

BYLAW NO. 07-63-213

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF NORTHERN LIGHTS NO.22 IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

BEING A BYLAW FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF NORTHERN LIGHTS NO.22

WHEREAS the Agricultural Service Board Act empowers a Council to establish an Agricultural Service Board, and

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipal District of Northern Lights No.22 has determined it is in the best interest of the municipality to pass such a bylaw, now

THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipal District of Northern Lights No. 22, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

01. This Bylaw shall be cited as the "Agricultural Service Board Bylaw".

ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP

02. In this bylaw:

- (A) A five member Agricultural Service Board is hereby established for the purpose of conducting duties as outlined in the Agricultural Service Board Act.
- (B) The Agricultural Service Board shall consist of five voting members appointed by resolution of Council. Two members shall be appointed from the farming public at large, and three members and one alternate member shall be appointed from Council. A sixth non-voting appointment shall be at the pleasure of the Minister Responsible for Agriculture in the province.
- (C) No person who is an employee of the M.D. of Northern Lights No. 22 shall be appointed to the Agricultural Service Board.
- (D) Any vacancies caused by the death, retirement or resignation of a member may be filled by resolution of Council.
- (E) Council may rescind the appointment of a member of the Agricultural Service Board by resolution at any time.
- (F) A member must
 - a) be 18 years of age; and
 - b) be familiar to agricultural concerns and issues and reside within the boundaries of the M.D. of Northern Lights No. 22; and
 - c) not be indebted to M.D. of Northern Lights No.22 for more than \$50.00 for taxes, utility accounts or other accounts receivable; and
 - d) not be involved in any current or pending litigation with the M.D. of Northern Lights No.22.

TERM OF OFFICE

03. (A) Members at Large of the Agricultural Service Board shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years, and may be re-appointed upon the expiry of the term at the pleasure of Council.
- (B) Where a member of Council is appointed as a member of the Agricultural Service Board, their appointment shall terminate upon them ceasing to be a

member of Council. Council appointments will be reviewed at the annual organizational meeting of Council, and may be upheld or changed as Council deems appropriate

- (C) One Alternate member shall be appointed from Council.

CHAIRPERSON

04. (A) The Board may recommend however, Council shall appoint the Chair of the Agricultural Service Board on an annual basis, at the annual Council organizational meeting.
- (B) A member may be re-appointed to the position of Chairperson.
- (C) A Chairperson shall preside at the meetings of the Agricultural Service Board.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON

05. (A) A Vice-Chair shall be appointed by majority vote of the members of the Agricultural Service Board on an annual basis at their first meeting following the appointment of the Chair.
- (B) A member may be re-appointed to the position of Vice-Chair.
- (C) The Vice-Chair shall preside at the meetings of the Agricultural Service Board in the absence of the Chair.
- (D) In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, one of the other members of the Agricultural Service Board shall be elected by members to preside.

QUORUM AND MEETINGS

06. (A) A quorum of the Agricultural Service Board shall be a majority of voting members.
- (B) The Agricultural Service Board shall meet at such intervals as are necessary to consider and decide on weed, pest and livestock concerns, or for consideration of sustainable agriculture matters in accordance with the Act.
- (C) The Agricultural Service Board may make recommendations to Council on rules as are necessary for the conduct of its meetings and its business that are consistent with the policies of the M.D. of Northern Lights No.22 and the Agricultural Services Board.

FEES AND EXPENSES

07. (A) Council shall by policy establish the remuneration, traveling and living expenses of the members of the Agricultural Service Board.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS

08. (A) The Agricultural Service Board shall have prepared and maintain a permanent file of written minutes of the business transacted at all meetings.
- (B) The Agricultural Service Board shall carry out all duties and responsibilities defined in the Agricultural Service Board Act and regulations thereto, and the policies of the M.D. of Northern Lights No.22.

- (C) The Agricultural Service Board shall regularly provide to Council a summary of its activities.

EFFECTIVE DATE


09. That this bylaw shall have force and take effect on the final reading thereof.

10. Ministerial Order #01-63-119 is hereby rescinded.

Read for a First time this 27 day of November 2007.

Read for a Second time this 11 day of December 2007.

Read for a Third and Final time this 11 day of December 2007.



Chief Elected Official



Chief Administrative Officer