

**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, AB, on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, 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  
G. Janvier, Councillor  
P. Meagher, Councillor  
R. Rebus, Councillor (via teleconferencing)  
J. Vyboh, Councillor

**Administration:** K. Kloss, Chief Administrative Officer (Interim)  
S. Kanzig, Chief Legislative Officer  
D. Elliott, Chief Operating Officer  
B. Broomfield-Andrews, Legislative Assistant  
A. Wojtkiewicz, Recorder/Legislative Assistant

**Call to Order**

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**

The Mayor asked everyone to join her in Prayer.

**Agenda**

10-096 Moved by Councillor Blair that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes**

**1. Council Meeting – March 23, 2010**

10-097 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 23, 2010 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegations****2. Mr. Art Erickson, Canadian Paraplegic Association (Alberta) re: Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion Event**

Mr. Art Erickson and Miss. Aparma Amand presented background information on the Canadian Paraplegic Association (Alberta) and requested Council's support by attending the "Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion Event" on June 13, 2010 at Dr. Karl.A.Clark Public School.

10-098 Moved by Councillor Allen that the presentation from Mr. Art Erickson regarding the Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion event be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Mr. Jim Foote and Mr. Stephen Boyd re: Land Transfer to Keyano College – Fort Chipewyan**

Mr. Jim Foote, Mr. Stephen Boyd and Mr. Dan Creurer came before of Council with background information on the proposed Fort Chipewyan Keyano College facility. It was noted that the currently existing skateboarding park that is occupying the designated location would be relocated to a different location. Further discussion will be necessary regarding the municipal impact, liability and obligations related to the library. It was requested that Council approve the sale of a parcel of land for the nominal fee of one dollar to Keyano College so that it can proceed with construction of the new Fort Chipewyan Campus and the public access facility that will also house a public library.

10-099 Moved by Councillor Allen that the presentation from Mr. Jim Foote and Mr. Stephen Boyd regarding a land transfer to Keyano College, Fort Chipewyan, be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Business Arising from Delegation****4. Land Transfer to Keyano College – Fort Chipewyan**

10-100 Moved by Councillor Clarkson:

- THAT the parcel of land legally described as Lot 6, Block 2, Plan 2694RS, be transferred to Keyano College for the purpose of constructing a new campus in Fort Chipewyan; and
- THAT Administration be authorized to enter into a contribution agreement with Keyano College to create a partnership on the construction of a joint community and college library as part of the new Keyano College campus development in Fort Chipewyan to provide a much desired community service in Fort Chipewyan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In relation to concerns were raised about the Municipality's potential liability in the future, Administration provided assurance that there will be a contribution agreement in place for that purpose which will ensure that this contribution of the land is the only and final contribution. It was also suggested that Council be provided with an operational progress update of the facility at a later date.

### **Presentations**

#### **5. Mr. Kevin Scoble re: 2010 Recycling Education and Awareness Campaign**

Mr. Kevin Scoble, Director of Environmental Services Department, presented the 2010 Recycling Education Awareness Campaign. The update entailed the fourth quarter of 2009, new initiatives, recycling statistics review, review of planned 2010 program initiatives and the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) Silver Leaf 2009 Award of Merit Overview and Award presentation.

Mayor Blake accepted the IABC replica award on behalf of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo and formally acknowledged of Suncor's Partnership with the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo for the second term of the Recycling Education and Awareness Campaign.

10-101 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the presentation from Mr. Kevin Scoble regarding the 2010 Recycling Education and Awareness Campaign be accepted as information.

### **Exit**

Councilor Byron exited the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

### **Return**

Councilor Byron returned at 7:25 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Reports**

#### **6. Wood Buffalo Detachment Request for Four Additional Police Officers – Premier's Initiative**

Mr. Kirk Hopkins, RCMP Superintendent/Officer in charge and Miss. Cherie Cormier, Senior Manager Contracts and Integration, Strategic Initiatives were in attendance to address Council's concerns and responded to questions on this matter.

10-102 Moved by Councillor Meagher:

- THAT Council approve the request for four additional Police Officers through the Premier's Initiative.

THAT any additional costs not covered through the Premier's Initiative will be covered within the RCMP/Bylaw Services Operating Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7. Request to proceed with a 2010 Municipal Census**

10-103 Moved by Councillor Clarkson that Administration be authorized to conduct a municipal census in 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**8. Centennial Pool - Aquatic Transition**

10-104 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Council approve Administration entering into a interim agreement with the Board of Directors of MacDonald Island Park Corporation to manage and deliver aquatics programming at Centennial Pool until the Aquatic Centre at MacDonald Island Park opens.

**Exit**

Councilor Janvier exited the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

**Return**

Councilor Janvier returned at 7:51 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Centennial pool staff was recognized for their long term efforts and contributions.

**9. 2010 Operating Budget Amendment – Feasibility Studies for Major Capital Budget**

10-105 Moved by Councillor Meagher:

- THAT funding in the amount of \$600,000 be accessed from the Community Services 2010 Operating Budget to fund the feasibility studies for major capital projects proposed during capital project planning for 2011-2016;
- THAT in the event the entire amount cannot be accommodated within the Community Services 2010 Operating Budget, the balance be funded from the 2010 corporate operating surplus; and
- THAT in the event the 2010 corporate operating surplus is insufficient or non-existent, the funds be committed from the 2010 Emerging Issues Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Recess**

A recess occurred from 7:59 p.m. to 8:21 p.m.

**Report and Bylaws - 2010 General Election**

Darlene Soucy, Elections Officer and Audrey Rogers, Senior Legislative Officer, were in attendance and responded to questions related to the 2010 general election.

**10. 2010 General Election: Appointment of Returning Officer**

10-106 Moved by Councillor Allen that Darlene Soucy, Elections Officer, be appointed Returning Officer to conduct the 2010 General Election, and be authorized to divide the local jurisdiction into voting subdivisions and may from time to time alter their boundaries, but may not alter them between the time of the giving of the notice of an election and the election day.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**11. 2010 General Election: Agreements to Conduct Joint Elections**

10-107 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the Returning Officer be authorized to enter into agreements to conduct joint elections with the Fort McMurray Public School District No. 2833, the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education, and the Northland School Division No. 61 for the 2010 General Election.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**12. Bylaw No. 10/005 – 2010 General Election: Nomination Bylaw**

10-108 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that Bylaw No. 10/005, being a bylaw to establish times to receive nominations, locations to receive nominations and to require nomination deposits be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-109 Moved by Councillor Janvier that Bylaw No. 10/005 be read a second time.

CARRIED

For: Allen, Blake, Blair, Clarkson,  
Flett, Germain, Janvier, Meagher,  
Rebus, Vyboh  
Opposed: Cr. Byron

10-110 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 10/005 be considered for third and final reading.

DEFEATED

For: Allen, Blake, Blair, Clarkson,  
Flett, Germain, Janvier, Meagher,  
Rebus, Vyboh  
Opposed: Cr. Byron

As unanimous consent was not reached, third reading of bylaw No.10/005 will be re-scheduled to the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**13. 2010 General Election: Advance Vote Dates**

10-111 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo conduct an Advance Vote on Wednesday, October 6, Friday, October 8, Saturday, October 9 and Wednesday, October 13, 2010, between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., for the 2010 General Election.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-112 Moved by Councillor Clarkson that polling stations for the Advance Vote be situated at the following locations:

- Anzac, Anzac Community Hall;
- Conklin, Nakewin Community Hall;
- Fort Chipewyan, Mamawi Community Hall;
- Fort MacKay, Fort McKay School;
- Fort McMurray, Council Chamber – Jubilee Centre;
- Fort McMurray, Timberlea School;
- Janvier, Municipal Office; and
- Saprae Creek, Vista Ridge.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**14. Bylaw No. 10/006 – 2010 General Election: Voting Hours Bylaw**

10-113 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 10/006, being a bylaw to provide for the opening of voting stations prior to 10:00 a.m., be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-114 Moved by Councillor Clarkson that Bylaw No. 10/006 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-115 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that Bylaw No. 10/006 be considered for third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-116 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 10/006 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**15. 2010 General Election: Institutional Voting Stations**

10-117 Moved by Councillor Janvier that institutional voting stations be established on October 18, 2010, for the 2010 General Election at the following locations:

- Northern Lights Regional Health Centre;
- Continuing Care Unit, Northern Lights Regional Health Centre; and
- Rotary House.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**16. 2010 General Election: Physically Incapacitated Elector at Home**

10-118 Moved by Councillor Allen that, at the request of a physically incapacitated elector, deputy returning officers attend the incapacitated elector's residence for the purpose of taking the elector's vote, by appointment, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 18, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**17. Bylaw No. 10/007 – Automated Voting System Bylaw**

10-119 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 10/007, being the Automated Voting Systems Bylaw, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-120 Moved by Councillor Janvier that Bylaw No. 10/007 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-121 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 10/007 be considered for third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-122 Moved by Councillor Allen that Bylaw No. 10/007 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**18. Bylaw No. 10/008 Repealing of Election Statement Bylaw No. 1992/4**

10-123 Moved by Councillor Allen that Bylaw No. 10/008, being a bylaw to repeal Election Statement Bylaw No. 1992/4, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-124 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that Bylaw No. 10/008 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-125 Moved by Councillor Blair that Bylaw No. 10/008 be considered for third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10-126 Moved by Councillor Vyboh that Bylaw No. 10/008 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**19. 2010 Council Recess between Nomination Day and Election Day**

10-127 Moved by Councillor Janvier that a Recess be held from Nomination Day (September 20, 2010) to Election Day (October 18, 2010).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**New and Unfinished Business**

**20. Notice of Motion re: Addition of Program to 2010 Tax Rate Bylaw (*Councillor Byron*) (tabled from March 9, 2010 meeting)**

This item was not lifted from the table, therefore was not dealt with.

That the following motion, as presented at the March 9, 2010 regular Council meeting, be lifted from the table:

Councillor Byron advised that she did not wish to lift this item from the table at this time, as she wanted to obtain additional information from other municipalities who had implemented similar programs. It was clarified that Councillor Byron would advise when this matter was to be re-scheduled for consideration.

“THAT Administration be directed to investigate a grant program that would permit local business property owners to claim a grant of approximately \$1,000.00 for beautification initiatives, such as outdoor artwork, or creating a “meeting place” for our community.”

**Updates**

**Mayor's Update**

Mayor Blake reported on the following:

- Fort Chipewyan Community Meeting
- Meeting with President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Service Alberta, Lloyd



Snelgrove

- 2010 Swearing In Ceremony for the Board of Directors For the Chamber of Commerce
- Premier Stelmach created the Premier's Council for Economic Strategy
- News conference "safe 63 and 881" program
- Safe Harbour Program
- Mayor s Advisory Council on Youth's Rocking Out for Stepping Stone

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

Councillor Allen reported on the following:

- Northern Lights Health Foundation's annual fundraiser
- Working lunch with the honorable Hector Goudreau Minister of Municipal Affairs

Councillor Meagher reported on the following:

- Community Identification Committee meeting
- United Way Campaign
- Oil Sands Discovery Centre meeting
- Upcoming 14th Annual Soup Kitchen Fundraiser Banquet & Auction

Councillor Clarkson reported on the following:

- AUMA "Building Communities" Committee meeting in Edmonton

Councillor Vyboh reported on the following:

- Northern Lights Health Foundation's annual fundraiser

### **Administrative Update**

- Kelly Kloss, Chief Administrative Officer (Interim), provided an overview of the organizational transformation that is underway within the Municipality.

### **Adjournment**

10-128 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 9:40p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer