COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

April 20, 2015

1. The Agricultural Service Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman F. Sloan at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 20, 2015 at the County Office in St. Paul, there being present the following Members:

Councillor F. Sloan, Chairman

Councillor G. Ockerman

Councillor D. Dach

Councillor C. Martin

Councillor M. Fodness

Councillor L. Amyotte

Reeve Steve Upham

Sheila Kitz. CAO

Kyle Attanasio, Intern CAO

Dennis Bergheim, Agricultural Fieldman

Keith Kornelsen, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman

Warren Leister, ASB Field Officer

Betty Way, Recording Secretary

a. Agenda:

Additions to Item 4. g. Mower Bid

h. Transportation Spraying

i. Wild Boar

Moved by Councillor C. Martin to accept the Agenda as amended. **Carried.**

2. MINUTES

Adoption of October 28, 2014 Regular and Organizational Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Councillor M. Fodness to adopt the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Organizational Meeting and Regular Meeting held October 28, 2014 as presented. **Carried.**

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a. Emergency Livestock Trailer:

Dennis Bergheim informed Members that Kyle Attanasio has made an application for funding in the amount of \$25,000.00 through the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) with Application being due May 18, 2015. Members noted that this purchase was set within ASB's 2015 Budget at \$30,000.00.

Councillor F. Sloan informed Members that we will await acceptance of this Application before any decision is to be made upon Trailer Unit.

Councillor C. Martin moved that the ASB approve the Application for the Emergency Livestock Trailer. **Carried.**

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Explosive Magazine:

Dennis Bergheim made mention of our letter addressed to Explosives Regulatory Division (ERD) requesting an extension for the relocation of our Explosives Magazine from July 31, 2015 to July 31, 2016. A number of site locations will be assessed for proper relocation of this Magazine. Members discussed in detail the circumstances surrounding the storage of explosives. Members noted that a total of 50 Beaver Dams were blown throughout 2014. Keith Kornelsen, Assistant Agr. Fieldman will pursue in finding a suitable site.

b. Beaver Control:

Dennis Bergheim stated that Harold Schulz is doing a fine job of controlling beavers, especially where they are creating a problem with roadways and will be hired on for the coming season.

c. Coyote/Wolf Incentive Program:

Members glanced over chart of overall tallies from numbers of Coyotes/Wolves brought in for incentive payment.

Dennis Bergheim informed Members of date change to the termination of program, which will now end March 31 rather than April 30.

Councillor F. Sloan commented on a letter that will be addressed to our neighboring counterparts; Smoky Lake, Lac La Biche and Vermilion River, showing actual numbers and fees that were designated to the Coyote/Wolf Reduction Incentive Program.

Tallies were as follows: Coyotes: 1602 @ \$15.00 = \$24,030.00

Wolves: 13 @ \$75.00 = 975.00

Total: \$25,005.00

Councillor G. Ockerman moved that this letter be addressed to surrounding Counties as noted above, knowing that the Counties of Two Hills and Bonnyville are still on board. **Carried.**

Councillor C. Martin moved that the termination date for the Coyote/Wolf Incentive Program be changed to March 31. **Carried.**

d. Clubroot:

Keith Kornelsen informed Members of a meeting which took place at Flat Lake Hall with concern to Clubroot in Canola and a number of control measures which should be practiced by producers and if the disease is detected, a Management Plan will be put into place.

Keith Kornelsen spoke of a Survey which will be conducted over approximately twenty-five fields within the County throughout the month of August with a meeting held in November. Public awareness, through education and surveillance will be a key factor to keeping the disease under control. Members spoke of the possibility of cost-sharing a Student with the M.D. of Bonnyville.

Councillor G. Ockerman moved that the ASB Administration, compose an advertisement for educational awareness on Clubroot for area producers throughout the months of July and November. **Carried.**

e. Dog Control:

Warren Leister briefed Members in of changes to dog control in the absence of assistance from Helen Chapdelaine's Kennel. The St. Paul Animal Shelter has informed us that they will be there to assist along with the association of SCARS out of Vegreville.

Helen Chapdelaine's Contract will be up for renewal in August.

f. Reports:

None to mention.

g. Mower Bid:

Dennis Bergheim informed Members that used Mower will be up for bid at an approximate fee of \$17,100.00. Estimated arrival for new Mower unit will be mid June to July end.

h. Transportation Spraying - Carillion:

Councillor G. Ockerman commented on the concern to the spraying of Oxeye Daisy and felt this matter should be brought to Council.

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i. Wild Boars:

Dennis Bergheim commented on a resident raising these Wild Boars and of a new legislated fencing regulation which is in place. Inspection of premises is scheduled for May 4/15.

Councillor G. Ockerman stated that he is hoping to see this issue put on Agenda at the upcoming ASB Conference with hope that it will be brought forward as a Resolution.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None to mention.

6. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

To be scheduled at a later date.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With business on the Agenda being concluded, Councillor L. Amyotte adjourned the meeting. Time: 11:25 a.m. **Carried.**

| Date | A.S.B. Chairperson |
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