

**COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19**

**AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD**

**MAY 25, 2009**

A meeting of the Agricultural Service Board Committee of the County of St. Paul No. 19 was held in the County Office, Council Room on Monday, May 25, 2009.

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

**Cliff Martin**                      **Dennis Bergheim, Agr. Fieldman**  
**Tom Kurek**                        **Jeremy Robinson, Asst. Agr. Fieldman**  
**Maxine Fodness**                **Betty Way, Recording Secretary**  
**Frank Sloan**  
**Alphonse Corbiere**

**Regrets: Glen Ockerman**

1.            **CALL TO ORDER:**

Cliff Martin called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

2.            **ADDITIONS TO AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:**

Motion to accept Agenda as presented, moved by Frank Sloan. **Carried.**

3.            **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the January 14, 2009 Regular and Organizational meetings were distributed to Members.

Maxine Fodness moved to accept the Minutes of the January 14, 2009 meetings. **Carried.**

4.            **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

Cliff Martin informed Members of response from Gerry Ritz, Minister of Agriculture regarding a national-based livestock and meat strategy program.

5.            **NEW BUSINESS:**

**a.            Resolutions:**

Members briefed through Resolutions.

Robert Bouchard entered into meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Comments of the Canadian Grain Standard only recognizing plate testing not DNA testing when grain is tested for Fusarium.

Frank Sloan commented on what, we as a Board can do to prevent the spread of this disease.

It was then moved by Frank Sloan that the County of St. Paul No. 19 A.S.B. arrange a grouping with L.A.R.A. and Bonnyville and Lac La Biche Agriculture Service Boards for solutions to prevent the spread of Fusarium. **Carried.**

Cliff Martin announced that this topic will be brought forward at the next L.A.R.A. meeting.

Maxine Fodness stated that this Fusarium Resolution be in place for next year.

Jeremy Robinson will compile Resolution for next year with urgent concern to Fusarium.

Maxine Fodness moved that the Resolution be worded as such;  
With concern to Fusarium testing, that the D.N.A. Test be  
recognized along with a plate test, which will give the percentage  
of the infection. **Carried.**

**b. Letters From Other Municipalities:**

Members shared a number of concerns from other  
Municipalities.

**c. Waterwell Workshop:**

Jeremy Robinson informed Members of working jointly  
with Alberta Environment when instructing workshops.

Robert Bouchard moved that the County of St. Paul A.S.B. draft  
a letter of support. **Carried.**

**d. Weed Inspector:**

After discussion from the Board, Alphonse Corbiere  
moved that Jeremy Robinson and Ben Peterson be  
appointed as Weed Inspectors for the County of St. Paul.  
**Carried.**

**e. Spraying Update:**

Jeremy Robinson stated that spraying will be underway  
soon with an advertisement published.

Robert Bouchard commented on the seriousness of  
landowners not keeping up the control of weed  
infestations.

Jeremy spoke of two trial areas set-up for spraying Oxeye  
Daisy with Dow Chemical assisting with the plots.

**f. Strychnine:**

Jeremy Robinson informed the Board of sales being quite  
slow, having sold only twenty cases this year. Last year  
compared to eighty-eight.

**g. Farm Family Award:**

Cliff Martin announced that no applications were sent in.

**h. Explosive Magazine:**

Jeremy Robinson commented on the magazine which is  
now set in place. Jeremy informed Members of an alarm  
system which could be erected on the magazine at an  
approximate cost of \$3,000.00 with a \$30.00-\$40.00  
monthly surveillance fee. More discussion will come  
from an Agricultural Fieldman meeting on Thursday.  
Further information and quotes will be brought back to  
next meeting.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS:**

None to mention.

**7. ADJOURNMENT:**

At 11:10 a.m., Frank Sloan moved that the meeting be adjourned.  
**Carried.**

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**Date**

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**A.S.B. Chairman**