

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Minutes of the **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** held on Tuesday, **June 16, 2020** at 9:06 A.M. held virtually online through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting.

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

			ATTENDANCE
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>Tuesday, June 16, 2020</u>	
1	Dan Gawalko	Virtually Present	
2	Johnny Cherniwchan	Virtually Present	
3	Craig Lukinuk	Virtually Present	
4	Lorne Halisky	Virtually Present	
5	Randy Orichowski	Virtually Present	
CAO	Cory Ollikka	Virtually Present	
Assist. CAO	Lydia Cielin	Virtually Present	
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Virtually Present	
Ag. Fieldman	Carleigh McMullin	Virtually Present	
Assistant A.F.	Amanda Kihn	Virtually Present	
Legislative Svcs./R.S.	Patti Priest	Virtually Present	

One Member of the Media was Virtually Present: Smoky Lake Signal.

No Members of the Public were Present.

2. Agenda:

828-20: Lukinuk That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, June 16, 2020, be adopted as amended:

Addition to the Agenda:

- 1. Municipal Agricultural Disaster.

Carried Unanimously.

3. Minutes:

829-20: Halisky That the Minutes of the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

830-20: Orichowski That the Action List from the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, be filed for information.

Carried.

4. Request for Decision:

Weed Inspector Appointment – Trevor Hedlund

831-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County Council appoint Trevor Hedlund as a Weed Inspector for Smoky Lake County, effective June 16, 2020 to termination of employment.

Carried.

Amanda Mathiot, Cropping Coordinator, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) virtually joined the meeting, time 9:27 a.m.

One member of the public virtually joined the meeting, time 9:29 a.m.

7. **Delegation:**

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)

Present before Smoky Lake County's Agricultural Service Board from 9:32 a.m. to 9:48 a.m., was Amanda Mathiot, Cropping Coordinator, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) to verbally provide an update on LARA activities in Smoky Lake County including the following points:

- Currently have four (4) trail crop plots and one (1) demo within Smoky Lake County which were seeded on May 28, 2020 on Don Macyk's land near Waskatenau.
- LARA is planning on seeding one more plot in Smoky Lake County; the seed came in June 5, 2020 and seeding has been delayed due to wet conditions; we have until July 1, 2020 to get the seed in the ground.
- The LARA Agricultural Field Day in Smoky Lake County is scheduled for July 23, 2020.
- ACIS (Alberta Climate Information Service) is a great resource as an interactive tool for weather forecasts, climate and related agriculture features to help Farmers with long-term planning and decision-making throughout the growing season.

Amanda Mathiot, Cropping Coordinator, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) virtually left the meeting, time 9:48 a.m.

Addition to the Agenda:

Municipal Agricultural Disaster

832-20: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County declare a Municipal Agricultural Disaster to bring awareness to the unseeded acres and flooded pasture acres within Smoky Lake County in Year-2020.

Councillor Orichowski called for a Recorded Vote:

For:

Randy Orichowski
Danny Gawalko

Against:

Johnny Cherniwchan
Lorne Halisky
Craig Lukinuk

MOTION DEFEATED.

Municipal Agricultural Disaster

833-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County Council be presented information prepared by the Agricultural Fieldman in regard to the status of unseeded crops and flooded pastureland from producers in the County with respect to the possibility of declaring a Municipal Agricultural Disaster.

Councillor Lukinuk called for a Recorded Vote:

For:

Randy Orichowski
Danny Gawalko
Johnny Cherniwchan
Lorne Halisky
Craig Lukinuk

Against:

N/A

Carried Unanimously.

5. Issues for Information:

Agricultural Service Board Chairperson's Report

834-20: Orichowski That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Chairman's Verbal Report, as of June 16, 2020, including but not limited to the following points in respect to Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA): one employee is on maternity leave, new combine equipment for July 1, 2020, and next meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2020 at 8:00 a.m., be accepted for information.

Carried.

Farmer's and Rancher's Appreciation Day Lunch

835-20: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County host a Farmer's and Rancher's Appreciation lunch event of hamburgers and hotdogs at the Kinsman Park Gazebo in Smoky Lake, scheduled for July 23, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Agricultural Field Day scheduled in the Waskatenau are for July 23, 2020; and, pursue utilizing Kortech Calcium Services Ltd.'s barbeque unit.

Carried.

Scott Franchuk, Fire Chief, virtually joined the meeting, time 10:12 a.m.

Agricultural Fieldman's Report

836-20: Halisky That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Agricultural Fieldman's Report, dated June 9, 2020, be accepted for information.

Carried.

6. Correspondence:

Farm Safety Centre

837-20: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the thank you letter, from Laura Nelson, Executive Director, Alberta Farm Safety Centre, dated April 1, 2020 for the funding contribution in the amount of \$518.00 towards the 22nd Annual Year-2020 "Safety Smarts" school-based-farm-safety program, be filed for information.

Carried.

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)

838-20: Lukinuk That the verbal report received by Smoky Lake County from the June 16, 2020 meeting delegation: Amanda Mathiot, Cropping Coordinator, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), in regard to LARA activities within Smoky Lake County, be accepted for information.

Carried.

Ministerial Order (MO 003-2020)

839-20: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the information from the Government of Alberta, in regard to the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry's Ministerial Order (MO 003-2020), amending the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation (AR 184/2001), by removing Fusarium head blight - Fusarium Graminearum, to align Alberta with best practices from other provinces in an effort to help Alberta Farmers to stay competitive.

Carried.

Precipitation Report

840-20: Cherniwchan That the precipitation report received by Smoky Lake County as prepared by the Alberta Climate Information Service, dated June 28, 2020, with a map of Alberta outlining the precipitation received, and including Smoky Lake County's precipitation of 50-100 millimeters during June 1, 2020 to June 7, 2020, be filed for information.

Carried.

Next Meeting

841-20: Halisky That the next Smoky Lake County **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** be scheduled for **Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** to be held Virtually and/or in the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

8. Executive Session:

No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

842-20: Gawalko That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting of June 16, 2020, be adjourned, time 10:21 a.m.

Carried.

CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER