1 of 3 November 14, 2018 Minutes of a Meeting of the Agricultural Service Board of the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, Province of Alberta, held November 14, 2018 at

the Municipal Office, Berwyn, Alberta.

**Present** 

Chairman

Sandra Eastman Janice Reyda

Councillor Member Members at Large

Judy Bowcott
Nigel Thorne

Nigel Thorne Christi Friesen George Leger

Manager of Agricultural Services

Nasar Iqbal

Recording Secretary

Lelia Sumner

Regrets

Rick Keillor

**Brian Grant** 

Call to Order

Chairman Eastman called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda

Judy Bowcott:

MOVED that the agenda for the November 14, 2018 ASB meeting be adopted with the following additions:

F.9. Seed Royalty Meeting

F.10. ASB Conference Calgary

Carried

Approval of Minutes

July 25, 2018 Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Janice Reyda:

MOVED that the minutes of the July 25, 2018 ASB

meeting be approved.

Carried

**Business Arising Out of Minutes** 

None

Reports

1. Manager of Ag Services Report

The Manager of Agricultural Services reviewed his written report, outlining

his activities.

Christi Friesen joined the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Janice Reyda:

MOVED that the Manager of Ag Services Report be

accepted as presented.

Carried

**New Business** 

1. 2019 ASB Strategic Plan & Budget

Janice Reyda:

MOVED that the 2019 ASB Strategic Plan & Budget

has been reviewed and accepted with no changes.

Carried

2. Clubroot in MD of Peace

George Leger joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Janice Reyda asked that a representative from the Canola Council be invited to a future meeting. This will help the board to review and update the current policy with new research that is now available.

Chairman Eastman called for short break at 10:35 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:49 a.m.

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**New Business** Continued

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MOVED that the Budget line item Testing be adjusted from \$5,000 to \$10,000 to reflect the

additional testing for Clubroot.

Carried

George Leger:

Nigel Thorne:

MOVED that a media release be sent out immediately following contact with landowner and producer regarding a positive test result for Clubroot of Canola.

Carried

#### 3. 2019 Shelterbelt Program

Item was accepted as information.

## 4. Purchase of Mower and Tractor

Item was accepted as information.

# 5. Benefit Cap for Producers Under VSI Program Update

Janice Reyda:

MOVED that producers that are approaching the \$1,800

cap on V.S.I. Services be made aware that they are

approaching the limit.

Carried

#### 6. Rental Equipment

The grain bag roller was discussed and it should be available to rent to landowners in Clear Hill County and the MD of Fairview as well to MD of Peace landowners.

Janice Reyda:

MOVED to direct the Manager of Ag Services to revise

the equipment rental contract to cover third party

liability when renting ASB equipment.

Carried

Mowing at intersections was discussed and it was noted that ASB mowers should not be going onto private property to cut grass.

Nigel Thorne:

MOVED that the rental amount for tractor and mower for weed notice enforcement be changed to \$200/hr.

Carried

#### 7. GE Alfalfa MGA Bylaw

Information was accepted as information.

#### 8. Letter on Neonicotinoid Phaseout

Janice Reyda:

MOVED to authorize Sandra Eastman to send to the Pest Management Regulatory Agency in Ottawa, a revised version of the Neonicotinoid Product Phaseout letter on Municipal District of Peace letterhead.

Carried

# 9. Seed Royalty Meeting

Manager of Ag Services was asked to look into more information on the meetings and to email the information to the board members.

# 10. ASB Conference in Calgary in January

The information was shared with the board.

## Members' **Business**

Christi Friesen wanted to find out thoughts on Mental Health Awareness regarding the agriculture community. She asked if the board would be interested in hosting some sort of event. The board agreed to have Christi look into this for more details.

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Information

1. Letter from Peace Country Beef & Forage Association

George Leger excused himself from the meeting at 1:13 p.m.

This item was accepted as information.

**Next Meeting** 

The next Agricultural Service Board meeting will be determined once

requested information has been gathered.

Adjournment

Being that the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned

at 1:48p.m.

Chairman

Manager of Agricultural Services

These minutes approved by Council the 9th day of April 2019.

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Chief Administrative Officer