

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

Minutes of  
March 14, 2024

Minutes of the Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board meeting held on March 14, 2024.

Present:

Present at the meeting were:

Josh Crick	Councillor/Chairman
Mike Krywiak	Councillor
Luc Tellier	Farmer Member
Blake Pikowicz	Farmer Member
Mark Davediuk	Farmer Member
Matt Janz	Agricultural Fieldman
Janice Boden	Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
Alyssa Krawchuk	Executive Director, LARA
Maria Angelica Ouellette	Research Scientist, LARA
Lance Ouellette	Research Agrologist, LARA
Momna Farzard	Cropping Agrologist, LARA
Sandy Slevinsky	Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Councillor Josh Crick called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Introductions

New staff members from LARA were introduced to the Board.

Agenda

Moved by Luc Tellier that the agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

Minutes

Moved by Mark Davediuk that the minutes of the M.D. of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on December 14, 2023, be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

Reports

Assistant  
Agricultural  
Fieldman

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

1. Seasonal Staffing
2. Pest Programs
3. Equipment Rentals
4. Seminars/Training
5. ASB/ADM Biannual Townhall
6. Shelterbelt Program
7. Bonnyville Seed Plant

LARA

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

1. LARA hosted the following extension activities:
  - Farmer Appreciation Night
  - Sheep and Goat Forum
  - Gardening for Pollinators
  - Annual General Meeting
  - Innovation on The Ranch
2. Upcoming Workshops:
  - Environmental Farm Plan
  - It's Dry: Now What?
  - Making No-Till Vegetable Gardening Successful in the Canadian Prairies

Correspondence

The Board accepted the following correspondence as information:

1. Farm/Ranch Wildfire Plan Workbook
2. Dillis Pelletier – Alberta Agriculture & Irrigation
3. Brazeau County – 2024 Provincial ASB Conference
4. Brazeau County – 2023 Canada-Alberta Drought Livestock Assistance Initiative, 2023 Livestock Tax Deferral
5. MD Lesser Slave River/MD of Greenview/Brazeau County – 2023 Canada-Alberta Drought Livestock Assistance Initiative
6. Brazeau County – 2023 Agri Recovery Livestock Assistance Program
7. Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation – Sodium Monofluoroacetate
8. Northern Sunrise County – 2024 Proposed changes to Weed Control Regulation
9. Pest Management Regulatory Agency – Health Canada – Bill C-287
10. Northern Sunrise County – Bill C-287
11. Rebecca Schulz – Minister of Environment and Protected Areas - Drought
12. Alberta Farm Care Association (AFAC)
13. ASB Connector
14. On-Farm Climate Action Fund
15. Canadian Agricultural Human Resource Council

Pest Management Regulatory Agency – Health Canada – Bill C-287

Moved by Luc Tellier that the Agriculture Service Board send a letter to the Minister of Health Canada and Minister of Agriculture & Agri Food Canada regarding Bill C-287 which proposes a total ban on the use of glyphosate in Canada, asking to consider the damaging implications it will have on food production and exports within the Canadian Agriculture Sector.

CARRIED

2024 Rural Beautification Summer Tour

Moved by Blake Pikowicz that the Agriculture Service Board approve the date August 8, 2024 to host the 2024 Rural Beautification tour.

CARRIED

Moved by Mark Davediuk that the Agriculture Service Board approve to increase the rural beautification tour registration fee from \$20.00 to \$25.00 per person.

CARRIED


Lakeland Agriculture Research Association (LARA) – Annual Funding

Moved by Luc Tellier that the M.D. of Bonnyville No. 87 Agricultural Service Board approves the annual funding in the amount of \$80,000.00 to LARA for the 2024 operating season, plus \$65,000.00 to be funded from the approved 2024 Environmental Funding Stream from Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mike Krywiak that this meeting be adjourned.

Time of Adjournment 10:06 a.m.

  
CHAIRMAN

  
RECORDING SECRETARY