

**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, April 14, 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  
D. Soucy, Acting Senior Legislative Officer  
R. Kendall, Supervisor, Legislative Services  
E. Franks, Legislative Coordinator

**Swearing-In of Councillor-Elect**

Mayor M. Blake administered the Oath of Office and read the Ethical Guidelines, which Councillor C. Tatum then signed.

**Call To Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**

Mayor M. Blake invited those so inclined to join her in prayer.

**National Anthem**

**Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath:

- That the Agenda be amended by deleting Item Number 2 – Darby Allen and Alan McIntosh, Regional Emergency Services re: Emergency Management – Elected Officials; and
- That the Agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes of Previous Meetings****1. Minutes from Council Meeting - March 24, 2015**

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Minutes of the Council meeting held on March 24, 2015 be approved as presented.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Public Hearings and Related Reports****3. Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Portion of W 1/2 32-81-6 W4M, NE 32-81-6 W4M, S-82-6 W4M, NE 5-82-6 W4M - Highway 881, 77 km northwest of Janvier - Bylaw No. 15/005**

(6:13 p.m. – 6:49 p.m.)

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the Public Hearing be opened.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bradley Evanson, Manager, Community Development Planning**, provided an introduction on behalf of Administration on this Land Use Bylaw Amendment.

**John Bennett, Inter-Chem Canada Ltd.**, gave a brief opening statement on behalf of the Applicant.

**Jeffrey O'Donnell, Chief Executive Officer, Conklin Resource Development Advisory Committee**, requested that the proposed Bylaw Amendment be placed on hold until an Emergency Plan is developed for the area.

Discussions ensued regarding traffic impacts, highway improvements, potential for growth and the development permit process.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Public Hearing be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The public hearing was held between 6:13 p.m. and 6:40 p.m.

The following questions/concerns were raised:

- Has an emergency plan been put in place?
- Volatility of liquid sulphur
- What is the condition of railroad tracks between Janvier and Lac La Biche?
- How are the railroad crossings identified near communities?
- Is there a traffic assessment for Highways 63 and 881?
- Condition of Highway 881 – can improvements be made including passing lanes?

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that this matter be referred back to Administration to be returned to Council only when the questions have been answered by July 14, 2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Exit and Return

Councillor K. McGrath exited the Chamber at 6:49 p.m. and returned at 6:50 p.m.

Bylaws**4. Delegation of Council Authority – Bylaw No. 15/007**

(6:50 p.m. - 6:52 p.m.)

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 15/007, being the Delegation of Council Authority Bylaw be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath that Bylaw No. 15/007 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**5. Bylaw 15/006 Willow Lake Area Structure Plan**

(6:53 p.m. - 6:55 p.m.)

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud:

that Bylaw No. 15/006, being the Willow Lake Area Structure Plan, be read a first time; and

that the required public hearing be held on May 12, 2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports**6. Review of Approved Capital Projects**

(6:56 p.m. - 9:07 p.m.)

Exit and Return

Councillor S. Germain exited the Chamber at 7:05 p.m. and returned at 7:07 p.m.

**Michael Durocher, citizen**, spoke to project number 32 – Northside Multi-Use Facility – Phase 1 (Twin Arenas) and expressed his concerns in relation to the procurement/tendering process of the project.

**Glenn Johnston, ECO Domes**, spoke in relation to the Northside Multi-Use Facility project.

**Michael Cachia, Chair, and Rachel Orser, Director, Capital Projects, Regional Recreation Corporation**, spoke regarding the Northside Multi-Use Facility project.

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath that Council move in-camera pursuant to section 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, L. Bussieres, J. Cardinal,  
K. McGrath, P. Meagher, J. Stroud,  
A. Vinni, C. Tatum

Opposed: T. Ault, S. Germain

Council met in-camera from 7:39 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 8:09 p.m.

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath that Project 32, Northside Multi-Use Facility - Phase 1 (Twin Arenas) be amended so that the total budget is \$34,500,000 for full project costs.

CARRIED

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

Opposed: L. Bussieres

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that Administration bring back a capital budget amendment on Enterprise Resource Planning for 2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor S. Germain requested that based on the Northside Multi-Use Facility motion, the Conklin Multi-plex capital project be reopened for discussion at this time. Mayor M. Blake ruled that, in keeping with the integrity of the capital project review process, the Conklin Multi-plex has already been discussed; therefore, this item would need to come forward by way of notice of motion or through the Audit and Budget Committee.

Councillor S. Germain challenged the ruling and following some discussion, a vote was taken on support for the challenge.

DEFEATED

For: S. Germain, K. McGrath

Opposed: M. Blake, T. Ault, L. Bussieres,  
J. Cardinal, P. Meagher,  
J. Stroud, C. Tatum, A. Vinni

### Exit

Councillor K. McGrath exited the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

### **13. Waterfront Steering Committee Recommendations for Snye Point Park**

(9:08 p.m. - 9:29 p.m.)

**Kevin Scoble, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Division**, provided Administration's incorporation of the former Waterfront Steering Committee's recommendations.

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the construction of Snye Point Park proceed as outlined in the Revised Design Concept, dated April 14, 2015 (Attachment 2), which incorporates the Waterfront Steering Committee's recommendations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Carmen Ramstead and Cathy Drier, members of the former Waterfront Steering Committee**, expressed thanks to Administration for the continuation of dialogue through this process.

**9. Alternatives to the Current Flood Mitigation Plan**

(9:30 p.m. - 9:59 p.m.)

**Kevin Scoble, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Division**, provided an overview of the flood mitigation plan and delivered alternative measures for Council's consideration.

Extension of Meeting

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the meeting be extended beyond 10:00 p.m.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, T. Ault, L. Bussieres,  
J. Cardinal, S. Germain, J. Stroud,  
A. Vinni, C. Tatum

Opposed: P. Meagher

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher:

- That the construction of Reach 1 of Flood Mitigation along the Snye be finished, and the construction of Prairie Loop Boulevard between Riedel Street and McLeod Street be continued.
- That the Government of Alberta be requested to authorize a one-year deferral in implementing flood mitigation while alternative flood mitigation solutions are evaluated; and that the design and construction of the remainder of Flood Mitigation and Prairie Loop Boulevard sub-projects be placed on hold, pending resolution of the deferral request with the Government of Alberta.
- That Administration continue to interact with the former Waterfront Steering Committee and their recommendations regarding key design elements for Flood Mitigation and Prairie Loop Boulevard continue to be considered.
- That identified alternative flood mitigation solutions be evaluated and recommendations provided on the preferred solutions in October 2015 for consideration through the 2016 Capital Budget process, pending resolution of the deferral request with the Government of Alberta.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**12. Lease of Municipal Lands – Alberta First Responders Radio Communication System – Portion of Lot 35A, Block 1, Plan 032 1502, Hamlet of Janvier South (recommended by Rural Development Committee - March 24, 2015)**

(9:59 p.m. - 10:08 p.m.)

**Keith Smith, Director, and Elaine Martens, Lease Coordinator, Land Administration**, provided a brief overview of the proposed lease.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the request to authorize the lease of the property legally described as a portion of Lot 35A, Block 1, Plan 032 1502, known as 110 Janvier Drive in the Hamlet of Janvier South, to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General for the Province of Alberta, in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the Letter of Intent, dated March 6, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 11. Reserve Designation Removal from portion of Lot 3MR, Block 10, Plan 792 0314 (recommended by Rural Development Committee - March 24, 2015)**  
(10:09 p.m. - 10:13 p.m.)

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud:

that the removal of the Municipal Reserve designation from the property legally described as Lot 3MR, Block 10, Plan 792 0314 be approved; and

that a non-statutory public hearing be held on April 28, 2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The following items were not dealt with at the meeting and have been referred back to the Agenda Review Committee for direction:

- 7. **Jubilee Centre Reno/Construction 2014-2016**
- 8. **Transit Facility Construction Green Trip**
- 10. **Subdivision Time Extension Request – Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 1320008 (Saprae Creek East)**
- 14. **Policy LEG-180 - Attendance at Political Fundraising Events and Other Events – Elected Officials, Chief Administrative Officer and Executive Directors**
- 15. **Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Appointer Representatives - Fort McMurray Airport Authority**
- 16. **Municipal Corporate Utility**

### Adjournment

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the meeting be adjourned

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, L. Bussieres , P. Meagher,  
J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Opposed: T. Ault, J. Cardinal, S. Germain,  
C. Tatum

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer