

Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Present: J. Bancarz, Chair
M. Farrington (via teleconference)
S. Germain, Councillor
M. Giles
M. Hodson
K. Jenkins
A. Vinni, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor

Absent: K. Fleury

Administration: D. Woodworth, Recovery Team Lead
J. Brown, Supervisor, Legislative Services
J. Wall, Legislative Coordinator

Call To Order

Chair, J. Bancarz called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m. and sent regrets on behalf of K. Fleury.

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by M. Giles that the Agenda be adopted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. Minutes of Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee Meeting - October 19, 2016

Moved by M. Hodson that the minutes of the Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee meeting held on October 19, 2016 be approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Presentations

2. Wood Buffalo Community Wellness and Resiliency re: Psychosocial Recovery Progress and Priorities
(5:09 p.m. - 5:46 p.m.)

Carole Bouchard, Director, Community Services, Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, provided a presentation on the Wood Buffalo Community Wellness and Resiliency - Psychosocial Recovery Progress and Priorities. She was joined by **Rebecca Thompson, Alberta Health Services,** who provided an overview of Connect, Access, Refer, Engage Wood Buffalo (CARE).

3. Debris Removal Update
(5:47 p.m. – 5:58 p.m.)

Erin O'Neill and Dennis Warr, Operations Branch, Recovery Task Force, provided a verbal update on the debris removal to date.

New and Unfinished Business

4. Secondary and Emergency Access Roads
(5:59 p.m. – 7:25 p.m.)

Dawny. George, Director, Engineering, Mazhar Hajhossein, Manager, Transportation and Infrastructure Planning and Dennis Warr, Operations Branch, Recovery Task Force provided a presentation on secondary and emergency access routes.

Councillor K. McGrath put the following motion forward for consideration: “That it be recommended that Council approve a 2016 capital budget amendment to advance the preliminary design of emergency access roads for the communities of Abasand, Beacon Hill and Wood Buffalo, as set out in Attachment 3.”

J. Rogers, resident, spoke in support of the proposed secondary and emergency access routes.

Exit and Return

Councillor K. McGrath exited the Chamber at 6:37 p.m. and returned at 6:38 p.m.

Exit

M. Farrington left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the motion be amended by striking “emergency” and inserting “construction” in its place.

Debate occurred on the proposed amendment and Councillor A. Vinni withdrew his amendment, with consent of the Committee.

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the motion be amended by inserting “egress” after the word “emergency” and inserting the words “and construction” before the word “access” and add “and apply for DRP funding for these projects”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Voting then occurred on the main motion, as amended:

Moved by Councillor K. McGrath that it be recommended that Council approve a 2016 capital budget amendment to advance the preliminary design of emergency egress and construction access roads for the communities of Abasand, Beacon Hill and Wood Buffalo, as set out in Attachment 3 and apply for DRP funding for these projects.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Meeting Schedule
(7:26 p.m. – 7:28 p.m.)

Moved by M. Giles that for the remainder of 2016 Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee Meetings be held on November 9, November 23 and December 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jubilee Centre Council Chamber.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Sub-Committee Reports
(7:29 p.m. – 7:34 p.m.)

M. Giles, Chair of the Mitigation and Economy Sub-Committees, provided an update on the initiatives of both sub-committees to date.

K. Jenkins, Chair of the Rebuild Sub Committee, provided an update on the initiatives of the sub-committee to date.

7. Wildfire Recovery Team Update

There was no Wildfire Recovery Team Update

Adjournment

As all scheduled business matters had been concluded, Chair J. Bancarz declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Chair

Chief Legislative Officer