

Minutes of a Special 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 Wednesday, July 26, 2017, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: M. Blake, Mayor
T. Ault, Councillor
L. Bussieres, Councillor
S. Germain, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor (via teleconference)
P. Meagher, Councillor
J. Stroud, Councillor
A. Vinni, Councillor

Absent J. Cardinal, Councillor
C. Tatum, Councillor
C. Voyageur, Councillor

Administration: A. Antoniak, Interim Chief Administrative Officer
J. Brown, Senior Legislative Officer
L. Ollivier, A/Chief Financial Officer
R. Billard, Director
C. Bouchard, Director
J. Doyle, Director
D. George, Director
D. Leflar, Director
D. Soucy, Legislative Officer

Call To Order

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

Public Hearings and Related Reports

- 1. Land Planning and Transportation Committee Recommendation – Bylaw No. 17/012 – Reserve Designation Removal and Sale of Portion Block R1, Plan 7520462 (Gregoire)**
(6:02 p.m. – 6:10 p.m.)

Pecuniary Interest

Councillor S. Germain declared a potential pecuniary interest in the upcoming item due to a business interest and exited the Chamber at 6:02 p.m.

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 17/012 opened at 6:02 p.m.

Jamie Doyle, Director, Planning and Development, provided an overview of the proposed removal of reserve designation and land sale, which would facilitate consolidation with adjacent land, and noted that the net proceeds of the sale would be directed towards parks and recreational activities.

Veronica Bravo-Ganoria, Accounts Manager, 1944018 Alberta Ltd., provided an overview of the request for reserve designation removal and the offer to purchase on behalf of the applicant.

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw 17/012 closed at 6:07 p.m.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 17/012, being a bylaw to remove a portion of the Reserve designation within Block R1, Plan 7520462, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 17/012 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that subject to the passing of Bylaw No. 17/012, a 0.32 hectare (0.79 acre) portion of the parcel legally described as Block R1, Plan 7520462 be disposed of, at market value subject to the terms and conditions outlined in Summary of Land Sale Terms and Conditions, dated April 24, 2017 (Attachment 2 to Land Planning and Transportation Committee Report, dated June 27, 2017).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Return

Councillor S. Germain returned to the Chamber at 6:11 p.m.

2. Land Planning and Transportation Committee Recommendation – Bylaw No. 17/018 – Road Closure and Authorization to Transfer (6:11 p.m. – 6:17 p.m.)

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 17/018 opened at 6:11 p.m.

Jamie Doyle, Director, Planning and Development, gave an introduction from Administration, indicating that the road closure and land transfer would facilitate consolidation with adjacent land.

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw 17/018 closed at 6:14 p.m.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 17/018, being a bylaw to close parts of Road Plan 152 3389 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that Bylaw No. 17/018 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that subject to the passing of Bylaw No. 17/018, parts of Road Plan 152 3389 be transferred to Centron Group of Companies for the purpose of a land consolidation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Bylaw No. 17/019 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Lots 11-14, Block 2, Plan 3969ET (Waterways)
(6:18 p.m. – 6:35 p.m.)

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 17/019 opened at 6:18 p.m.

Jamie Doyle, Director, Planning and Development, provided an overview of the proposed Land Use Bylaw amendment to accommodate the rebuild and expansion of the Tabernacle Church of Praise, a Religious Assembly in the Waterways neighbourhood.

It was noted for the record that a written submission had been received from Gee Young, Markettown Convenience Store, opposing the amendment.

Matt Espanoza, Tabernacle of Praise Church, spoke in support to the proposed bylaw amendment.

Gerard Myles, resident, spoke in support of the proposed bylaw amendment.

Jim Rogers, resident, spoke in support of the Church getting the land, and the need for developing a new community centre for Waterways.

J. Paul McLeod, resident, spoke in support of the proposed amendment.

Nisha Bins, resident, read a letter of support for the amendment on behalf of Cheryl Alexander.

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 17/019 closed at 6:33 p.m.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 17/019, being an amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 99/059 specific to Lots 11-14, Block 2, Plan 3969ET, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 17/019 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Bylaw No. 17/020 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – BI – Business Industrial District
(6:36 p.m. – 6:47 p.m.)

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 17/020 opened at 6:36 p.m.

Jamie Doyle, Director, Planning and Development, provided an overview of the proposed Land Use Bylaw text amendment, which would allow indoor commercial recreational facilities as a discretionary use in the Business Industrial District.

Jim Rogers, resident, spoke in support of the proposed bylaw amendment.

J. Paul McLeod, resident, spoke in support of the proposed bylaw amendment.

Mayor M. Blake declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 17/020 closed at 6:45 p.m.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 17/020, being a Land Use Bylaw text amendment specific to the BI - Business Industrial District, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 17/020 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports

5. Overtime during an Extraordinary Event Policy

(6:48 p.m. – 7:11 p.m.)

Terry Hartley, Director, and Jillian Colbert, Compensation Advisor, Human Resources, provided an overview of the proposed policy.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Overtime during an Extraordinary Event Policy, HRM-670, dated August 1, 2017, be approved.

J. Paul McLeod, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Bylaw No. 17/021 – Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Bylaw

(7:12 p.m. – 7:13 p.m.)

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 17/021, being the Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw, be read a first time

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Adjournment

As all scheduled business matters had been concluded, Mayor M. Blake declared the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer