

**Approved 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, Alberta, on Tuesday, December 13, 2011, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** M. Blake, Mayor  
M. Allen, Councillor  
D. Blair, Councillor  
L. Flett, Councillor  
D. Kirschner, Councillor  
P. Meagher, Councillor  
D. Scott, Councillor  
J. Stroud, Councillor  
R. Thomas, Councillor  
A. Vinni, Councillor

**Absent:** S. Germain, Councillor

**Administration:** G. Laubenstein, Chief Administrative Officer  
S. Kanzig, Chief Legislative Officer  
L. Kotyk, Legislative Assistant/Recorder

**Call to Order**

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**

Mayor Blake invited those so inclined, to join her in Prayer.

**Agenda**

11-310 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the agenda be amended to add under Reports, Item No. 13-1, Extension of Lower Townsite Area Redevelopment Incentive Program; and

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes**

**1. Council Meeting – November 22, 2011**

11-311 Moved by Councillor Allen that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on November 22, 2011 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegations**

**2. Ms. Julie Bugg, Fort McMurray Potters' Guild re: Proposed Casman Centre Food Services Expansion Project**

**Ms. Julie Bugg, Fort McMurray Potters' Guild** made a presentation regarding the future short-term and long-term location of the Fort McMurray Potters' Guild. The proposed Casman Centre Food Services Expansion Project will require that the Fort McMurray Potters' Guild move from its current location.

11-312 Moved by Councillor Thomas that the presentation made by the Fort McMurray Potters' Guild be accepted as information; and

THAT Administration continue to work with the Fort McMurray Potters' Guild and the Northern Alberta Athletic Association until a mutually satisfactory arrangement is reached.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Mrs. Iris Kirschner, Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council re: Continuing Care Facility**

**Mrs. Iris Kirschner, Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council** made a presentation regarding the Province's change in the future location of a Continuing Care Facility in the urban service area.

11-313 Moved by Councillor Blair that the presentation made by Mrs. Iris Kirschner regarding the Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council regarding the Continuing Care Facility be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Mr. Jim Rogers, resident**, came forward and commented on the 2013 – 2017 Financial Plan.

11-314 Moved by Councillor Allen that the presentation made by Mr. Jim Rogers, resident be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Presentations**

**4. Elsie Hutton, Chief Financial Officer re: 2012 Operating Budget and Financial Plan and 2012 Capital Budget, 2013 – 2017 Financial Plan**

**Ms. Elsie Hutton, Chief Financial Officer and Mr. Victor Mema, Finance Department**, made a presentation regarding the 2012 Operating Budget and Financial Plan and 2012 Capital Budget, 2013 – 2017 Financial Plan.

**Recess**

A break occurred between 7:42 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

### **Business Arising from Presentations**

#### **5. 2012 Operating Budget and Financial Plan**

11-315 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the 2012 Operating Budget in the amount of \$606,359,125 be approved; and

THAT the 2013 – 2014 Financial Plan in the amount of \$607,145,127 and \$610,188,221 respectively, be used as the basis for the development of the respective subsequent budgets.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **6. 2012 Capital Budget, 2013 – 2017 Financial Plan**

11-316 Moved by Councillor Thomas that the 2012 Capital Budget in the amount of \$376,854,951 be approved;

THAT the 2012 Capital Budget funding be approved as follows:

- Financial Reserves - \$262,181,355
- Debenture Financing - \$56,480,800
- Grants - \$33,692,796
- Other - \$24,500,000;

THAT new multiple year projects as set out in Attachment 2 - (2012 Capital Budget – New Multiple Year Projects - Budget by Year dated December 13, 2011) be approved; and

THAT the multiple year projects in progress as set out in Attachment 3 - (2012 Capital Budget – Multiple Year Projects – In Progress dated December 13, 2011) be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Public Hearings and Related Reports**

#### **7. Bylaw No. 11/029 – Closure of Undeveloped Government Road Allowances**

- **Public Hearing**
- **Consideration of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings**

11-317 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Council move into a Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 11/029.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Marcel Ulliac, Director, Land Administration**, provided an introduction and brief overview of the proposed bylaw. Administration spoke in support of the Bylaw.

11-318 Moved by Councillor Thomas that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 11/029 be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 11/029 was held between 8:45 p.m. and 8:54 p.m.

11-319 Moved by Councillor Allen that Bylaw 11/029 being a bylaw to close a government road allowance, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11-320 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 11/029 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## Reports

### **8. Investigation of a Municipal Controlled Corporate Utility Model for Environmental Services**

11-321 Moved by Councillor Thomas that Administration investigate the feasibility of delivering utility services, including water, wastewater, and solid waste through a municipal controlled corporate utility by comparing its advantages and disadvantages to the existing municipal department model, and how the model would meet the requirements of the Municipal Development Plan and the Implementing Sustainability Strategic Plan;

THAT Administration be instructed to work with appropriate municipal staff (including representation from CUPE), provincial/federal authorities and appropriate external stakeholders; and

THAT Administration provide recommendations to Council in the spring of 2012, including a business case for the recommended future Environmental Services' operating model.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **9. Fort Chipewyan Residential Land Strategy**

**Marcel Ulliach, Director, Land Administration** provided a summary of the Fort Chipewyan Residential Land Strategy.

Concern was raised about this initiative being perceived as the Municipality being involved in real estate.

11-322 Moved by Councillor Thomas that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo pursue the acquisition of vacant residential lots in

the Hamlet of Fort Chipewyan in order to create an inventory of lots to be disposed of under a municipal residential lot disposition program; and

THAT Administration examine the feasibility of developing large (partially serviced) single family Hamlet Residential lots on Municipality owned land near “Little Lake” and the abandoned “Yanik Airstrip” land and report back to Council by November 2012.

CARRIED

For: Allen, Blake, Blair, Flett,  
Meagher, Scott, Stroud, Thomas

Opposed: Kirschner, Vinni

**10. Offer to Purchase: Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 2, Plan 616AO**

11-323 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the Municipality purchase Lots 1, 2 and 3 Block 2, Plan 616AO for \$1,975,277 plus GST.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**11. Land Transfer to the Municipality – Hamlet of Fort MacKay**

11-324 Moved by Councillor Thomas that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo accept the offer from Municipal Affairs to transfer six parcels of Crown land located in the Hamlet of Fort McKay to the Municipality for a nominal sum (\$1);

1. Portion of lot 13, McKay Settlement containing 62.72 hectares
2. Lot 12, containing 64.3 hectares
3. McKay Settlement; Lot 5, McKay containing 1.43 hectares
4. Lot 5R, Plan 7621671, containing 0.56 hectare
5. Lot 4, McKay Settlement containing 0.081 hectare
6. Lot 11, McKay Settlement containing 12.3 hectares.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**12. Operation and Maintenance Contribution Agreement – Fort Chipewyan Airport**

11-325 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo enter into an Operation and Maintenance Contribution Agreement for the Fort Chipewyan Airport for the period April, 2011 through March, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**13. Appointments to Council Committees**

11-326 Moved by Councillor Vinni that the following

appointments be approved, effective January 1, 2012:

**Assessment Review Board**

- Janet Doherty and Ijad Dewan to December 31, 2012;
- Elmer McRae and Samuel Odemuyiwa to December 31, 2013;

**Communities In Bloom Committee**

- Jennifer Elliott, Francis Glover, Christa McCartney, Brett O’Neil and Syed Rizvi to December 31, 2013

**Community Identification Committee**

- Jerry Bussieres, Historical Society Representative, to December 31, 2013;
- Tyran Ault and Carol Cleminson to December 31, 2013

**Community Services Advisory Committee**

- Funke Banjoko and Robert Parmenter to December 31, 2013;

**Fort McMurray Airport Authority**

- Trent Obrigewitsch to December 31, 2015;

**Landlord and Tenant Advisory Board**

- Christopher Burrows, Odessa Larmand, Nicole Patey and Kaleigh Young to December 31, 2013;

**Library Board**

- Jonah Lempogo, Cynthia O’Donnell and Ivy Young to December 31, 2014;

**MacDonald Island Park Corporation**

- Nick Sanders and David Tien to December 31, 2012;
- Kristy MacGregor and Tim Wiwchar to December 31, 2014;

**Regional Advisory Committee on Inclusion, Diversity and Equality**

- Kyle Harrietha, Nischa Muchalla and Georgina Waldie to December 31, 2013;

**Subdivision and Development Appeal Board**

- Kevin Hughes and Phil Klug to December 31, 2013;

**Wood Buffalo Housing and Development Corporation**

- Steve Auty and Kim Jenkins to December 31, 2014; and

THAT the term of appointment for Mr. Allan Kallal on the Fort McMurray Airport Authority be extended to December 31, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**13-1. Extension of the Lower Townsite Area Redevelopment Incentive Program**

The following motion was presented by Councillor Meagher: “THAT that the Lower Townsite Area Redevelopment Incentive Program that reduced development charges to forty percent (40%) for new developments, as established by resolution 10-377, be extended to December 31, 2013”.

11-327 Moved by Councillor Vinni that the proposed recommendation be amended by deleting 2013 and inserting 2012.

CARRIED

For: Allen, Blake, Blair, Flett,  
Kirschner, Meagher, Scott, Stroud,  
Thomas, Vinni  
Opposed: Meagher

11-328 Moved by Councillor Meagher that the Lower Townsite Area Redevelopment Incentive Program that reduced development charges to forty percent (40%) for new developments, as established by resolution 10-377, be extended to December 31, 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaws****14. Bylaw No. 11/030 – Roads and Transportation Bylaw Amendment**

11-329 Moved by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 11/030, being an amendment to the Roads and Transportation Bylaw, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11-330 Moved by Councillor Thomas that Bylaw No. 11/030 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11-331 Moved by Councillor Allen that Bylaw No. 11/030 be considered for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11-332 Moved by Councillor Thomas that Bylaw No. 11/030 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Reporting - Boards and Committees**

- Communities in Bloom (Councillor Meagher)
- Governance, Agenda and Priorities Standing Committee (Councillor Vinni)

**Adjournment**

11-333 Moved by Councillor Stroud that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer