

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY  
AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD  
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JULY 16, 2008**

PRESENT	MacKay Ross Nancy van Herk Frances Davis Wilbert Bontrup	Chair Vice Chair Council Representative Member
REGRETS	Ilene Gellings	Member
ATTENDING	Audrey Bjorklund Aaron Zylstra Randy Perkins Melissa Kamphuis	CDM Ag Fieldman Alberta Agricultural Representative EA
CALL TO ORDER	Chair Ross called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.	
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	The Agricultural Service Board reviewed the agenda for the July 16, 2008 meeting.	
<b>AG081(07/16/08)</b>	<b>MOTION by Member Bontrup that this Agricultural Service Board adopt the agenda governing the July 16, 2008 meeting with the addition of: - 10D Weed Inspectors. <span style="float: right;"><b>CARRIED.</b></span></b>	
ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	The board reviewed the minutes from the June 18, 2008 meeting.	
<b>AG082(07/16/08)</b>	<b>MOTION by Member van Herk that this Agricultural Service Board adopt the minutes of the June 18, 2008 Agricultural Service Board meeting as presented. <span style="float: right;"><b>CARRIED.</b></span></b>	
BUSINESS ARISING	The veterinarian bursary program continuation will be evaluated during the 2009 budget discussions.	
DELEGATION	There were no delegations scheduled for this meeting.	
CDM/AG FIELDMAN REPORTS	The Manager and Ag. Fieldman had the opportunity to report on meetings attended and other topics.	
<b>AG083(07/16/08)</b>	<b>MOTION by Member Bontrup that this Agricultural Service Board accept the Community Development Managers report and Agricultural Fieldman's report for information. <span style="float: right;"><b>CARRIED.</b></span></b>	
BYLAWS & POLICIES	There was no item on the agenda	
OLD BUSINESS	There was no item on agenda.	

NEW BUSINESS  
Pink Cascade

Salt Cedar, also known as Pink Cascade, has become a plant of concern to the Alberta Association of Agricultural Fieldmen. It is being sold by some local garden centres and Kelly Cooley, Agricultural Fieldman for the MD of Pincher Creek, is asking that MD's request they not sell this product because of the threats it poses to water bodies and animal habitat.

**AG084(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Member van Herk that this Agricultural Service Board accept for information the Salt Cedar profile and the email from Agricultural Fieldman, Kelly Cooley. CARRIED.**

Farm Based Extension  
Letter

A letter was received from the MD of Fairview Agricultural Service Board regarding their commitment to a 2009 farm based extension program.

**AG085(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Member Bontrup that this Agricultural Service Board accept for information the letter from MD of Fairview and the discussion regarding CHFP Farm based extension. CARRIED.**

Chair Ross broke for lunch from 12:06 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 12:46 p.m.

Draft ROW  
Grasshopper Control  
Policy

A policy for grasshopper control has been drafted for the Clear Hills County.

**AG086(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Member van Herk that this Agricultural Service Board recommend to Council to approve Roadside Grasshopper Control Policy 6307. CARRIED.**

Weed Inspectors

Weed and Pest Control inspectors are appointed as per Section 5 of the Weed Control Act and Section 9 of the Agricultural Pests Act.

**AG087(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Member Bontrup that this Agricultural Service Board appoint Destiny Basnett and Ty Gibson as weed inspectors for the Clear Hills County for 2008. CARRIED.**

BOARD REPORTS

At this time the Board members will have an opportunity to report on meetings attended and other topics:

- Chairman Ross – nothing to report at this time.
- Vice Chair van Herk – nothing to report at this time.
- Councillor Davis – attended the Rural Matters Conference in Edmonton.
- Member Bontrup – nothing to report at this time.

**AG088(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Member Bontrup that this Agricultural Service Board accept member reports as information. CARRIED.**

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**INFORMATION &  
CORRESPONDENCE**

The following information and correspondence was provided to the Board:

- Letter to Premier Re: Bill 23 Weed Control Act
- Canadian Weed Science Society 2008 Conference
- Clear Hills Watershed Initiative Summer Newsletter
- Grey Wooded Forage Association June 2008 Newsletter
- Fat Cow - Skinny Cow article fr. The Furrow
- Water Management article fr. The Furrow
- Earth First article fr. The Furrow
- Agri News – Jun 16<sup>th</sup>, Jun 23<sup>rd</sup> & Jul 7<sup>th</sup>

**AG089(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Member Bontrup that this Agricultural Service Board receive the correspondence and information as presented on July 16, 2008 and request further information be brought to a future meeting regarding the Canadian Weed Science Society 2008 Conference.**

**CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT  
AG090(07/16/08)**

**MOTION by Councillor Davis that this Agricultural Service Board adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m.**

**CARRIED.**

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Chairperson

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Date

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Agricultural Fieldman