

# **Agricultural Service Board**

Agenda

Council Chamber, County Centre, Nisku, AB

Monday, December 11, 2023

- Order 10:00 a.m.
   Adoption of agenda
- Adoption of previous minutesNovember 20, 2023 Agricultural Service Board meeting
- 4. Public presentations
  No presentations scheduled
- 5. Department reports and recommendations a) Action items progress report A.Van Beers b) Agricultural Services department activity report Ag Svs staff c) Appointment of Weed and Pest Appeal Committees N. Berg d) 2023 Provincial Agricultural Service Board conference - resolutions A.Van Beers 6. Information items a) Letter from County of Minburn A.Van Beers ٧ b) Letter from Municipal District of Bighorn A.Van Beers c) Email response from Minister Sigurdson to Lac Ste. Anne County A.Van Beers d) Increasing capacity for veterinary medicine A.Van Beers e) Upcoming Events – Light the Night: Winter Luminary A.Van Beers
- 7. Next meeting date Monday, January 15, 2024
- 8. Adjournment







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Minutes

Council Chamber, Leduc County Centre, Nisku, AB Monday, December 11, 2023

#### Order and roll call

The meeting was called to order at 9:58 a.m. on Monday, December 11, 2023 by Glenn Belozer as chair and board members Kelly-Lynn Lewis, Dal Virdi, Tanni Doblanko, Ray Scobie, Rick Smith, Larry Wanchuk, and public members-at-large Debbie Hofstra and Russell Kushinski present.

#### Other attendees

- Garett Broadbent, Director Road Operations and Agricultural Services
- Aaron Van Beers, Manager Agricultural Services
- Nathanael Berg, Coordinator Agricultural Services
- Sharon Faye, Coordinator Local Food
- Kim Barkwell, Coordinator Sustainable Agriculture
- Nicole Fuhsel, Administrative Assistant Agricultural Services

# Agenda adoption

**065-2023** Board member Doblanko – that the agenda for the Monday, December 11, 2023 Agricultural Service Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

#### Previous minutes – November 20, 2023

066-2023 Board member Wanchuk – that the minutes for the November 20, 2023 Agricultural Service Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

# Action items progress report

067-2023 Board member Scobie – that the Agricultural Service Board accept the action items progress report as information.

Carried Unanimously

#### Agricultural Services department activity report

068-2023 Board member Lewis – that the Agricultural Service Board accept the Agricultural Services department activity report for the November 2023 reporting period as information.

Carried Unanimously

### **Appointment of Weed and Pest Appeal Committees**

069-2023 Board member Doblanko – that the Agricultural Service Board approve the appointment of the following individuals as members of the Leduc County Weed Appeal Committee and Pest Appeal Committee for the 2024 calendar year, January 1 through December 31:

- 1. Doug Balzer
- 2. Alan Halwa
- 3. Rodney Sagert

Carried Unanimously

#### 2023 Provincial Agricultural Service Board conference – resolutions

Agricultural Manager Aaron Van Beers provided a review of the resolutions that will be presented at the upcoming 2024 Provincial Agricultural Service Board conference:

- 1-24 Agricultural Equipment Highway Signs
- 2-24 Compensating Producers for Ecosystem Services
- 3-24 Creation of Livestock Production Insurance
- 4-24 Supporting a Compensation Multiplier
- 5-24 Wild Boar and the Alberta Agricultural Pest Act
- 6-24 Improving the Sustainability of Canadian Apiculture Through Bee Package Imports and the Control of Varroa Mites
- 7-24 Re-Registration of 2% Liquid Strychnine for Certified Applicators

#### 070-2023

Board member Kushinski – that Administration investigate the potential of a bylaw restricting the development of wild boar farms in Leduc County.

Carried Unanimously

**071-2023** Board member Lewis – that the Agricultural Service Board accept the December 11, 2023 report regarding the 2024 Provincial Agricultural Service Board conference as information.

Carried Unanimously

#### Information items

**072-2023** Board member Scobie – that the Agricultural Service Board accept the following correspondence as information:

- a) Letter from County of Minburn
- b) Letter from Municipal District of Bighorn
- c) Email response from Minister Sigurdson to Lac Ste. Anne County
- d) Increasing capacity for veterinary medicine
- e) Upcoming Events Light the Night: Winter Luminary

Carried Unanimously

#### Adjournment

**073-2023** Board member Kushinski – that the Agricultural Service Board meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously

The Agricultural Service Board meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Agricultural Service Bodrd Chair

Manager - Agricultural Services