



Brief of the September 8, 2022 Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Meeting

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REPORTS:

1) Supervisor of Agriculture Services Report

The Supervisor of Agricultural Services gave a report on the department's activities in 2022, as well as ones completed in 2021. Some of these activities include:

- Mowing completed on all gravel roads with a second cut underway which will focus on alleviating snow trap areas. Two cuts of mowing also completed in hamlets and subdivisions. Some paved roads will receive a third cut and cemeteries were mowed and weed whipped twice.
- Most roadside spraying took place in Divisions 5, 6, and 7.
- Grasshopper and Bertha Army Worm surveys completed with pest numbers increasing.
- Completion of new Monarch playground.
- Ongoing work with producers on Environmental Farm Plans.
- \$5,000 donation made to the Farm Safety Centre to educate students on farm safety.
- Ongoing public education on various agricultural and rural living topics including soil erosion, shelterbelts, pest and weed identification, etc.

APPOINTMENTS:

1) Alberta Invasive Species Council Presentation – Megan Evans, Executive Director

Ms. Evans provided an update on invasive species currently considered threats in Alberta.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Agricultural Service Board Bylaw and Terms of Reference

The ASB approved the bylaw and Terms of Reference be recommended to Council for approval. The document defines the structure and roles of the ASB.

2) South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference – October 2022 – Crowsnest Pass

The ASB approved that it be recommended to Council that any member wishing to attend the event may do so.