#### **Meeting Minutes** of the Agricultural Service Board – Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 November 26, 2015 – MD Council Chambers

- Present: Chairperson Susan Vogelaar, Vice Chair John Lawson, Councillor Quinten Stevickk, Councillor Fred Schoening, Member Martin Puch, Member Frank Welsch
- Also Present: CAO Wendy Kay, Director of Operations Leo Reedyk, Agricultural Fieldman Shane Poulsen, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman Lindsey Cockerill and Receptionist Jessica McClelland

Chairperson Susan Vogelaar called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.

A. Election of Chairperson

CAO Wendy Kay opened the floor to nominations for Chairperson.

Councillor Schoening nominated Susan Vogelaar for Chair. Upon no further nominations, Susan Vogelaar accepted and was named Chairperson.

**Election of Vice Chairperson** 

Vice CAO Wendy Kay opened the floor nominations for Chairperson.

Councillor Schoening nominated John Lawson as Vice Chairperson, Susan Vogelaar seconded nomination. Upon no further nominations, John Lawson accepted and was named Vice Chairperson.

Chairperson Vogelaar assumed the chair.

CAO Wendy Kay left the meeting at this time.

#### B. Adoption of Agenda

**Councillor Schoening** 

Moved to amend the agenda to include the following under "New Business"

- Agricultural Service Board recognition for prior members
- \_ Bill 6, Farm and Ranch Working Legislation

And that the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried.

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## C. SAFETY ORIENTATION

Director of Operations Leo Reedyk reviewed safety procedures for the new board members, pertaining to the MD office building.

#### D. Adoption of Minutes

**Councillor Schoening** 

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Moved to accept the minutes from October 1, 2015 with the amendments to the year on the final page of the minutes.

Carried.

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

Beavers at Bobby Burns Fish Pond

Leo Reedyk updated the ASB that the prior issue of Beavers at the Bobby Burns Fish Pond is resolved, as the beavers have been removed.

## F. ASB TERMS OF REFERENCE

Director of Operations Leo Reedyk reviewed the newly adopted ASB Terms of Reference. A binder of information was provided for each of the new board members.

## G. AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

(1) October Departmental Report(2) AES Call Log (no complaints to report)

John Lawson

Moved to accept the Agricultural and Environmental Services Report for October 2015 as information.

Carried.

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## H. NEW ASB BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION

Director of Operations Leo Reedyk and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman Lindsey Cockerill, reviewed with the new board members the following:

(1) ASB Orientation Package 2015

(2) ASB Calendar – Year at a glance

## I. TECHNICAL LARGE ANIMAL EMERGENCY RESCUE

(2) Chipmen Creek Crossing – Trout Unlimited Project (3) Chipmen Creek Crossing – S <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 34-5-1 W5 (Reners Farm Unimproved Road)

**Councillor Schoening** 

J. CONSERVATION PROJECTS

(1) Halton Dam Fencing Project

Recommended that while all 3 projects have merit, depending on funding, option 1 (Halton Dam Fencing Project) be first priority;

AND THAT funding through other partnerships be explored;

Carried

Councillor Stevick left the meeting at this time, the time being 11:56AM.

# K. 2016 PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD CONFERENCE

The 2016 Provincial ASB conference is scheduled for January 18 to 21, 2016 at the Fantasyland Hotel in Edmonton. All board members are invited to attend and should let Lindsey know so that arrangements can be made.

# L. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Spotted Knapweed in Southwestern Alberta

Lindsey Cockerill and Chairperson Susan Vogelaar will work together to amend the letter prior to it being sent to Ministers and Council. Amendments to include mentioning that the MD of Pincher Creek has a vested interest as we border 2 of the named MD's, Waterton National Park and the new Castle Crown Provincial Park.

b) BMO Farm Family Award – list of past recipients was handed out. Board is encouraged to bring forth names for nomination at the meeting in January.

H. NEW BUSINESS

AND FURTHER THAT all three of these projects be on the 2016 Council road tour.

Recommend to Council to agree to take the lead role to organize a conference with regards to the Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue, conditional to other Municipalities and organizations involvement and commitment.

John Lawson

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Carried

(1) ASB Recognition

Past members will be invited to a private function with staff and current board members, as a thank you for their years of service.

(2) Bill 6- Farm and Ranch Working Legislation

It was encouraged for all board members to look into researching the proposed bill regarding Farm and Ranch Working Legislation, and to attend one of the upcoming sessions to discuss the bi.

I. NEXT MEETING - January 7, 2016 at 9:30am

#### J. ADJOURNMENT

**Councillor Schoening** 

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Carried.

Moved to adjourn the meeting, the time being 12:36PM

ASB Chairperson

ASB Sec