DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE & CONSERVATION

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND ROLL CALL:

The regular meeting of the Board of Agriculture & Conservation (BAC) was held on 12/22/2025, in person & via Zoom/teleconference. Chair Jeff Vance called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

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 –N/A, Bergy- N/A, Boring – Yes, Davies – Yes, Jenski-Yes

VOTE: 5 yes, 0 no, and 2 absent during Roll Call vote.

Board members present and establishing a quorum were:

-Jeffrey (Jeff) Vance, Chair (Zoom)

-John Anderson, Vice Chair (Zoom)

-Matt Bates, Board Member (Absent)

-Tom Bergy (Absent)

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

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

-Adam Jenski, Board Member (In Person)

Staff in Attendance:

Bryan Scoresby, Director

Christy Allison, Natural Resource Specialist III (ARLF Loan Officer, In person) Gavin Ulbrich, Loan Collections Officer (In person) George Deaton, Accountant 3, DNR (Zoom) Kevin Higgins, Attorney 5, Dept. of Law (Zoom) Erik "Moe" Johnson – Land Specialist (In Person)

Public in Attendance: Meghan Cobb, Mike Hofmann, Dylan Blankenship, Nick Bouman, Jay, AK4SQ, Tarn Coffey.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- **C.** CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES- Adam Jenski Meghan Cobb Loan. Chair jeff Vance requested written notice.
- **D.** REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE
 - i. Bryan Scoresby Division Update:
 - ii. Heading up to Delta Junction with Casey Dinkel for the Co-Op board meeting and picking up / delivering grain for Delta Farmers.

- iii. Jarrod on inspections team put in notice and his last day is Friday.
- iv. Gained Andy as revegetation specialist who worked at the PMC 16 years ago.
- v. May 6th is Alaska Agriculture Day
- vi. Last week was the Alaska FFA state convention where three new state chapters being chartered.
- ii. ARLF FINANCIALS
 - i. Any questions? Stu Davies How much is left in the ARLF balance to lend?
 - ii. Christy Allison There is \$6,200,000 left to lend.
- iii. Public Comment Session: None

E. NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- i. Jamie Boring update on committee We sent out a list of infrastructure initiatives which was sent out last March. Next committee meeting will discuss what is reasonable.
- ii. Stu Davies- Really good ideas on the list we need to act on. We need to refill the balance of the ARLF fund.
- iii. Jamie Boring- What are recommendations from the director?
- iv. Director Scoresby We work for the executive branch and need to stay in channels designated regarding the committee ideas.
- v. Jeff- Hold off on previous conversation with Jamie until hearing back from our lawyer Kevin Higgins.

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- i. MOTION: Moved to go to executive session to discuss confidential loan information and delinquencies.
 - i. 1^{st} Stu Davies
 - ii. 2nd Adam Jenski Roll call
 VOTE: <u>5</u> Yes, <u>No</u>, <u>2</u> Absent, <u>Recused</u> Motion APPROVED

G. PUBLIC SESSION ON LOAN APPLICATIONS

- i. MOTION: Table Dylan Blankenship Loan
- ii. MOTION: Approve Nick Bouman loan with stipulation discussed.
- iii. 1^{st} Stu Davies
- iv. 2nd Jamie Boring
- v. Vance Yes, Boring Yes, Anderson N/A, Bates N/A, Bergy- N/A, Davies Yes, Jenski Yes.
 VOTE: 4 Yes, No, 3 Absent, Recused

Motion APPROVED

- vi. MOTION: Decline Michael Hoffman Loan Application
- vii. 1st Adam Jenski
- viii. 2nd Jamie Boring
- ix. Vance No, Boring Yes, Anderson N/A, Bates N/A, Bergy- N/A, Davies No, Jenski Yes.
 VOTE: 2_Yes, 2_No, 3_Absent, ____Recused Motion: Not Passed.
 - x. MOTION: Approve Scott Plagerman Loan Application
- xi. 1^{st} Stu Davies
- xii. 2nd Adam Jenski
- xiii. Vance Yes, Boring Yes, Anderson N/A, Bates N/A, Bergy- N/A, Davies Yes, Jenski Yes
 VOTE: _4___Yes, ____No, _3_Absent, ____Recused
 Motion: Approved
- xiv. MOTION: Decline Meghan Cobb Loan Application
- xv. 1^{st} Stu Davies
- xvi. 2^{nd} Jeff Vance
- xvii. Vance Yes, Boring Yes, Anderson N/A, Bates N/A, Bergy- N/A, Davies Yes, Jenski N/A
 VOTE: <u>3</u> Yes, <u>No</u>, <u>3</u> Absent, <u>1</u> Recused Motion: Approved
- xviii. MOTION: Decline Mystic Farms LLC. Loan Application
- xix. 1^{st} Jamie Boring
- xx. 2^{nd} Stu Davies
- xxi. Vance Yes, Boring Yes, Anderson N/A, Bates N/A, Bergy- N/A, Davies Yes, Jenski Yes
 VOTE: <u>4</u>Yes, <u>No</u>, <u>3</u>Absent, <u>Recused</u>
 Motion: Approved

H. BOARDMEMBER COMMENTS:

 Stu Davies – Addressing last meeting minutes, referencing Moe's property approval for land sale "taking years to do this" is unacceptable. Parcel in Eielson Ag. Project on books, and surveyed with Dept. for years. I would like to see the Dept. get act together and make parcels available to the public. The effort is to get land in production and increase tax revenue. We should work together with DMLW to get these parcels into the hands of the public instead of taking years. This has been a great meeting.

- ii. Adam Jenski I would like to have Casey Dinkel (PMC Manager) present for the larger loans being discussed at the BAC meetings. He can add value to the discussion.
- iii. Gavin Ulbrich Apologize for BAC packets being unorganized, will not happen in the future.
- iv. Jamie- When can we get the packages (referring to next meeting)
- v. Stu Davies Did you have a computer problem Jamie? Because, Gavin Sent them last week.
- vi. Gavin Yeah, it would have been last Wednesday morning.
- vii. Jeff Vance it shouldn't be an attachment; it should be a link.
- viii. Jamie Boring Its my fault for not looking before today, I looked at 9 o'clock.
- I. NEXT MEETING: [05/27/2025]

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Stu Davies

Second: Jeff Vance

All in favor say "Ay". The ayes have it.

Adjourned 11:45 am.