

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Minutes of the **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** held on Monday, **February 24, 2020** at 10:25 A.M. in the County Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Chairperson, Dan Gawalko in the presence of the following persons:

		<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>Monday, Feb.24, 2020</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	VACANT	VACANT
Assistant A.F.	Amanda Kihn	Present
Legislative Svcs./R.S.	Patti Priest	Present

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No Member(s) of the Media Present.

One Member of the Public Present.

**2. Agenda:**

564-20: Halisky                    That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting Agenda for Monday, February 24, 2020, be adopted as amended:

**Addition to the Agenda:**

1. Alberta Government’s “Working Well” Water Well Workshop.

Carried Unanimously.

**3. Minutes:**

565-20: Orichowski            That the Minutes of the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, December 16, 2019, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

566-20: Halisky                    That the Action List from the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, December 16, 2019, be filed for information.

Carried.

**4. Request for Decision:**

**2020 Farm Safety Centre Sponsorship**

567-20: Lukinuk                    That Smoky Lake County contribute funding in the amount of \$518.00 to the Alberta Farm Safety Centre towards their Year-2020 “Safety Smarts” school-based-farm-safety program focusing on initiatives to reduce farm injuries and fatalities involving children, based on the Year-2019 delivery to 148 children in Smoky Lake County at a rate of \$3.50/student; in response to the letter received from Laura Nelson, Executive Director, Alberta Farm Safety Centre, dated January 16, 2020.

Carried.

**2020 Farm Family Awards – Division 1.**

568-20: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board defer the Year-2020 nomination of a farm family from Division 1, to the 2020 BMO Farm Family award to the next scheduled Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board meeting.

Carried.

**Degelman REV 1500 Mower, Sidearm and Onepass Tender**

569-20: Halisky That Smoky Lake County Council approve to purchase a Degelman model REV 1500 rotary mower with a one-pass herbicide kit and a Degelman Sidearm model 1820, from Deerland Equipment Ltd. of Fort Saskatchewan, as per their quote # 21221443, dated February 11, 2020, in the amount not to exceed \$83,745.00; and, negotiate the inclusion of air-filled tires on the mainframe.

Carried.

**5. Issues for Information:**

**Agricultural Service Board Chairperson's Report**

570-20: Halisky That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Chairman's Verbal Report as of February 24, 2020, be accepted for information.

Carried.

**Addition the Agenda:**

**Alberta Government's "Working Well" Water Well Workshop**

571-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County defer for administration provide Council with available dates and costs to host a "Working Well" hands-on water well workshop facilitated through the Alberta Government for water well owners to learn the basics of groundwater, well construction, common well problems, contamination risks, the importance of well reclamation and best water well management practices; since the last workshop was held in Spring 2012.

Carried.

**Agricultural Fieldman's Report**

572-20: Cherniwchan That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Agricultural Fieldman's Report, as prepared by the Assistant Agricultural Fieldman, dated February 12, 2020, be accepted for information.

Carried.

**6. Correspondence:**

**Bellis 4-H Beef Club**

573-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County extend an invitation to the Bellis 4-H Club to attend the Year-2020 18th Annual Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Day, scheduled for Friday, June 5, 2020, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in Smoky Lake, and request their volunteer assistance at the event as an opportunity to promote their Bellis 4-H Beef Club's Achievement Day and Sale, scheduled for June 12, 2020 in Waskatenau, in response to the Email received from Donna Cherniwchan, Leader, Bellis 4-H Beef Club, dated January 21, 2020 RE: Bellis 4-H Achievement Day.

Carried.

**Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldman**

574-20: Halisky That the copy of letter received by Smoky Lake County from the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry: Honourable Devin Dreesen, to the M.D. of Spirit River, dated January 28, 2020 in regard to regulation of Fusarium graminearum on the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation (PNCR) of the Agricultural Pests Act (APA), be filed for information.

Carried.

**Next Meeting**

575-20: Lukinuk That the next Smoky Lake County **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** be scheduled for **Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** to be held at the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

20 Members of the Public entered Council Chambers, time, 11:00 a.m.

**7. Delegation:**

**Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)**

Present before Smoky Lake County Council was Charlie Leskiw, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Representative, from 11:03 a.m. to 11:57 a.m., on behalf of the local Farmers to express the importance of agricultural research and extension programming within Smoky Lake County and the services provided by LARA.

**Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)**

576-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County Council's December 16, 2019 Motion # 294-19: "That Smoky Lake County not enter into a contract with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) for the Year-2020 Extension Programming, as Smoky Lake County has provided a municipal contribution in the amount of \$55,000.00 each year from Year-2015 to Year-2019, and LARA is not willing to accept Smoky Lake County's reduced Year-2020 municipal contribution offer as per the November 6, 2019 Council Motion #1221-19 in the amount of \$25,000.00 towards the LARA program.", **BE RESCINDED;** and, **approve** to provide Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) funds for Year-2020 in the amount of \$55,000.00, and proceed to execute a contract with the LARA for the Year-2020 Agricultural Extension Programming.

Carried.

**Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)**

577-20: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the list from Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) naming twelve LARA events which were held within Smoky Lake County with no dates specified.

Carried.

**Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) – Appointed Member**

578-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County appoint the County’s Agricultural Service Board Chairperson as a Member to the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) board; and appoint the County’s Agricultural Service Board Vice-Chairperson as the alternate Member, in respect to Council’s February 24, 2020, Motion # 576-20.

Carried.

**Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) - Public-at-Large Member**

579-20: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County, recommend Charlie Leskiw and Barb Shapka be appointed as Public-at-Large Members to the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) board as representatives for Smoky Lake County, in respect to Council’s February 24, 2020, Motion # 576-20.

Carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

580-20: Gawalko That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting of February 24, 2020, be adjourned, time 12:15 p.m.

Carried.

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CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER