

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo held in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, AB, on Tuesday, February 10, 2009, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** M. Blake, Mayor  
M. Allen, Councillor  
D. Blair, Councillor  
M. Byron, Councillor  
S. Clarkson, Councillor  
L. Flett, Councillor  
S. Germain, Councillor  
P. Meagher, Councillor  
R. Rebus, Councillor  
J. Vyboh, Councillor

**Absent:** G. Janvier, Councillor

**Administration:** R. Burkard, Chief Administrative Officer  
S. Kanzig, Chief Legislative Officer  
D. Elliott, Deputy CAO  
P. King, Acting Deputy CAO  
K. Kloss, Deputy CAO  
J. Callahan, Legislative Officer  
B. Broomfield-Andrews, Recorder/Legislative Assistant  
A. Johnson, Legislative Assistant

**Call to Order**

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**

The Mayor asked everyone to join her in Prayer.

**Agenda**

09-009 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes**

**1. Council Meeting – January 27, 2009**

09-010 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 27, 2009 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Public Hearings**

**2. Public Hearing re: Bylaw No. 09/010 – Closure of an Undeveloped Government Road Allowance (Highway 63 Eco-Industrial Park)**

09-011 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the meeting move into Public Hearing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing commenced at 6:01 p.m.

**A. Opening Statement**

**Dennis Peck, General Manager, Planning and Development**

Mr. Peck advised that this road closure bylaw is a straight forward bylaw to close an undeveloped government road allowance in the Highway 63 Eco-Industrial Park as the road will no longer be required.

**B. Written Presentations**

It was noted that a presentation request had been received from Mr. Bryan Lutes, Wood Buffalo Housing and Development Corporation, on February 4, 2009.

**C. Verbal Presentations**

**Mr. Bryan Lutes, Wood Buffalo Housing and Development Corporation (WBHDC)** came forward and advised that the road closure is basically a housekeeping item. Neither the Municipality nor WBHDC require any use of the road allowance as municipal roads will be built to allow access to the site.

**Mr. Jim Rogers, Waterways resident,** came forward to express his concerns with regard to development along the river bank and the probable risk of flooding that could occur.

**D. Other Verbal Presentations**

There were no other requests to address Council.

**E. Questions of Council**

Mr. Dennis Peck and Mr. Bryan Lutes were in attendance and provided clarification in response to questions from Council with regard to the location of the storm pond, that no development will be occurring on the bank of the river, the size of the road closure, and proposed north-south traffic flow.

**F. Closing Statement**

There was no closing statement.

09-012 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that the Public Hearing be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing concluded at 6:13 p.m.

**Bylaws**

**3. Bylaw No. 09/010 – Closure of Undeveloped Government Road Allowance (Highway 63 Eco-Industrial Park)**

09-013 Moved by Councillor Allen that Bylaw No. 09/010, being a bylaw to close a government road allowance, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09-014 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 09/010 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09-015 Moved by Councillor Clarkson that the subject property be transferred to the Wood Buffalo Housing and Development Corporation once Bylaw No. 09/010 has received third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Bylaw No. 09/011 – Closure of Undeveloped Government Road Allowance (Former Tempo Gas Site)**

Bylaw No. 09/011, being a bylaw of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo to close a government road allowance, was presented to receive first reading.

09-016 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 09/011, being a bylaw to close a government road allowance, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**5. Bylaw No. 09/012 – Closure of an Undeveloped Government Road Allowance (Longboat Landing)**

Bylaw No. 09/012, being a bylaw of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo to close a government road allowance, was presented to receive first reading.

09-017 Moved by Councillor Clarkson that Bylaw No. 09/012, being a bylaw to close a government road allowance, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **New and Unfinished Business**

There was no new or unfinished business.

### **Updates**

#### **Mayor's Update**

Mayor Blake reported on the following:

- Christian Children's Fund of Canada Recognition
- Lower Athabasca Regional Advisory Committee Update
- Mid Sized City Mayors Meeting
- Chinese New Year

#### **Reporting of Councillors on Boards and Committees**

Councillor Clarkson reported on the following:

- Big Spirit Projects Presentation
- AUMA - Building Communities Committee
- Inter-City Forum on Social Policy

Councillor Blair reported on the following:

- Fort Chipewyan Keyano College Division
- Update on Telus Towers for Cell Service in Fort Chipewyan
- Rural Communities Youth Conference at the Sawridge Inn and Conference Centre

Councillor Vyboh reported on the following:

- Fort McMurray Public Library 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Team Trivia

Councillor Germain reported on the following:

- MacDonald Island Park Board Meeting
- Fort McMurray and Sapræ Creek Civic Awards
- Wall of Fame Ribbon Cutting
- Governance Review

Councillor Meagher reported on the following:

- 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School Celebration
- Fort McMurray and Sapræ Creek Civic Awards
- Represented Mayor Blake at the Big Spirit Projects Presentation

Councillor Allen reported on the following:

- Athabasca Watershed Planning Advisory Committee Meeting

**Adjournment**

09-018 Moved by Councillor Blair that the meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer