# Meeting Minutes of the

Agricultural Service Board – Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 November 29, 2023 – MD Council Chambers

Present:

Chair Frank Welsch, Vice Chair Martin Puch, Councillor Tony Bruder

and Member Anna Welsch.

Also Present:

CAO Roland Milligan, Agricultural Fieldman Shane Poulson, and

Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Absent:

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

Chair Frank Welsch opened the meeting at 1:35 pm.

#### A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Martin Puch 23/036

Moved that agenda for November 29, 2023 amended to table the appointment of the Chair/Vice Chair, to a following meeting,

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

## B. DELEGATION

#### C. MINUTES

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/037

Moved that the minutes of September 6, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

## D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

CAO Roland Milligan overviewed with ASB the water concerns that the MD is still dealing with. At present time the MD is still hauling water and working on a short term and long term plan.

Councillor Tony Bruder updated ASB that the Waterton Biosphere can now do dead stock pick up for the entire MD. More information will come forward from the biosphere.

Councillor Tony Bruder asked if any weed letters have been sent to Pieridae Energy, Agricultural Fieldman stated that he hasn't to date, but will starting in January 2024.

#### E. <u>UNFINISHED</u> BUSINESS

#### F. 2023 AES DEPARTMENT REPORT

Anna Welsch 23/038

Moved to accept for information the departmental reports from the Agricultural Fieldman for September and October, 2023.

Carried

#### G. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 1. For Action

a) 2024 BMO Farm Family Awards - Nomination

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/039

Moved that ASB Nominate Brian and Lana Zoratti (Zoratti Ranches) for the 2024 BMO Farm Family Award.

Carried

b) 2024 Provincial ASB Conference January 22-24, 2024 Auction Request

Anna Welsch

23/040

Moved that ASB direct the Ag Fieldman to purchase local art, in the amount between \$300 to \$500, towards a donation for an auction item during the 2024 Provincial ASB Conference;

AND THAT this amount be determined based on budget approval.

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/041

Moved that any board members wishing to attend the 2024 Provincial ASB Conference on January 22-24, 2024 be authorized to attend,

AND THAT board members advise prior to January 5, 2024 to allow for registration.

Carried

c) Foothills Forage and Grazing Association - Request for Funding

ASB Directed the Ag Fieldman to invite members of the Foothills Forage and Grazing Association to attend the meeting in January, at which time ASB will make a decision regarding their request for 2024 funding.

#### 2. For Information

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Martin Puch

23/042

Moved that the following be received as information;

- a) Impact of Drought on MD Letter from Minister and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
- b) ALUS & RALP- Acronyms team up! Email dated November 2, 2023
- c) Moisture Situation Update as of November 8 2023 Maps

Carried

## H. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/043

Moved that ASB cancel the meeting for December,

AND THAT the meeting schedule for 2024 be as followed January 17, March 6, May 1, July 3, September 4, November 20.

Carried

#### I. CLOSED SESSION

J. NEXT MEETING – January 17, 2024

#### K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Anna Welsch

23/044

Moved to adjourn the meeting, the time being 2:48 pm.

Carried

ASB Chairperson

**ASB** Secretary