Meeting Minutes of the

Agricultural Service Board – Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 May 5, 2016 – MD Council Chambers

Present: Vice Chair John Lawson, Councillor Quentin Stevick, Councillor Fred

Schoening, Members Martin Puch, and Frank Welsch

Also Present: Director of Operations Leo Reedyk, Agricultural Services Manager Shane

Poulsen, Environmental Services Technician Lindsey Cockerill, Receptionist

Jessica McClelland

Absent: Chairperson Susan Vogelaar and AARD Key Contact Bradley Smith

Vice Chairperson John Lawson called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Martin Puch 16/046

Moved that the agenda be amended to include: New Business –

- a) Southern Alberta Weed Coordinator Report
- b) Farm Family Awards Brunch Invitation

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councillor Schoening

16/047

Moved that the minutes of March 31, 2016 be amended to correct the spelling of Welsh to Welsch:

AND THAT the minutes be approved as amended.

Carried

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C. ASB KEY CONTACT REPORT

Frank Welsch 16/048

Moved that the ASB accept the email report from AARD Key Contact Bradley Smith, as information.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) TLAER Update (Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue)

Martin Puch 16/049

Moved that the Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue seminar on May 18 & 19, be received as information.

Carried

E. AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

Councillor Schoening

16/050

Moved to accept the Agricultural and Environmental Services Departmental Report for April 2016, as information.

Carried

F. TRANSBOUNDARY WATER, WEEDS & STEWARDSHIP TOUR

Councillor Schoening

16/051

Moved that 4 (four) rooms be reserved for the Transboundary Water, Weeds & Stewardship tour in East Glacier, Montana August 8 to 10, 2016;

AND THAT participation is first come first serve;

AND FURTHER THAT Agricultural Service Board cover the cost of registration and accommodation.

Carried

G. CORRESPONDENCE

b) Report on Weed-Biocontrol Activities in Alberta

Councillor Schoening

16/052

Moved that administration be directed to write a letter addressed to the Federal Agriculture Minister regarding the importance of the continued support of the Weed Biocontrol research and distribution programs in Canada and the value of the program as an environmentally sustainable method for controlling and eradicating invasive plants;

AND THAT the letter be copied to the Provincial Agriculture Minister.

Carried

c) Pole Haven – What Happened? And What Happens Now?

Councillor Stevick

16/053

Moved that the information on "Pole Haven – What Happened? And What Happens Now?" be tabled to the following meeting pending further information from our AARD Key Contact Bradley Smith.

Carried

Councillor Stevick

16/054

Moved that the following items be received as information:

- a) Letter from Deputy Minister Brad Pickering
- d) Integrated Invasive Plant Management from Oldman Watershed

Carried

K. NEW BUSINESS

a) Southern Alberta Weed Coordinator Report

Councillor Schoening

16/055

Moved that the Southern Alberta Weed Coordinator Report be received as information.

Carried

b) Farm Family Awards Brunch Invitation

Martin Puch 16/056

Moved that Councillor Schoening be authorized to attend the Farm Family Awards brunch on July 11, 2016.

Carried

M. NEXT MEETING

The next ASB meeting will be held, June 2, 2016, at 9:30 am.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Schoening

16/057

Moved to adjourn/the meeting, the time being 11:39 am.

ASB Chairperson

ASB Secretary