

**FIVE HUNDRED AND FOUR
M.D. OF BONNYVILLE NO. 87
AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING**

Minutes of
December 14,
2023

Minutes of the Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board meeting held on December 14, 2023.

Present:

Present at the meeting were:

Josh Crick	Councillor, Chair
Mike Krywiak	Councillor
Luc Tellier	Farmer Member
Blake Pikowicz	Farmer Member
Janice Boden	Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
Alyssa Krawchuk	Executive Director, LARA
Sandy Slevinsky	Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Councillor Josh Crick called the meeting to order at 9:58 a.m.

Agenda

Moved by Blake Pikowicz that the agenda be adopted as presented with two additions:

CARRIED

Minutes

Moved by Luc Tellier that the minutes of the M.D. of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on October 3, 2023, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Reports

Assistant
Agricultural
Fieldman

Janice Boden, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman, reported on the following:

1. Pest Control
2. Roadside Mowing
3. Weed Control & Crop Inspections
4. Agriculture Rental Equipment
5. VSI Program
6. Outreach Programs
7. Bonnyville Seed Cleaning Plant
8. Little Bear Aeration Project
9. Clean Farms Recycling

LARA

Alyssa Krawchuk, Executive Director, LARA, reported on the following:

1. Hosted the following extension activities.
 - Geco Engineering on Strategic Weed Management
 - Working Well Workshop
 - Young Farmers Social - Elaine Froese
 - Finding Fairness in Farm Transition
 - Talk. Ask. Listen Webinar
 - Funding Opportunities
2. Upcoming Workshop
 - Regenerative Alberta Living Labs – February 7, 2024 in Vilna
 - Livestock Water Management – January 31, 2024
 - Farmer Appreciation Night – February 9, 2024
 - Sheep & Goat Forum – February 13, 2024
 - Annual General Meeting & Research Update – March 6, 2024

Correspondence

The Board accepted the following correspondence as information:

1. NE ASB – Agriculture Education in the Classroom
2. 2023 Canada-Alberta Drought Livestock Assistance Program
3. Big Lakes County – Maintaining the Integrity of our Pesticide Regulatory System
4. Big Lakes County – Support for University of Calgary Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Programs
5. County of Warner – Appreciation for the Increase of Funding for Agricultural Service Boards
6. Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation Northeast Region Co-Liaison
7. Grazing School for Women
8. Alberta Invasive Species Council

Grazing School for Women

Moved by Luc Tellier that the M.D. of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board approves the request to pay up to \$1000 for the registration fees provided to local farming women to attend the 2024 Spring One-day Grazing School for Women.

CARRIED

Alberta Invasive Species Council

Moved by Councillor Mike Krywiak that the Agricultural Service Board remain as a member of the Alberta Invasive Species Council.

CARRIED

2024 Provincial ASB Conference

Moved by Luc Tellier that the M.D. of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board approves the Agricultural Service Board members to attend the Annual Agricultural Service Board Conference on January 22 - 24, 2024 in Lethbridge.

CARRIED

Alberta Native Bee Monitoring Program

Moved by Blake Pikowicz to support the goal of the Alberta Native Bee Monitoring Program to complete comprehensive surveys of native bee species in Alberta within the M.D. of Bonnyville.

CARRIED

VSI Applicant

Moved by Councillor Mike Krywiak that the ASB Board deny an agriculture producers application for VSI services whose residence is in the M.D. and the main farm location is in a neighboring County.

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Moved by Councillor Mike Krywiak that this meeting be adjourned.

Time of Adjournment 11:20 a.m.


CHAIRMAN


RECORDING SECRETARY