

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO**

**MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2012  
IN THE RDN COMMITTEE ROOM**

**Present:**

D. Johnstone	Chairperson
B. Dempsey	District of Lantzville
J. Fell	Electoral Area F
J. McLeod	Representative (South)
C. Evans	Representative (South)
C. Springford	Representative (North)
A. Brown	Representative (North)
R. Wahlgren	Representative (North)

**Also in Attendance:**

I. Smith	Upland Consulting
A. Lawseth	AEL Agroecological Consulting
W. Haddow	BC Ministry of Agriculture
M. Young	Director, Electoral Area C
P. Thorkelsson	General Manager of Development Services
J. Holm	Manager, Current Planning
L. Rowett	Senior Planner
K. Sanders	Recording Secretary

**Regrets:**

A. Benson	Representative (South)
K. Reid	Representative (North)

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm by the Chair.

**MINUTES**

MOVED Director Fell, SECONDED Director Dempsey, that the minutes of the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on February 24, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

**COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED J. McLeod, SECONDED Director Fell, that the Committee accept the Provincial Report on BC Agriculture Climate Change Adaptation for information.

**REPORTS**

**Draft Agricultural Area Plan**

The Committee discussed the draft Plan document with staff and the Consultant (Upland Consulting), and provided feedback on the Plan.

Staff provided an update on the next steps in the Plan process including additional public consultation.

MOVED Director Dempsey, SECONDED Director Fell, that verbal report on the Draft Agricultural Area Plan be accepted.

CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

MOVED J. McLeod, SECONDED A. Brown, that a representative from the VIEx be invited to an AAC meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED J. McLeod, SECONDED Director Dempsey, that this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Time: 3:40 pm

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CHAIRPERSON