIRVIEW MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FAIRVIEW ALBERTA ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2017 COMMENCING AT 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Allan McLachlan	ASB Member
Kent Moskalyk	ASB Member
Jack Mehlsen	ASB Member – Vice Chairman
Phil Kolodychuk	Councillor
Bev Wieben	Councillor – Chairman

REGRETS

Sandra Fox	CAO
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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Fred Sawchuk	Agricultural Fieldman
Shawna Schwerdt	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Wieben called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

AGENDA

Addition:

- 7. Delegation-Cody Creelman of Mosaic Veterinary Partners Ltd.
- 9E. – Brought forward from Chairs Meeting ASB Conference (Verbal).
- 9F. – ASB Conference Farmers Advocate News (Verbal).

Member McLachlan

Moved that the ASB adopt the agenda for the February 15, 2017 Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Meeting as presented with the above noted addition.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES – DEC. 20, 2016

Member McLachlan

Moved that the ASB approve the December 20, 2016 ASB Meeting Minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

FINANCE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Financial Statement dated February 13, 2017 was reviewed. Discussed report dates, note: report dates are cut off monthly.

Member Mehlsen

Moved that the ASB accept the Financial Statement dated as of February 13, 2017 as presented.

CARRIED.

**AGRICULTURAL
SERVICE BOARD
2017 DRAFT
BUDGET #2**

The ASB 2017 Draft Budget #2 was discussed and additional changes were made.

Paused 9:25 a.m. to take a phone call from Delegation.

DELEGATIONS

**MOSAIC
VETERINARY
PARTNERS LTD.**

9:25 a.m. Call from: Cody Creelman, Mosaic Veterinary Partners Ltd. discussed plans to go forward with supporting the Veterinarians at the Fairview Veterinary Clinic Ltd. and in the Peace Region. He wants to provide quality education and support, that would include surgeons coming up for training/teaching days or sending Veterinarians for continued education. He said supports to the Veterinarians and their spouses would also help, for example a welcome package including passes to/around the Community for them to try different venues. He would like to try to talk to veterinarian school students at a meet and greet event twice a year to let them know what it is like up here in northern Alberta. He stressed communication is the key and encourages ASB and other interested heads talk and show the veterinarians support. Fred requested an email from Cody stating what he discussed. Phil and Bev will take what was discussed to GPRC(Fairview).
Call Ended 10:00 a.m.

Resumed 4B.

FINANCE

**AGRICULTURAL
SERVICE BOARD
2017 DRAFT
BUDGET #2 Cont.**

Member Moskalyk

Moved that the addition to budget include purchase of Round-up and Surfactant totaling \$1122.00 for 40 ditch miles.

CARRIED.

Member Mehlsen

Moved that the ASB direct Agricultural Fieldman to make changes to the ASB 2017 Draft Budget #2 and bring forward these changes for Council to review.

CARRIED.

**Break 10:05 a.m.
Resumed 10:15 a.m.**

V.S.I.

Reviewed V.S.I. information presented on the 2017 V.S.I. requisition.

Member Mehlsen

Moved that the ASB accept the V.S.I. 2017 requisition letter as information.

CARRIED.

STAFF REPORTS

AG. FIELDMAN REPORT

The Agricultural Fieldman, Fred Sawchuk's reports were provided to ASB for review. Attached as Schedule "A". More information was requested from Agricultural Fieldman be brought forward to next meeting on summarizing his Farm Tech. attendance.

Member Kolodychuk

Moved that the ASB accept the Agricultural Fieldman's reports as presented.

CARRIED.

REGIONAL ASB CONFERENCE

Reviewed resolutions that were carried at the ASB Provincial Conference. One issue discussed was Bison within the surrounding Wood Buffalo National Park. Another item discussed was Ag plastic recycling as this will be an ongoing problem.

Member Moskalyk

Moved that the ASB accept the Regional ASB Conference discussion as information.

CARRIED.

MEMBERS CONCERNS/REPORTS

PENDING REPORT FROM DEC. 20, 2017

The Pending Report from December 20, 2016 was reviewed. There was a discussion on the "No Charges" for GPRC utilities and shutting them off. The utilities will be left on and kept as is.

10:44 a.m. Bev Wieben left.

