

AG SERVICE BOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

A meeting of the County of Warner Agriculture Service Board was held at the County of Warner administration office on September 15, 2009. Present were R. Taylor, R. Lindeman, G. Krokosh, R. Ford, J. Meeks Sr., A. Romeril, W. Cunningham, R. Jones, K. Palmer, J. Meeks Jr.

R. Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

R. Ford joined the meeting at 9:03 am.

MINUTES

J. Meeks Jr. presented the minutes from May 12, 2009.

(09-09-01)

G. Krokosh moved to accept the minutes as presented.

Carried.

ADDITIONS TO
THE AGENDA

- a. Rabies Correspondence
- b. Grey Wooded Forage Association Annual Report

(09-09-02)

R. Jones moved to accept additions to the agenda.

Carried.

BUSINESS
ARISING

Stirling Drainage – Jim Hironaka

Delegation: Mark Jensen, is coming in at 10:30 to discuss the issues brought up in Jim Hironaka's letters regarding the Stirling Drain.

Delegations: Wally Sawchuck joined the meeting at 9:45 am. He provided a brief introduction about himself and his position with Alberta Agriculture. He provides information for producers and municipalities and is working on several different projects: Land Use Framework, Age Verification/Traceability, Growing Forward

Council wishes to know when there are updates or information on new programs coming through Alberta Agriculture. Wally will phone Jamie when he knows of information that would be relevant to our programs or if we have questions at any time we can contact him to meet with council.

RECESS

R. Taylor called for a recess at 10:21 am.

R. Taylor called the meeting back to order at 10:41 am.

Mark Jensen from the Raymond Irrigation District joined the meeting as a delegation to discuss the Stirling Drainage concerns. Mark left the meeting at 11:26 am.

(09-09-03)

R. Jones moved to draft a letter stating that after meeting with members of the Raymond Irrigation District, Council feels that the Stirling Drain is being managed in an effective and efficient manner and to send it to Jim Hironaka as a response to his concerns.

Carried.

REPORTS

Ag Fieldman Report - J. Meeks Jr. presented his report and is attached as Appendix 'A'.

(09-09-04)

R. Ford moved to look into the price and options for replacing the "County of Warner Points of Interest" signs at Gold springs Park and anywhere else they are located in the County.

One Opposed.
Carried.

(09-09-05)

R. Jones moved to receive the Ag Fieldman Report as presented.

Carried.

R. Taylor called for a lunch break at 12:06 pm.

R. Taylor called the meeting back to order at 12:53 pm.

Conservation Technician - R. Lindeman presented her report and is attached as Appendix 'B'.

(09-09-06) R. Ford moved to receive the Conservation Technician Report as presented.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE Occupational Health and Safety on the Farm

(09-09-07) J. Meeks Sr. moved to send a response letter indicating the County of Warner is in favor of Option #1.

One Opposed.
Carried.

NEW BUSINESS Weir Bridge Day Use Area and Enhancement GAF Application

We have received word from Canadian Badlands that we received the grant money for the Day Use Area at Weir Bridge.

(09-09-08) R. Ford moved to proceed with the Weir Bridge Day Use Area upon receiving written approval regarding the GAF Grant.

Carried.

2009 ASB South Regional Conference – October 28th, 2009 in Acadia Valley

Council will leave at 12:00 noon with ASB trucks on October 27, 2009 for the October 28th, 2009 Regional Meeting. Everyone is attending and rooms are booked.

Rabies Surveillance Program in Southern Alberta

(09-09-09) R. Jones moved to receive the Rabies Surveillance Program package as information.

Carried.

Town of Milk River – Use of Great Plains Seed Drills for 300 acres of land

Shawn Hathaway – Town of Milk River Administrator has thought about using the drills. If a formal request is made to use the drills Jamie will deal with it as needed.

Future of the AESA Program

NEXT MEETING Next meeting on October 13, 2009.

ADJOURN
(09-09-10)

G. Krokosh moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:26 p.m.

Carried.

Chairman

Ag Fieldman