Wainwright, Alberta
April 13th, 2026

The Agricultural Service Board (ASB) of the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 met in the Administration Building at 9:00 am, April 13th, 2026.

Present: Chairman – Councilor Bruce Cummins
Councilor Shaun Rue
Farm Members – Jason Dahlgren, Colton Ukrainetz, and Bryan Skinner
Agricultural Fieldman – Shelby Oracheski
Assistant Agricultural Fieldman and ASB Secretary – Kaitlin Hirsekorn

Chairman Clr. Cummins called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

17/26 Moved by Colton Ukrainetz that the agenda be accepted as presented. CARRIED

18/26 Moved by Bryan Skinner that the minutes from February 24th, 2026 be accepted as presented. CARRIED

Delegations: N/A

Correspondence was reviewed by the Agricultural Fieldman, Shelby Oracheski and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman, Kaitlin Hirsekorn.

a. Letter of Concern Regarding the Proposed Changes to the On-Farm Slaughter Operation Licensing Program (Lac la Biche County)
b. Request to Reverse Closure of the Lacombe Research and Development Centre (Northern Sunrise County)

The correspondence was taken as information.

The ASB agenda package included the March ASB monthly report.

Report was taken as information.

Shelby Oracheski, Agricultural Fieldman and Kaitlin Hirsekorn, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman presented their reports:

a) An extension programming update was provided. An Environmental Farm Plan Workshop, Shelterbelt Establishment Workshop, and Food Preservation Workshop have been hosted. Three other events are upcoming including No Till Gardening, Bumble Bee Box Building, and a Bioblitz.
b) A Rural Routes update was provided. Over The Moon has been booked as entertainment for the event.
c) An insect monitoring survey update was provided. The 2025 swede midge map was reviewed – no swede midge were identified. Locations will be selected for monitoring swede

midge, canola flower midge, bertha army worms, and diamondback moths for the 2026 season.

d) Millborn Seeds was the successful roadside grass seed blend bidder. Seed has been delivered to complete the 2026 reclamation projects.
e) A letter of support for the inclusion of Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians in the Canada Student Loan Forgiveness Program was sent to the local MNLA and MP. An invitation to a virtual meeting with Members of Parliament to discuss the issue was received. The Ag Fieldman, CAO and Reeve attended the meeting. MP's were in favor of forwarding the issue and requested the MD of Wainwright to gather further info.
f) Planning meeting updates were provided on the following topics
    I. An RFD will be presented to Council in April for the Rec Shop mix/load bay and seacan.
    II. An RFD will be presented to Council in April for the addition of power to the Clear Lake boat launch and setting the budget to build a boat cleaning unit.
    III. The purchase of a hydromulcher was not approved.
    IV. The Dog Bylaw will be presented to Council with Revisions in the May Council meeting.

An update was provided on February ASB Meeting action items.

a) The Alberta Lamb Producers development of a Livestock Guardian Dog Best Management Practices and Public Education program will not be moving forward at this time.
b) Council approved the 125-Year Farm Family Award Plaque Award option during the March Council meeting
c) Council approved the Dunbar Family to receive the 100-Year Farm Family Award during the March Council meeting.

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19/26 Moved by Jason Dahlgren that the reports be accepted as presented. CARRIED

A draft of a Bylaw to elevate Spotted and Diffuse Knapweed from noxious to prohibited noxious was reviewed.

A letter to the Town of Wainwright regarding weed concerns was reviewed.

20/26 Moved by Clr. Rue that the ASB sends the Letter of Concern Regarding Weeds to the Town of Wainwright elected officials CARRIED

Current and upcoming programs were reviewed including the Youth Community Impact Award, Fenceline and No Spray Programs, Municipal Calendar Contest and Municipal Bursaries. Application forms are being updated to include the new privacy statements.

Wainwright is scheduled for the ASB Field Visit in summer of 2026. Proposed dates are August 11th or 12th.

The ASB took a break from 10:23am-10:38am.

The emergency use of strychnine was discussed. Information will be released as details are provided.

21/26 Moved by Colton Ukrainetz to conclude new business CARRIED

22/26 The 2026 ASD Budget was reviewed.

Moved by Clr. Rue to approve the proposed 2026 ASD Budget CARRIED

The ASB Summer Tour stops were provided as information.

23/26 Moved by Bryan Skinner that the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

Clr. Cummins adjourned the meeting at 11:23am.

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Chairman – Councilor Bruce Cummins

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Secretary – Kaitlin Hirsekorn