

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Minutes of the **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** held on Tuesday, **December 12, 2017** at 9:03 A.M. in the County Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Chief Administrative Officer, Cory Ollikka in the presence of the following persons:

ATTENDANCE		
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017</u>
1	Dan Gawalko	Present
2	Johnny Cherniwchan	Present
3	Craig Lukinuk	Present
4	Lorne Halisky	Present
5	Randy Orichowski	Present
CAO	Cory Ollikka	Present
Assist. CAO	Lydia Cielin	Present
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Present
Ag. Fieldman	Tori Cherniawsky	Present
Assistant A.F.	Amanda Shapka	Present
Ag Svcs. Tech.	Evonne Zukiwski	Absent
GIS/Comm.	Paul Miranda	Absent
Legislative Svcs./R.S.	Patti Priest	Present

No Member(s) of the Media Present.

No Member(s) of the Public Present.

Deanne Madsen, M.Sc., P.Ag., CFO Extension Specialist, Environmental Extension and Programming Branch, with Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development was present for the meeting as a key contact for Smoky Lake County.

1. Election of Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson:

Chairperson

The Chief Administrative Officer called first (1) time for nominations for Chairperson.

54-17: Orichowski

That Councillor Dan Gawalko be nominated as the Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board Committee.

The Chief Administrative Officer called second (2) time for nominations for Chairperson.

The Chief Administrative Officer called third (3) time for nominations for Chairperson.

NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS.

The Chief Administrative Officer declared Nominations Ceased.

Mr. Dan Gawalko was declared elected by acclamation by the Chief Administrative Officer as the Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board Committee for the ensuing year, and assumed the Chair.

Carried.

Vice-Chairperson

The Chairperson called first (1) time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

55-17: Lukinuk That Councillor Johnny Cherniwchan be nominated as the Vice-Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board Committee.

The Chairperson called second (2) time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

The Chairperson called third (3) time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS.

The Chairperson declared Nominations Ceased.

Mr. Johnny Cherniwchan was declared elected by acclamation by the Chairperson as the Vice-Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board Committee for the ensuing year.

Carried.

2. Agenda:

56-17: Orichowski That the Agricultural Service Board Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, December 12, 2017 be adopted, as amended:

Addition:

1. Alberta Farm Fresh Producers Association / Alberta Farmers Market Association.
2. Lakeland Agricultural Research Association.
3. Provincial Agricultural Service Board - Resolutions.

Carried Unanimously.

3. Minutes:

57-17: Lukinuk That the Minutes of the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Thursday, October 12, 2017, be adopted.

Carried.

58-17: Orichowski That the Action List from the Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Thursday, October 12, 2017, be filed for information.

Carried.

4. Request For Decision:

Policy Statement No. 62-10-03: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan

59-17: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County **Policy Statement No. 62-10-03: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan**, be amended:

Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan	Policy No.: 10-03
Section: 62	Code: P-A
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Legislation Reference:	<i>Alberta Provincial Statutes</i>
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Purpose:	To establish a Business Plan for the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board
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Policy Statement and Guidelines:	
1. STATEMENT:	
1.1	The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board (ASB) is in the business of providing its residents with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management Programming, Agricultural Extension Programming, Problem Wildlife Programming, Pest Control and Monitoring as well Government Lobbying. The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the Weed Act, Agricultural Pest Act, Agricultural Service Board Act, Soil Conservation Act and the Animal Health Act.
2. VISION STATEMENT:	
2.1	To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.
3. MISSION STATEMENT:	
3.1	To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.

4. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

4.1 **The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board** identifies the following priorities:

- One: Vegetation Management Program
- Two: Weed Control Act Duties
- Three: Environmental Stewardship and Extension
- Four: Problem Wildlife
- Five: Agricultural Pest Act Duties
- Six: Soil Conservation Act Duties
- Seven: Intergovernmental Collaboration

5. IMPLEMENTATION:

- 5.1 Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board shall review annually and as required by Alberta Agriculture.
- 5.2 Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board staff will consider and follow the priorities of the Business Plan when creating budgets and work plans.

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Business Plan	Executive Summary
<p>The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board is in the business of providing its agricultural producers with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management, Agricultural Extension, Problem Wildlife, Pest Control, programming and monitoring as well as, government lobbying. The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the <i>Weed Control Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Pest Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Service Board Act</i>, <i>Soil Conservation Act</i>, and the <i>Animal Health Act</i>.</p> <p>VISION STATEMENT: To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.</p> <p>MISSION STATEMENT: To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.</p> <p>VALUES:</p> <p>Integrity: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will conduct business in an ethical manner respecting the environment, public and applicable legislation.</p> <p>Commitment to Service: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will strive to provide the best service possible to its ratepayers conducting operations in an efficient and cost effective manner.</p> <p>Progressive: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will take a proactive and innovative approach in its programming examining new technologies and protocol while accepting and implementing relevant public input.</p> 	





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1. Vegetation Management Program		
<p>Goal: To implement an integrated vegetation management program on municipal right-of-ways for the purpose of reducing noxious weeds and ensuring sightlines are clear for the motoring public.</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Identify problem noxious weeds within the municipal right of way</p>	<p>-Key emphasis will be on Prohibited Noxious and Noxious weed species analyzing both environmental and economic threats.</p>	<p>-All roads inspected for noxious weeds at least once during the growing season.</p>
<p>Roadside Spraying</p> 	<p>-1/3 of all county roads will be sprayed following the rotation spraying guidelines set out in <i>Policy Statement 62-15 "Vegetation Management Plan"</i> and <i>Policy Statement 62-23 "Tansy Reduction Program"</i>. Brush Spraying will be completed during the regular roadside spraying rotation.</p>	<p>-Number of miles of roadside spraying completed.</p> <p>-Amount of herbicide applied for brush control</p>
<p>Spot Spraying</p> 	<p>-Spot spraying will be completed in the other two zone in which regular roadside spraying is being completed. Noxious weeds and brush will be targeted.</p> <p>-Custom spraying of private lands will occur if time and budget allows and priority is put on landowners struggling to control prohibited noxious weeds.</p>	<p>-Number of locations spot sprayed.</p> <p>-Amount of herbicide applied during spot spraying.</p> <p>-Number of landowners who receive help eliminating there Prohibited noxious weeds by the ASB Department.</p>
<p>Roadside Mowing</p> 	<p>-Roadside mowing will be conducted as stated in <i>Policy Statement 62-M-02 "Mowing Program"</i>. Roadsides will be mowed as close to the municipal property line as possible, while ensuing passes are only done if deemed efficient to eliminate extra freewheeling and passes of 5 feet or less.</p> <p>-Lake roads leading to resorts will be mowed as deemed necessary before long weekends.</p>	<p>-2 passes of roadside mowing are completed by November 1st of each year.</p> <p>-Iron Horse Trailed mowed at least once a year.</p> <p>-Amount of additional mowing completed for community events.</p> <p>-Amount of additional mowing completed on other municipal properties.</p>


2. Weed Control Act Duties		
<p>Goal: To control the spread and prevent the establishment of invasive species on privately owned land through responsible communication with landowners, occupants, industry stakeholders and members of the general public as set out in the Weed Control Act of Alberta.</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Weed Inspection Program</p> 	<p>-Weed Inspection are conducted on private land during the growing season annually.</p> <p>-Letters are sent to landowners who are in non-compliance with the Weed Control Act of Alberta, as specified in <i>Policy Statement 62-14 "Weed Inspection and Weed Notice"</i>.</p> <p>-Weed Notices are issued to landowners who do not comply with recommendation letters.</p> <p>-Enforcement actions are completed by the Agricultural Service Board Department for landowners who are non-compliant with a weed notice that has been issued.</p>	<p>-Number of inspections completed</p> <p>-Number of letters sent to landowners/renters</p> <p>-Number of weed notices issued</p> <p>-Number of Weed enforcements completed</p>
<p>Noxious Weed Education and Awareness</p> 	<p>-Provide weed identification for landowners on farm or brought in sample to office</p> <p>-Promote weed awareness at our annual Smoky Lake County Farmer Appreciation Event</p> <p>-Produce and circulate information on invasive species through our website and local newspapers.</p>	<p>- number of landowners assisted annually</p> <p>-Number of events hosted</p> <p>-Number of articles circulated</p>


3. Environmental Stewardship and Extension		
<p>Goal: To provide Environmental Farm Plans to producers and work in partnership with Lakeland Agricultural Research Association to deliver collaborative environmental stewardship initiatives and unbiased research that results in sustainable growth of Smoky Lake County's Agricultural Community.</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Environmental Farm Plans</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Assist local producers with completion of Environmental Farm Plans -Provide air photographs for fields and farm yards and soils information -Provide water well information from the Alberta Water Wells Database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Environmental Farm plans assisted with -Increased adoption of beneficial management practices by producers
<p>Canadian Agricultural Partnership</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Assist local producers with information about new agricultural programs and grants. -Stay current with program updates and changes. -Promote programs and workshop events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of producers assisted -Number of events hosted or promoted
<p>Lakeland Agricultural Research Association</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ensure Smoky Lake County receives programs as promised by LARA. -Ensure crop plot trails are complete in Smoky Lake County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of events hosted by LARA in our county. -Crop Walk hosted for local producers -Number of unbiased research plots within Smoky Lake County.

4. Problem Wildlife Program		
<p>Goal: To co-operate and execute and Problem Wildlife Management Program.</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Beavers</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Beaver Tail Bounty for \$15.00 per tail from pre-approved locations as specified in <i>Policy Statement 62-07 "Beaver Management"</i> -Beaver Dam Removal may occur to mitigate flooding which causes damage to municipal infrastructure. Dam removal will be conducted as per <i>Policy Statement 62-21 "Beaver Control- Fee for Removal with Explosives"</i>. -Maintain Certified Blasters License with the Province of Alberta. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Beaver tails brought in. -Number of dams removed affecting municipal infrastructure. -Amount of revenue generated completing private land blasting. -Renew every 5 years as required.
<p>Coyotes</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Maintain Form 7 License to ensure Smoky Lake County can provide 1080 toxicant to agricultural producers as per <i>Policy Statement 62-03 "Coyote Control"</i>. - Coyote control booklets available for agricultural producers to help better manage coyote predation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of tablets given out annually
<p>Richardson Ground Squirrel (Gopher)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -2% Liquid Strychnine is sold to producers for gopher control in the spring as per <i>Policy Statement 62-24 "Sale of 2% Liquid Strychnine"</i>. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of bottles of strychnine sold annually.
<p>Northern Pocket Gopher (Mole)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mole tail bounty for \$1.00 per tail can be brought in as per <i>Policy Statement 62-02 "Bounty for Pocket Gopher Tails"</i>. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of mole tails brought in for bounty.

4. Problem Wildlife Continued		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Wild Boar 	-Participate annually in the Wild Boar Ear Bounty with Alberta Agriculture. -Wild Boar ears can be brought in for a reward of \$50.00 per set of ears. The boars <u>must</u> be at large.	-Number of wild boar ears brought in.
Waterfowl Damage Control 	-Scare Cannons are available for rent as per <i>Policy Statement 62-26 "Scare Cannon Rental"</i> . -Suggest alternative control measures to mitigate crop damage cause by waterfowl during fall migration.	-Number of rentals that occur -number of producers that engage in alternative control measure.
Alternative Control Methods 	-Agricultural Fieldmen will continue to look into alternative control methods for all pest species. -Promote and notify producers of alternative control measures when they come in.	-Attend In Service Training to here from other Ag Fieldman from across the province -Attend demonstrations with government research groups

