

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Tuesday, September 08, 2015, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: M. Blake, Mayor
T. Ault, Councillor
L. Bussieres, Councillor
J. Cardinal, Councillor
S. Germain, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor
P. Meagher, Councillor
J. Stroud, Councillor
C. Tatum, Councillor
A. Vinni, Councillor

Absent: J. Chadi, Councillor

Administration: M. Ulliac, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Leflar, Chief Legislative Officer
A. Rogers, Senior Legislative Officer
S. Harper, Legislative Officer

Call To Order

Mayor M. Blake called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

National Anthem

The National Anthem was performed by local resident, Tina Wang.

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. Minutes from Council Meeting - September 1, 2015

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on September 1, 2015 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports

**3. Municipal Public Art Policy PRL-160
- scheduled delegation - Sharon Heading, Public Art Committee
(6:08 p.m. – 6:27 p.m.)**

Sharon Heading, Public Art Committee Member, provided a presentation on the Municipal Public Art Policy and the Public Art Committee's activities to date.

Carole Bouchard, Director of Community Services; and Leigh Agozzino-Organ, Supervisor of Community Strategies, provided a presentation on the Municipal Public Art Policy PRL-160, indicating the Administration's recommendation to extend the policy for an additional year to January 1, 2017.

It was suggested that public art be reflective of community history and heritage, and that there also be an equitable distribution of public art between rural and urban communities.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the presentation from Sharon Heading, Public Art Committee, be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath that the Municipal Public Art Policy (PRL-160), dated September 8, 2015, remain in effect for an additional year, with a further review to be conducted on or before January 1, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Delegations

2. Philip Osborne, Philtech Enterprises re: Compliance: The Foibles of Enforcement Culture

(6:28 – 6:31 p.m.)

As Mr. P. Osborne entered the meeting after his scheduled presentation time, Council allowed him to present after the completion of discussion on the Municipal Art Policy PRL-160.

Exit and Return

Councillor K. McGrath exited the meeting at 6:28 p.m. and returned at 6:31 p.m.

Philip Osborne, Philtech Enterprises, provided a presentation on Compliance: The Foibles of Enforcement Culture, emphasizing the need for preventative measures, such as education, to combat non-compliance, as opposed to reactive enforcement measures with regard to community policing.

Moved by Councillor C. Tatum that the presentation from Philip Osborne be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Arrival

Councillor P. Meagher entered the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

4. 2017 Alberta 55 Plus Games Bid

(6:32 – 7:12 p.m.)

Carole Bouchard, Director of Community Services; and Monica Lance, Manager of Community Strategies, provided a presentation on the 2017 Alberta 55 Plus Games and the prospect of submitting a bid to host.

Moved by Councillor L. Bussieres that the 2017 Alberta 55 Plus

Games Bid matter be referred to administration for engagement and consultation with community stakeholders groups, such as the Seniors Resource Centre, Golden Years Society, and Advisory Committee on Aging; and be brought back for consideration to the September 15, 2015 Council Meeting.

A request was made to have administration research and provide information on the possibility of forming a Sports Alliance or Committee to provide guidance in planning for sports events in the community.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. 2018 Alberta Summer and/or Winter Games Host Bid

(7:13 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)

Carole Bouchard, Director of Community Services; and Monica Lance, Manager of Community Strategies, provided a presentation on the 2018 Alberta Summer and/or Winter Games and the prospect of submitting a bid to host.

Council indicated the need for administration to establish a process inclusive of strong interdepartmental communication and collaboration to ensure all research has been completed and all relevant information is presented to Council to prevent ad hoc decision making.

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo proceed with preparing a bid to host the 2018 Alberta Winter Games.

CARRIED

For: T. Ault, L. Bussieres, J. Cardinal,
S. Germain, K. McGrath, P.
Meagher, J. Stroud, C. Tatum,
A. Vinni

Opposed: M. Blake

6. Request to Host Communities in Bloom 2020 Symposium

(7:31 p.m. – 7:42 p.m.)

Carole Bouchard, Director of Community Services, provided a presentation on the proposal to host the National 2020 Communities in Bloom Symposium.

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (Municipality) authorize the submission of a proposal to host the National 2020 Communities in Bloom Symposium.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillors' Motions

7. Municipal Campaign Contributions

(7:43 p.m. – 8:17 p.m.)

Councillor Ault presented the following motion for consideration:

1. “THAT the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo supports the proposition that both corporations and labour unions should be prohibited from making donations to the campaigns of persons running for the office of councillor or chief elected official under the *Municipal Government Act*;
2. THAT the Mayor be directed to send a letter to the Premier and the Minister of Municipal Affairs, requesting that the Government of Alberta enact legislation to take effect before the next municipal election, prohibiting corporations and labour unions from making donations to the campaigns of persons running for the office of councillor or chief elected official under the *Municipal Government Act*; and
3. THAT the Regional Municipality submit resolutions to the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association and the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, urging the Government of Alberta to pass legislation to take effect before the next municipal elections, prohibiting corporations and labour unions from making donations to the campaigns of persons running for the office of councillor or chief elected official under the *Municipal Government Act*.”

Following debate, it was requested that the three provisions of the motion be voted upon separately.

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo supports the proposition that both corporations and labour unions should be prohibited from making donations to the campaigns of persons running for the office of councillor or chief elected official under the *Municipal Government Act*;

DEFEATED

For: T. Ault, K. McGrath, A. Vinni

Opposed: M. Blake, L. Bussieres, J. Cardinal, S. Germain, P. Meagher, J. Stroud, C. Tatum

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elected official under the Municipal Government Act.

DEFEATED

For: T. Ault, K. McGrath, P. Meagher, J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Opposed: M. Blake, L. Bussieres, J. Cardinal, S. Germain, C. Tatum

Adjournment

As all scheduled business matters had been concluded, Mayor M. Blake declared the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer