

Appendix 1 (BAC Meeting April 16, 2024)
DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE
BOARD OF AGRICULTURE & CONSERVATION
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND ROLL CALL:

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
04/16/2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Agriculture & Conservation (BAC) was held on 04/16/24, in person & via Zoom/teleconference. Chair Jeff Vance called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

A. ROLL CALL/ APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

Rollcall Vote:

i. MOTION: Moved to approve the agenda and minutes of preceding meeting.

Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates –Yes, Bergy- Absent, Boring – Yes, Davies – Yes, Jensi-Yes

VOTE: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent during Roll Call vote.

Board members present and establishing a quorum were:

-Brian Scoresby, Division Director (In person)

-Jeffrey (Jeff) Vance, Chair (Zoom)

-John Anderson, Vice Chair (Zoom)

-Matt Bates, Board Member (Zoom)

-James (Jamie) Boring, Board Member (Zoom)

-Stuart (Stu) Davies, Board Member (Zoom)

-Adam Jensi, Board Member (In Person)

Staff in Attendance:

Bryan Scoresby, Director

Christy Kolvoord, Natural Resource Specialist III (ARLF Loan Officer, In person)

Kevin Higgins, Attorney 5, Dept. of Law (Zoom)

June Gotschall, Accountant 5, DNR (Zoom)

George Deaton, Accountant 3, DNR (Zoom)

Cynthia Morales, Accountant 4, DNR (Zoom)

Public in Attendance:

- TJ Gittins -Resubmission of application

- Rachel Lord-Food Policy Counsel

- Kyra Wagner-Land and Water District-Homer

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES-NONE

D. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

i. Bryan Scoresby Division Update:

i. Feed Grain Reserve

1. set the Barley for \$3.23/ton, Oats not set.

2. No one has signed any contracts yet.

ii. Director visited Portland Oregon for WUSATA meeting.

- iii. Reviewed several ARLF applications.
- iv. PMC-working on seed house renovations.
 - 1. PMC will be down during new equipment installation.
 - 2. Hired Cody Johnson as new evasive weed specialist.
- ii. Erick Johnson-Ag Land Management
 - i. Subdivision of land-Board reviewed farm 2 plans. – Approved
 - ii. 180-acre ARLF land purchase will need to be reviewed soon.
- iii. ARLF FINANCIALS
 - i. Any questions? NONE
- iv. Public Comment Session
 - i. Rachel Lord, AFPC-Attending the meeting to understand the BAC duties, ARLF program and loan forgiveness program.
 - 1. Vance: would like to bring Rachel Lord to present to BAC soon.
 - ii. Kyra Wagner-District manager for Homer Land and Water District-listening in to understand the BAC duties.

E. NEW/OLD BUSINESS-NONE

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION –

- i. MOTION: Moved to go to executive session to discuss confidential loan information and delinquencies.
 - i. 1st – Stu Davies
 - ii. 2nd -Jamie BoringRoll call-Vance-yes, Anderson-yes, Bates-yes, Boring-yes, Davies-yes, Jenski-yes
Vote: 6 yes, 1 absent.

G. PUBLIC SESSION ON LOAN APPLICATIONS

- i. MOTION: Approve Nate Burriss resubmission per loan officer’s recommendation.
 - i. 1st – Mat Bates
 - ii. 2nd – John AndersonVOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates – Yes, Boring - Yes, Davies – Yes, Jenski – Yes.
VOTE: 6 yes, 0 no, and 1 absent.
Motion APPROVED
- ii. MOTION: Thomas Gittins resubmission approval with the 5 year moratorium and annual review and stipulation life of the loan must be agricultural or can be called.
 - i. 1st – Adam Jenski
 - ii. 2nd – Stu DaviesDISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Vance – No, Anderson – Yes, Bates – No, Boring - Yes, Davies –No, Jenski – Yes.
VOTE: 3 yes, 3 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent.
Motion Denied

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- iii. MOTION: To deny the loan for Dana Armstrong
 - i. 1st – Matt Bates
 - ii. 2nd – Stu DaviesDISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates – Yes, Boring - Yes, Davies – Yes, Jensi – Yes.
VOTE: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent.
Motion Approved-Loan Denied

- iv. MOTION: To deny the loan for Steve Floyd
 - i. 1st – Stu Davies
 - ii. 2nd – Matt BatesDISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates – Yes, Boring - Yes, Davies – Yes, Jensi – Yes.
VOTE: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent.
Motion Approved-Loan Denied

- v. MOTION: To approve loan for Emily Garrity and Colin McGovern per loan officer recommendation
 - i. 1st – Adam Jensi
 - ii. 2nd – Stu DaviesDISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates – Yes, Boring - Yes, Davies – Yes, Jensi – Yes.
VOTE: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent.
Motion Approved

- vi. MOTION: To approve loan for Pacific Kelp with interest only payments for 5 years, then interest and principal payments for 25 years and personal guarantees from Nick Stern and John Smet
 - i. 1st – Adam Jensi
 - ii. 2nd – Matt BatesDISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates – Yes, Boring - No, Davies – Yes, Jensi – Yes.
VOTE: 5 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent.
Motion Approved

- vii. MOTION: Approve Pam Rule based on loan officer recommendations.
 - i. 1st – Stu Davies
 - ii. 2nd – Adam Jensi

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – No, Boring - Yes, Davies – Yes, Jenki – Yes.

VOTE: 4 yes, 1 no, 1 recused, and 1 absent.

Motion Approved

viii. MOTION: To approve the Wrigley loan per the loan officer recommendation

i. 1st – Stu Davies

ii. 2nd – Adam Jenki

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Vance – Yes, Anderson – Yes, Bates – Yes, Boring - Yes, Davies – Yes, Jenki – Yes.

VOTE: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent.

Motion Approved

H. BOARDMEMBER COMMENTS

- i. Jamie Boring-good to have a list of loans and what the purpose for the loans is good to be able to see. Next time have the outstanding balances.
- ii. Stu Davies-Surprised we were able to get through all the loans.
- iii. Jeff Vance-we need a young farmer program and welcome any public ideas.

I. SET NEXT MEETING (NO MOTION NEEDED)

- i. April 16th, 2024

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn @ 11:50 AM

1st: Inaudible

2nd: Stu Davies

All in favor say “Ay”. The ayes have it.