

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133 POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD</b></p>	<p><b>Function:</b> <b>Policy No.</b> <b>Effective Date:</b> <b>Supersedes:</b> <b>Amends:</b></p>	<p><b>Agriculture Services ASB.01</b> <b>February 18, 2020</b> <b>December 16, 2010</b> <b>ASB 01/02/03/04</b></p>
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**Policy Statement**

The Agricultural Service Board is established pursuant to Bylaw 07-2011 and in accordance with the Agriculture Service Board Act A-10, RSA 2000.

**Procedure**

1. The Agriculture Service Board Shall:
  - a) act as an advisory body to assist Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 and the Minister of Agriculture in matters of mutual concern;
  - b) advise on and help direct weed and pest control; soil conservation programs; control of animal disease under the Animal Health Act within;
  - c) promote and develop policies to meet the agricultural needs of the Municipality;
  - d) promote protection of viable and sustainable agriculture with a view to improving the economic sustainability of agricultural producer;
  - e) review and evaluate all programs making recommendations on what programs should be implemented in the budget;
  - f) recommend prioritization of programs in relation to the annual budget.
  
2. To meet the needs of the municipality, the Agriculture Service Board shall meet monthly or a minimum of six (6) times per year.
  
3. The Agriculture Service Board members shall receive remuneration for attendance at meetings or other pre-approved events at rates established from time to time by Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133.
  
4. The Agriculture Service Board shall develop a budget annually to meet the programming needs of the Municipality, adopt the budget annually prior to February and present it to Council through the administrative process set by the Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133.
  
5. This Policy amends Policy ASB.01 and repeals Policies ASB.02, ASB.03 and ASB.04 upon being adopted.