



Council Brief of the May 5, 2026 Agricultural Service Board Meeting

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BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

1) **Strategic Planning**

The Board agreed to direct administration to facilitate a half day workshop for the Agricultural Service Board.

2) **Rural Dust**

Ryan Thomson provided an update on the dust management program.

NEW BUSINESS

1) **Agriculture Service Board Level of Service**

The Agricultural Service Board made a motion to forward the 2026 ASB Level of Service to County Council for approval.

2) **Matthew Wells, Rural Extension Specialist Update**

Matthew Wells, provided the rural extension specialist update which included the following:

- Environmental Farm Plan (EFP)
- Funding
- Reporting
- Workshops
- Presentations
- Communication & Outreach

3) **Soil Erosion Discussion**

The ASB discussed soil erosion.

4) **Strychnine Discussion**

The Agricultural Service Board made a motion to recommend to County Council that the ASB department become a vendor for the sale and distribution of Strychnine to eligible producers in Lethbridge County.

DELEGATIONS

1) **Ashley Wagenaar/Potato Growers of Alberta/Update on the Industry**

Ashley Wagenaar from the Potato Growers of Alberta was present to provide the ASB an update on the industry.

2) **Dirk Muilwijk/Sunshine Custom Farming/Dragline Manure Application Presentation**

Dirk Muilwijk from Sunshine Custom Farming was present to provide the ASB a dragline manure application presentation.

CORRESPONDENCE

1) **Summer Tour Link**

The Wheatland County ASB Summer Tour was discussed.

2) **Letters from past month**

The ASB correspondence from the past month were reviewed and discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS

1) **ASB Conference 2029**

Gary provided information on the 2029 ASB Conference which will be held in the South Region.