

A. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND ROLL CALL

The regular teleconference meeting of the Board of Agriculture & Conservation (BAC) was held January 23, 2015, at the Division of Agriculture conference room, 1800 Glenn Highway, St.12, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Ben VanderWeele called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Board members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Ben VanderWeele, Chair
Mr. John Schirack, Vice Chair
Mr. Al Poindexter, Board member (telephone)-joined at 10:08 a.m.
Mr. Chris Flickinger, Board member (telephone)
Mr. Troy Shelden, Board member (telephone)
Ms. Deidre Berberich, Board member
Ms. Roxy Marcy, Board member (telephone)

Staff in attendance was:

Mr. John Crowther, DNR Inter-Governmental Coordinator (telephone)
Ms. Franci Havemeister, Director
Ms. Lora Haralson, Administrative Officer I
Ms. Amanda Swanson, ARLF Loan Officer
Mr. Robert McFarlane, AAG (telephone)
Mr. Erik Johnson, Natural Resource Specialist II
Ms. Olga Lotosh, ARLF Accountant (telephone)

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no objections to the agenda.

APPROVAL: The agenda was approved as presented.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS/SESSION

(No members of the public made comments).

D. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

December 18, 2014 Draft Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Vice Chair Schirack moved to approve the minutes of December 18, 2014.

SECOND Board member Berberich seconded the motion.

APPROVAL: The minutes were approved as presented.

E. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

Chair VanderWeele stated now is the time for conflict disclosures. You have the agenda outlining pending business and we will be going into executive session later to address loan requests. Does any member have a conflict to disclose relating to any business before the board?

(No conflicts were reported).

F. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Loan Officer Swanson:

1. Asset Report

The January 2015 asset report was reviewed.

(The Board had no questions).

AAG McFarlane:

2. Public Session Report

The public session attorney general report was presented.

(The Board had no questions).

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session for the AAG Executive Session Report and the Skidmore Collateral Release included Chair Ben VanderWeele, Vice Chair John Schirack, Board member Chris Flickinger (telephone), Board member Troy Sheldon (telephone), Board member Al Poindexter (telephone), Board member Deidre Berberich, Board member Roxy Marcy (telephone), DNR Inter-Governmental Coordinator John Crowthers (telephone) Director Franci Havemeister, AAG Robert McFarlane (telephone), ARLF Loan Officer Amanda Swanson and Administrative Officer Lora Haralson.

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Fellman Property Asset Disposal Approved

MOTION: Board member Berberich moved to list the Fellman property with two Brokers opinion of value and let the staff determine which realtor to choose for a six month term with ARLF financing

available to qualified borrowers according to Alaska State statute and regulation.

SECOND: Board member Marcy seconded the motion.

**Statement from the Board of Agriculture and Conservation
Regarding Disposal of ARLF Property
Located at 4614 Tanana Loop Extension, Delta Junction**

The Board of Agriculture and Conservation has discussed the options available for disposal of the Fellman Delta Junction property. The board believes that listing the property for sale at market value would be in the best interest of the State. A realtor will be able to market the property to a wide audience of prospective buyers, physically show the property to prospective purchasers, and ultimately obtain the best price for the property in the least amount of time. A realtor will also be able to keep the board advised of the condition and care of the property, make recommendations as to repairs and maintenance, and to notify the board of any trespass concerns. For these reasons, the board has determined that it would be in the best interest of the State to list the subject property for sale with a real estate broker. This determination is made pursuant to 11 AAC 39.720(b) (6).

ROLL CALL

VOTE: The motion passed with seven votes. Chair VanderWeele, Vice Chair Schirack, Board member Shelden (telephone), Board member Flickinger (telephone), Board member Poindexter (telephone) Board member Berberich and Board member Marcy (telephone) voted yes.

2. Skidmore Partial Collateral Release Approved

MOTION: Board member Berberich moved to approve the Jason & Katrina Skidmore partial collateral release as recommended by the loan officer:

1. The Board of Agriculture & Conservation waives their previous requirement for an updated Broker's Opinion of Value
2. The Board of Agriculture & Conservation approves releasing Lots 1 and 2 of Skidmore Subdivision as collateral. Lot 3 of Skidmore Subdivision will remain as collateral on ARLF notes until paid in full.

SUBJECT TO: Receipt of payment for the F-5177 loan.

SECOND: Vice Chair Schirack seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL

VOTE: The motion passed with seven yes votes. Chair VanderWeele, Vice Chair Schirack, Board member Shelden (telephone), Board member Flickinger (telephone), Board member Poindexter (telephone), Board member Berberich and Board member Marcy (telephone) voted yes.

H. NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

(There is no new/old business).

I. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

(The Board had no comments).

J. SET NEXT MEETING & AGENDA ITEMS:

The next meeting will be February 26, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

K. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 am