5. Agricultural Pest Act Duties		
Goal: To provide Smoky Lake County agricultural producers with responsible pest management strategies, pest monitoring and enforcement of declared agricultural pests as deemed by the Agricultural Pest Act of Alberta.		
Crop Surveying		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Swede Midge of Canola 	-Swede Midge is monitored on behalf of Agri-food Canada. It is an 8 week program where sticky pads are changed weekly.	-Continue to monitor for new and invading pest that threaten our agriculture industry.
Grasshoppers 	-Townships are surveyed annually and data is sent to Alberta Agriculture for forecasting. The county ditch and field are sampled at each location.	-Number of fields surveyed -Number of outbreaks that occur
Bertha Army Worms 	- 3 Fields across the county are monitored starting in June until August. The traps are set out in the fields to collect the moths that lay the eggs.	-Number of moths counted annually -Number of outbreaks that are forecasted
Wheat Midg 	- Wheat Midge in high numbers can cause yield loss, wheat crops are monitored around the end of June as wheat heads are emerging up until anthesis (Flowering)	-Samples collected annually and sent to Alberta Agriculture when required
Fusarium g. 	- Fusarium is a fungal disease of wheat, Alberta Agriculture dictates the amount of fields we head sample based on wheat acres in our county. 500 heads of wheat are collected from each field.	-Number of Fields sampled annually as required
Blackleg of Canola 	- Canola fields are sampled annually for Blackleg Severity. Samples are provided to the Crop Diversification Centre for research purposes. Blackleg can cause significant yield loss and harm international exporting	-Number of fields sampled annually.
Clubroot 	- Random canola fields are surveyed after the crop has been swathed. We look for visual symptoms and if we find galls the plant sample is sent to the lab for DNA confirmation	-Number of Canola fields sampled annually -Number of letters sent to producers annually -Number of Pest Notices given Annually

6. Soil Conservation Act Duties		
Goal: Protect the quality and integrity of agricultural soils in Smoky Lake County.		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Soil Conservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Agricultural Fieldman are deemed as inspectors and can issue notices under this Act. -Document and photograph any non-compliance with the Soil Conservation Act -Promote soil health workshops and site demonstrations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Soil Conservation Notice issued -Number of Soil Conservation Letters issued
		

7. Intergovernmental Collaboration		
Goal: Conduct intergovernmental collaboration will all levels of governments.		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Collaborate with multiple levels and forms of government	-Agricultural Service Board to participate in drafting and passing resolutions at Regional and Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conferences annually	-Attend annual conferences and participate by discussion and voting on various agricultural issues.
Protect the interests of Smoky Lake County Agricultural Community	-Every effort will be made to convey agricultural concerns from the agricultural community to relevant government agencies via face-to-face interactions, letter writing or any other available means.	-Number of letters sent to MLA's, PM's or other government members
		

Carried.

Policy Statement No. 62-07-05: Beaver Management Program

60-17: Orichowski

That Smoky Lake County **Policy Statement No. 62-07-05: Beaver Management Program**, be amended:

Title: Beaver Management Program	Policy No.: 07-05
Section: 62	Code:
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Legislation Reference:	Alberta Provincial Statutes
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Purpose:	To provide guidelines to ensure the management of beavers is undertaken in an efficient and effective manner as possible; giving consideration to human safety, municipal liabilities, and mitigation of non-target animal capture.
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Policy Statement and Guidelines:

