# Meeting Minutes of the

# Agricultural Service Board – Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 September 1, 2021 – via GoToMeeting

Present: Chair Frank Welsch, Councillor Bev Everts and Councillor Quentin

Stevick and Member David Robbins

Also Present: Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan,

Agricultural Fieldman Shane Poulson, and Executive Assistant Jessica

McClelland.

Absent: Members Anna Welsch, and Martin Puch

Chair Frank Welsch called the meeting to order at 1:40 pm.

## A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Bev Everts

21/035

Moved that agenda for September 1, 2021 be amended to remove Texas Gate Policy discussion, and add the information on the ALUS program,

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

### **B. DELEGATION**

### C. MINUTES

Councillor Bev Everts

21/036

Moved that the minutes of June 16, 2021 be amended to remove the word "Councillor" from member Martin Puch's name,

AND THAT the minutes be approved as amended.

Carried

## D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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

a) ALUS Update

Kelly Cooly provided an information update on the potential Alternative Land Use System (ALUS) funding and program.

b) Update Regarding Coal Policy

ASB was updated on the coal policy, the MD's stance on water licensing issues and meetings that have taken place.

## F. 2021 AES DEPARTMENT REPORT

David Robbins 21/037

Moved to accept the departmental report from the Agricultural Fieldman for July, August and September 2021.

Carried

## G. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. For Action
- 2. For Information

David Robbins 21/038

Moved that the following be received as information:

- AFGA Information Circular Cervid Harvesting Preserves
- List of Municipalities that have declared agricultural disasters due to drought

Carried

#### H. NEW BUSINESS

a) C-AES-001 License of Occupation

Councillor Quentin Stevick

21/039

Moved that as the ASB has now reviewed policy C-AES-001 License of Occupation, that it be forwarded to Council for approval.

Carried

b) Discussion about hosting an event relating to 'feeding cattle in a drought'

Councillor Bey Everts

21/040

Moved that at the next ASB meeting, members be provided any updates regarding support for farmers and ranchers in upcoming seminars to deal with issues related to drought conditions, financial assistance, feeding sources, and best practices,

AND THAT this information be made available through social media and in hard copy in the MD office for those wanting to access it.

Carried

c) Discussion about Kochia and whether to elevate it

ASB members discussed Kochia and any need to elevate it on the noxious weed list. At present time kochia will not be elevated.

d) Potential events for this winter

**David Robbins** 

21/041

Moved that AES staff continue with planning for the following winter events:

- DoMoreAg scheduled for November 16 & 17, 2021 (more information to come)
- Working Well (online)

Carried

Councillor Bev Everts

21/042

Moved that the ASB provide a draft resolution to the South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference, hosted by Cardston County in Cardston, in support of the reinstatement of a key contact/provincial experts

Carried

I. NEXT MEETING

October 7, 2021

J. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Quentin Stevick

21/043

Moved to adjourn the meeting, the time being 3:52 pm.

Carried

SB Chairperson

**ASB** Secretary