Discussed NE-05-82-03-W6 (+/-)5 acres that is owned by the Municipal District of Fairview No. 136. This property was discussed if it should be arable land or left as it is and ASB decided to leave it as is.

10:50 a.m. Bev Wieben returned.

Member McLachlan

Moved that the ASB accept the Pending Report dated December 20, 2016 as presented.

CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

FAIRVIEW VETERINARY PARTNERS LTD. INFO.

Letter from Fairview Veterinary Partners Ltd. Info. Was presented to ASB.

Member Mehlsen

Moved that ASB accept the Fairview Veterinary Partners Ltd. letter as information.

CARRIED.

**FUSARIUM HEAD
BLIGHT POLICY**

Reviewed the changes in the new Fusarium Head Blight (FHB) Control Program Policy. Discussed how FHB spreads and reassured that weed inspectors will not contaminate other fields because it does not spread like clubroot. They inspect 50 (+/-) fields yearly.

Member Moskalyk

Moved that the ASB accept the new Fusarium Head Blight (FHB) Control Program Policy.
CARRIED.

Member Mehlsen

Moved that the ASB accept the changes in the new Fusarium Head Blight Control Program Policy include, the MD of Fairview will re-pay the Fairview Co-operative Seed Cleaning Plant up to a maximum of \$4000.000 in total per year for sample testing and a maximum of 2 samples per year per producer will be accepted.
CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

**TERMS OF
REFERENCE &
ENVIRONMENTAL
STREAM
FUNDING**

Discussion about the six municipalities that are bordering/adjacent to the Peace River will be partnering for 2017-2019 and how reporting will be combined making it easier for Peace Country Beef and Forage Association.

Member McLachlan

Moved that the ASB accept the Terms of Reference for Partnering Municipalities Supporting Peace Country Beef and Forage Association.

CARRIED.

**ALBERTA FARM
FRESH
PRODUCERS
ASSOC.
INFO. FOR
FUNDING**

Discussion about denying sponsorship for the Alberta Farm Fresh Producers Association (AFFPA). ASB felt they have not sponsored them in the past and that AFFPA could access other resources for funding. There are not sufficient number of growers in our Municipality.

Member Mehlsen

Moved that the ASB do not sponsor Alberta Farm Fresh Producers Association.

**FARM
SAFETY**

Letter from Farm Safety was presented to ASB to review.

Member McLachlan

Moved that ASB accept letter as information.

CARRIED.

**2017 ASB
SUMMER TOUR**

April 15th, 2017 is early registration date for 2017 ASB Summer Tour.

Member Kolodychuk

**Moved that ASB accept letter from
Provincial Agricultural Service Board
Summer tour with the dates
July 11-14, 2017 as information.**

CARRIED.

**DISCUSSION
BROUGHT
FORWARD
FROM CHAIRS
MEETING**

Discussion about municipalities that no longer want to support being a GMO/Roundup ready Alfalfa free municipality took place. The two issues identified were “Should Monsanto/Bayer be lobbied to put a stop to allowing Terms of Agreements (TUA) of Roundup Ready Alfalfa grown in Peace Region” and the second issue “is it affordable/sustainable to put it in our Weed Act”. The testing kits are \$40.00 which makes it unlikely to be affordable. ASB requested Agricultural Fieldman to finding out what Fairview municipality alfalfa growers think about GMO/Roundup ready alfalfa and should it be grown in this municipality or not and bring this polled information to next meeting.

**ASB
CONFERENCE**

Farmers Advocate site has new releases which includes wind and solar information as an alternative energy. This technology is coming and there is a meeting at Dunvegan Motor Inn in Fairview to discuss this. Date not disclosed as of now.

INFORMATION ITEMS

ASB was presented with the following information for review:

- 10 A. – Email with Carly Shaw and Agricultural Fieldman Fred Sawchuk
- 10 B. – Soil Health & Carbon Day Information
- 10 C. – PCBFA Annual General Meeting
- 10 D. – ALUS Meeting Feb/22/17 Dunvegan Motor Inn at 10:00 a.m.

Member McLachlan

**Moved that ASB accept the
information items as presented.**

CARRIED.

**ASB
MEETING**

The Next ASB meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 29, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wieben

**Moved that the FEBRUARY 15,
2017 ASB Meeting be adjourned at
12:18 p.m.**

CARRIED.

CHAIRMAN

AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN