Meeting Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board – Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 January 15, 2025 – Virtual Meeting

Present: Chair Anna Welsch, Councillor Tony Bruder, Councillor Jim Welsch,

Members Frank Welsch, Mark Zoratti and Martin Puch.

Also Present: CAO Roland Milligan, Agricultural Fieldman Shane Poulsen,

Agricultural Technician Jesson Luco, and Executive Assistant Jessica

McClelland.

Mark Zorratti chaired and opened the meeting at 1:30 pm via Teams.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Tony Bruder

25/001

Moved that agenda for January 15, 2025 be amended to include the addition of a discussion on a coyote bounty in the MD,

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

C. MINUTES

Frank Welsch 25/002

Moved that the minutes of November 20, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Council approved updated Terms of Reference on November 26, 2024
- b) 2025 ASB Conference

Due to scheduleing conflicts, board members will not be in attendance at the upcoming ASB Conference.

E. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

F. 2025 AES DEPARTMENT REPORT

Councillor Jim Welsch

25/003

Moved to accept for information the departmental reports from the Agricultural Fieldman for December 2024, and January 2025.

Carried

G. <u>WEED NOTICE</u>

H. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. For Action
 - a) Farm Family 2025

Councillor Tony Bruder

25/004

Moved to nominate DU Ranch (Dan and Puff McKim) for the 2025 Calgary Stampede Farm Family of the Year.

Carried

- 2. For Information
 - a) Control Strategies for Gopher, Ungulate & Predators
 - Foothills Forage and Grazing Association

I. NEW BUSINESS

a) Discussion on a Coyote Bounty in the MD

Although ASB acknowledges the issues with the coyote population in the Municipality, they do not feel that starting a bounty program would be something that can be administered through the MD.

b) Public Engagement

ASB discussed the need for more public engagement through seminars and workshops and to show the community what the ASB's role is. Members will be sent the updated Terms of Reference to review. ASB Fieldman stated that now that the Ag Technician is on staff, that person will be able to organize more engagement sessions for the community.

J. CLOSED SESSION

K. NEXT MEETING – March 5, 2025 at 1:30 pm

K. ADJOURNMENT

Martin Puch 25/005

Moved to adjourn the meeting, the time being 2:33 pm.

Carried

ASB Secretary