REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2010 IN THE RDN BENSON ROOM

Present:

Director J. Burnett Chairperson

A. Brown
A. Benson
Representative (North)
Representative (South)
J. McLeod
Representative (South)
City of Nanaimo

Also in Attendance:

P. Thorkelsson General Manager of Development Services

D. Lindsay Manager of Current Planning

Karen Sanders Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order.

DELEGATIONS

Peter Alexander, Deputy Assessor of BC Assessment presented information on draft Farm Assessment (copy of presentation attached).

MINUTES

MOVED D. Johnstone, SECONDED J. McLeod, that the minutes from the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held November 27, 2009, be received.

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

The brochure regarding FutureFarmsBC was distributed to the AAC members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOVED D. Johnstone, SECONDED J. McLeod that the report '2008 Farmed Animal Mass Carcass Disposal Plan' be received for information.

NEW BUSINESS

Questions that arose from general discussion:

With regard to the mass carcass disposal plan, it was mentioned that transport emergencies should be addressed. It was suggested that Jani Drew, Emergency Coordinator be invited to the next AAC meeting to answer any questions the members have regarding the report.

MOVED J. McLeod, SECONDED D. Johnstone that the AAC recommend that the RDN Board develop an area agricultural plan.

REPORTS

Greg Keller, Senior Planner presented information on "Agriculture in the Draft Electoral Area 'A' OCP".

The next AAC meeting was confirmed as April 30, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

The	meeting	was	adjourned	at	3:20	pm.

CHAIRPERSON		