

**Unapproved 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, June 07, 2017, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** J. Bancarz, Chair  
K. Fleury  
M. Giles  
S. Germain, Councillor  
K. Jenkins

**Absent:** N. Aubrey  
M. Farrington  
K. McGrath, Councillor  
A. Vinni, Councillor

**Administration:** D. Woodworth, Team Lead, Recovery Task Force (via teleconference)  
E. O'Neill, Operations Manager, Recovery Task Force  
J. Brown, Senior Legislative Officer  
S. Soutter, Legislative Officer

**Call To Order**

Chair J. Bancarz called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., and sent regrets on behalf of N. Aubrey, M. Farrington, Councillor K. McGrath and Councillor A. Vinni.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by K. Jenkins that the agenda be adopted as presented.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**1. Minutes of Wood Buffalo Recovery Meeting - May 17, 2017**

Moved by K. Fleury that the minutes of the Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee meeting held on May 17, 2017 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Presentations**

**2. Rob de Pruis, Insurance Bureau of Canada re: Insurance Update**  
(6:05 p.m. to 6:33 p.m.)

**Rob de Pruis, Director, Consumer & Industry Relations, Western, Insurance Bureau of Canada**, provided an insurance update covering the impacts of the wildfire on insurance, supports that were provided to the residents and a summary of complaints that were submitted to the General Insurance Ombud Service.

**3. Jane Barter, Psychosocial Coordinator and Angela Henhoeffler, Social and Community Development Coordinator, Recovery Task Force re: People Pillar Update**

(6:34 p.m. to 6:46 p.m.)

**Jane Barter and Angela Henhoeffler, Recovery Task Force** presented information on health and wellness services and ongoing activities that have been provided to the community, as well as an update on the community gathering held on May 3, 2017.

**4. Jenelle Hart, Environment Supervisor, Recovery Task Force, re: Phase III Soil Testing**

(6:47 p.m. to 6:58 p.m.)

**Jenelle Hart, Environment Supervisor, Recovery Task Force**, presented an overview of Phase I and II Soil Sampling outcomes and the preliminary results of Phase III Soil Testing.

**5. Ciarán Thompson and Collin Toews, Engagement Strategists, Recovery Task Force re: Stakeholder Engagement Update**

(6:59 p.m. to 7:13 p.m.)

**Ciarán Thompson and Collin Toews, Engagement Strategists, Recovery Task Force**, provided an update on the engagement efforts and collaboration with stakeholders for the Recovery Task Force and the Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee.

Recess

A brief recess occurred between 7:14 p.m. and 7:23 p.m.

**New and Unfinished Business**

**6. 2017 Capital Budget Amendment – Waterways Zone 3 Slope Stability**

(7:24 p.m. to 9:12 p.m.)

**Erin O’Neill, Operations Manager, Recovery Task Force**, provided an overview of the report noting that the acquisition of the 14 properties in Zone 3 was reviewed by the Recovery Task Force and Administration. As a result it is recommended that the Municipality acquire the remaining 14 properties. **Don Proudfoot, Thurber Engineering Inc (via teleconference), Oscar Gonzalez and Mazhar Hajhossein, Engineering and Infrastructure**, were in attendance to address technical questions.

Moved by Councillor M. Giles that the Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee recommend to Council that:

- the Municipality proceed with the acquisition, at pre-fire value, and mitigation of the properties identified in red on Attachment 1 (Waterways Report – Additional Proposed Land Acquisitions, dated May 25, 2017); and
- the 2017 Capital Budget be amended as outlined in Attachment 2 (Capital Budget Amendment – Waterways Zone 3 Slope Stability Land Acquisition and Regrading, dated May 25, 2017).

**Monica Thompson, resident**, provided a presentation in support of the motion noting the various concerns with her property located at 7403 Cliff Avenue.

**Frances Jean, resident**, spoke against the acquisition of her properties located at 7303 and 7305 Cliff Avenue.

**Najwa Karamujic, resident**, spoke in favour of the land acquisition noting concerns related to her property located at 7407 Cliff Avenue.

**Joan Furber, resident**, spoke in support of the recommendation noting that she has a vested interest in the property located at 7307 Cliff Avenue.

**Jim Rogers, resident**, addressed the committee with regard to the recommendation.

**Larry LeMesurier, resident**, spoke in support of an optional acquisition for some of the properties and mandatory acquisition of others. It was indicated that his property is located at 7311 Cliff Avenue.

**Andre Maher and Vanessa Robertson, residents**, spoke against the acquisition of their property located at 7417 Cliff Avenue noting that they are committed to rebuilding.

**Paul McLeod, resident**, spoke against the recommendation.

**Ken Sheardown, Office Manager, Athabasca Tribal Council**, supported the mandatory acquisition and sought assurance that appropriate mitigation will be put in place by the Municipality to protect water run off around the Athabasca Tribal Council property.

Voting then occurred on the motion presented by M. Giles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7. Sub-Committee Reports**  
(9:13 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.)

**M. Giles, Economy and Mitigate Sub-Committee**, provided an update on initiatives to date.

**8. Wildfire Recovery Team Update**  
(9:16 p.m. to 9:20 p.m.)

**Dana Woodworth, Recovery Team Leader**, spoke to the accomplishments of the Wood Buffalo Recovery Task Force and the future of the task force.

**9. Roundtable**  
(9:20 p.m. to 9:24 p.m.)

**Councillor S. Germain and Chair J. Bancarz N**, provided commentary and closing remarks with regard to the endeavors of the Committee and the Recovery Task Force.

**Adjournment**

As all scheduled business matters had been concluded, Chair J. Bancarz declared the meeting adjourned at 9.25 p.m.

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Chair

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Chief Legislative Officer