- 1. OBJECTIVE**
 - 1.1 To protect Smoky Lake County road infrastructure and public safety by removing beavers that will/or cause flooding on County road allowances.
 - 1.2 To mitigate beaver problems on agricultural land that is adjacent to major waterways within Smoky Lake County.
- 2. GUIDELINES:**
 - 2.1 Beavers will not be accepted from outside of Smoky Lake County boundaries.
 - 2.2 Beavers in dugouts or ponds will not be accepted.
 - 2.3 Upon problem verification by the Agricultural Fieldman, may then supply a list of trappers that the landowner and/or leasor may engage. The landowner/leasor must inform the Agricultural Fieldman, who will be doing the trapping and when.
 - 2.4 Upon verification by the Agricultural Fieldman, that the beavers were removed from the above mentioned problem area, a service fee may be paid to the person or persons submitting the claim, whether it be the landowner/leasor, or the trapper engaged by the landowner/leasor. The service fee will be determined by the Agricultural Service Board on an "as required" basis.
 - 2.5 A **service fee** may be determined by the Agricultural Service Board to be paid to trappers removing beavers causing problems on County road allowances, bridges, culverts, and land.
 - 2.6 The trapper in these problem areas must be requested to do the work either by the Agricultural Fieldman. In the absence or unavailability of the above mentioned members, the Public Works Foreman may also request trappers to do beaver removal on County road allowances, bridges, culverts and land.
 - 2.7 The program will only be carried out **subject to available funds**.
- 3. PROCEDURE:**
 - 3.1 **Schedule "A" Beaver Management Form** will be completed and kept as a record of verification.
 - 3.2 Upon verification, a service fee of **FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$15.00)** will be paid for each verifiable beaver removed only from the problem area to the trapper or landowner.
 - 3.3 No service fee will be paid without the consent of the Agricultural Service Board for landowners/leasors or trappers, who submit claim without first notifying the Agricultural Fieldman, that there is a flooding problem on agricultural land and this problem has been verified by the Agricultural Fieldman, prior to any trapping being done.
 - 3.4 Beaver carcasses will be removed and disposed of in an appropriate manner by the program participant.
 - 3.5 The program participant is responsible to take into consideration the characteristic of the site and consequences of the control work.



SCHEDULE "A"

BEAVER MANAGEMENT FORM

DETAILS	Applicants: Name: _____
	Address: _____
	Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

LEGAL DETAILS	Legal Description (hereinafter referred to as the "Lands":
	Location: LEGAL, LAND LOCATION: ¼ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M ¼ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M ¼ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M

DECLARE	I (We), do hereby declare to SMOKY LAKE COUNTY that only beaver tails from the above approved locations will be brought in for a service fee of FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$15.00) per tail. _____ Initials _____
	I (We) hereby agree to, in consideration of the benefit derived by me (us) from the work description above shall indemnify and save harmless the SMOKY LAKE COUNTY, its Councillors, officers, employees, and agents from any claim, damages, liability, cost, fee, penalty, action, cause of action, demand, damage to property, injury to person or death (including, without limitation to, legal fees of SMOKY LAKE COUNTY, on a solicitor-client full indemnity basis), that may arise directly or indirectly out of the performances of the above described work(s). Program is subject to available funds. Beaver tails will not be paid for when funds have been depleted.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ THIS APPLICATION AND AM AWARE OF ITS CONTENTS AND AGREE TO THE CONDITIONS.	
SIGNATURE OF OWNER: _____	DATE: _____
SIGNATURE OF AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN: _____	DATE: _____

Carried.

2018 Agricultural Service Board Provincial Conference

61-17: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County Council attend the 2018 Agricultural Service Board Conference, Theme: “Concerns of Today for Agriculture of Tomorrow” scheduled for January 16, 2018 to January 19, 2018, at the Pomeroy Hotel and Conference Centre in Grande Prairie, Alberta.

Carried.

2018 Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Contract

62-17: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County Council sign a Year 2018 contract with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) for continued extension programming; and that Administration derive a plan to engage ratepayers for their input on future needs.

Carried.

5. Issues for Information:

Agricultural Department and Provincial Representative Report

Deanne Madsen, M.Sc., P.Ag., CFO Extension Specialist, Environmental Extension and Programming Branch, Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development, gave a verbal report including the following points:

- The role of the Provincial key contact is to attend one or two meetings per year and provide information on Provincial Programs available as well as gather any local board issues or concerns and provide feedback to the ministry.
- The Growing Forward Program will be discontinued on March 30, 2018.
- Programing staff are working on developing new programs under six platforms:
 1. Agri-Marketing
 2. Agri-Science
 3. Agri-Assurance
 4. Agri-Diversity
 5. Agri-Sustainability
 6. Agri-Public Trust
- Because there will be less funding, the Province will be consulting with commodity groups to identify how to create the largest positive impact with limited program funds.
- Some of the new programs may be up and running as early as April 1, 2018.
- The Alberta Environmental Farm Plan tool is available online (www.albertaefp.com).
- The province will be contacting 500 Farm Operators to ensure their programs are effective through Alberta Agriculture Sustainable Tracking Survey.

Lakeland Applied Research Association (LARA) Member

63-17: Orichowski That the Agricultural Service Board Chairperson be appointed to the **Lakeland Applied Research Association (LARA)**, and the Agricultural Service Board Vice-Chairperson be appointed as the alternate.

Carried.

Agricultural Department and Provincial Representative Report

64-17: Lukinuk That the written report presented by the Agricultural Fieldman, dated November 14, 2017; and the verbal report from the Provincial Representative: Deanne Madsen, M.Sc., P.Ag., CFO Extension Specialist, Environmental Extension and Programming Branch, Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development, be accepted, and filed for information.

Carried.

6. Correspondence

Agricultural Service Board 2018 Resolutions

65-17: Lukinuk

That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board recommends the following action on the Agricultural Service Board 2018 Resolutions to be addressed at the **2018 Agricultural Service Board Provincial Conference** held on January 16 to January 19, 2018:

Resolution 1: Environmental Stream Funding of the Agricultural Service Board Grant.

➤ In Favour

Resolution 2: Appeals to the Minister under the Weed Control Act and Agricultural Pests Act.

➤ Against

Resolution 3: Requirement to Report Pests to the Local Authority.

➤ Against

Resolution 4: Weed Control on Alberta Vacant Public Lands Within Green Areas.

➤ In Favour

Resolution 5: Wildlife Predator Compensation Program Enhancement.

➤ Against

Resolution 6: Review of Agricultural Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) Crop Insurance Program.

➤ In Favour

Resolution 7: Crop Insurance for Fruit Producers.

➤ In Favour

Resolution 8: Increasing Limits for Farm Direct Marketing of Chickens for All Farm Direct Producers.

➤ Undecided

Resolution 9: Farm Direct Marketing of Eggs and Products Using Eggs.

➤ Against

Resolution 10: Proposed Federal Tax Changes.

➤ Against

Resolution 11: Organic Food Testing and Labeling.

➤ Undecided

Resolution 12: Chemical Control of Wireworms.

➤ Against

Carried.

Alberta Farm Fresh Producers Association / Alberta Farmers Market Association

66-17: Orichowski

That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board take no action to the correspondence received from Conny Kappler P.Ag., Executive Director of Alberta Farm Fresh Producers Association and Kathy Leskow, Conference Chair of Alberta Farmers Market Association, dated November 24, 2017, requesting a sponsorship towards the their conference scheduled for February 22-23, 2018 in Olds, Alberta.

Carried.

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)

67-17: Cherniwchan

That the correspondence forwarded by Charlie Leskiw, Producer Representative, on the Board of Directors for Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), on December 5, 2017 to Smoky Lake County from Roger Harbord, Vice-Chair of LARA, in regard to the research and activities done by LARA, be filed for information.

Carried.

7. Delegation:

No Delegation.

8. Executive Session:

No Executive Session.

Next Meeting

68-17: Orichowski

That the next Smoky Laker County **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** be scheduled for Tuesday, **February 13, 2018** at **9:00 a.m.** to be held at the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

69-17: Gawalko

That this meeting be adjourned, time 11:01 a.m.

Carried.

CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER