

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, November 13, 2018, commencing at 6:00 PM.

Present:

Don Scott, Mayor
Mike Allen, Councillor
Krista Balsom, Councillor
Bruce Inglis, Councillor
Sheila Lalonde, Councillor
Phil Meagher, Councillor
Verna Murphy, Councillor
Jeff Peddle, Councillor
Jane Stroud, Councillor
Claris Voyageur, Councillor

Absent:

Keith McGrath, Councillor

Administration:

Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer
Marc Fortais, Director, Public Works
Caitlin Hanly, Municipal Legal Counsel
Matthew Hough, Director, Engineering
Elsie Hutton, Director, Corporate and Community Services
Lynda McLean, Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations
Linda Ollivier, Director, Financial Services
Anita Hawkins, Legislative Officer

1. Call to Order (at 1:30 p.m. in Boardroom 7)

Mayor D. Scott called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. In-Camera Session

MOTION:

THAT Council close items 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5 to the public pursuant to sections 17 and 24 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

RESULT: CARRIED [7 TO 0]
MOVER: Verna Murphy, Councillor
SECONDER: Jeff Peddle, Councillor
FOR: Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Murphy, Peddle
ABSENT: McGrath
AWAY: Meagher, Stroud, Voyageur

2.1. Policy Options

(in camera pursuant to section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*)

Name	Reason for Attending
Annette Antoniak	Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown	Chief Legislative Officer
Lynda McLean	Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous & Rural Relations
Brad McMurdo	Director, Planning and Development
Philip Schofield	Regional Assessor
Elsie Hutton	Director, Corporate Services
Caitlin Hanly	Municipal Legal Counsel
Dennis Vroom	Strategist, Stakeholder Relations

Arrival

Councillor J. Stroud joined the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

2.2. Annual Boards and Committees Applications Review

(in camera pursuant to section 17 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*)

Name	Reason for Attending
Annette Antoniak	Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown	Chief Legislative Officer
Lynda McLean	Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous & Rural Relations
Sonia Soutter	Legislative Officer/Clerk

Arrival

Councillor Meagher joined the meeting at 2:37 p.m.

2.3. Citizen Recognition Program Nominations

(in camera pursuant to section 17 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*)

Name	Reason for Attending
Annette Antoniak	Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown	Chief Legislative Officer
Lynda McLean	Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous & Rural Relations
Marc Fortais	Director, Public Works & Transit Services
Norma Shaw	Supervisor, Recreation & Culture

2.4. Council Dialogue

(in camera pursuant to section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*)

Name	Reason for Attending
Annette Antoniak	Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown	Chief Legislative Officer
Lynda McLean	Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous & Rural Relations
Linda Ollivier	Director, Financial Services
Caitlin Hanly	Municipal Legal Counsel

2.5. Personnel Matter

(in camera pursuant to section 17 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*)

Name	Reason for Attending
Kari Westhaver	Director, Human Resources
Jade Brown	Chief Legislative Officer

Arrival

Councillor C. Voyageur joined the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Recess

A recess occurred between 5:35 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at which time the meeting was reconvened in public in the Council Chamber.

MOTION:

THAT the meeting reconvene in public

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Phil Meagher, Councillor
SECONDER:	Mike Allen, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

3. **Adoption of Agenda (at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chamber)**

Notice of Motion:

Councillor J. Stroud served notice of her intent to bring forward the following motion for consideration at the November 27, 2018 Council Meeting:

THAT the Mayor be authorized to send a letter to:

- the Federal Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada;
- the Provincial Minister of Service Canada; and
- the Member of Parliament Fort McMurray-Cold Lake;
- with copies to industry partners and service providers,

requesting their support for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) initiative with respect to a national broadband strategy and urging the Federal Government to invest the required funding annually towards this initiative which is a matter of great importance within the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo.

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be amended by adding the following:

- item #7.6 - Support for those affected by the wildfire; and
- item #7.7 - All-weather Road to Fort Chipewyan;

THAT Council waive any requirement to serve notice relative to the proposed additions; and

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeff Peddle, Councillor
SECONDER:	Claris Voyageur, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

4. **Consent Agenda**

MOTION:

THAT the recommendations contained in items 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5 and 4.6 be approved.

4.1. Special Council Meeting - October 16, 2018

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on October 16, 2018 be approved as presented.

4.2. Special Council Meeting - October 20, 2018

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on October 20, 2018 be approved as presented.

4.3. Council Meeting - October 23, 2018

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on October 23, 2018 be approved as presented.

4.4. Organizational Meeting - October 23, 2018

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting held on October 23, 2018 be approved as presented.

4.5. Special Council Meeting - October 24, 2018

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on October 24, 2018 be approved as presented.

4.6. Special Council Meeting - October 30, 2018

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on October 30, 2018 be approved as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Phil Meagher, Councillor
SECONDER:	Mike Allen, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

5. Recognition

5.1. "I am different because..." Campaign/ Regional Advisory Committee on Inclusion, Diversity & Equality

Mayor D. Scott recognized November 16 as the International Day for Tolerance and referenced the "I am different because" campaign, acknowledging members of the Regional Advisory Committee on Inclusion, Diversity and Equality (RACIDE) present in the gallery.

6. Unfinished Business

6.1. Tax Relief Request for Years 2011 - 2016 at 185 Northland Drive, Conklin

Phillip Schofield, Regional Assessor, provided background information on the matter before Council.

Tanis Robillard, property owner and Jeffery O'Donnell, resident, spoke in opposition to the recommendation that this request be denied which is currently before Council for consideration.

Ron Quintal, on behalf of the Rural Coalition, also spoke in opposition to the recommendation that this request be denied.

MOTION:

THAT municipal tax relief for the years 2015-2016 be granted for the property located at 185 Northland Drive.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jane Stroud, Councillor
SECONDER:	Claris Voyageur, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

7. New Business

7.1. Fort McKay Community Association Pavilion

Jamie Doyle, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, spoke to the options available to Council with respect to this matter.

Ron Quintal, President, Fort McKay Métis Community Association, spoke in support of the proposed project.

Jeffrey O'Donnell, on behalf of the Rural Coalition, also spoke in support of the proposed project.

Recess

A recess occurred between 7:25 p.m. and 7:35 p.m.

MOTION:

THAT Administration be directed to work with the Fort McKay Métis Community Association on the proposed Option Three – Ownership by the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo; and

THAT the \$1.8M previously committed to the project by the Fort McKay Métis Community Association be allocated for future operating or capital cost associated with the project.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bruce Inglis, Councillor
SECONDER:	Claris Voyageur, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

7.2. Declaration of Vicious Animal

Deanne Bergey, Senior Manager, RCMP Support and Bylaw Services and Caitlin Hanly, Municipal Legal Counsel, spoke to the report and answered questions from Council.

Kellie Brannan, resident and owner of the animal, addressed Council, requesting that the decision reached by the Chief Bylaw Officer be overturned.

MOTION:

THAT Council confirm the Declaration of Vicious Animal issued by the Chief Bylaw Officer to Ms. Kellie Elizabeth Brannan on August 31, 2018 pursuant to Bylaw No. 02/031.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike Allen, Councillor
SECONDER:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

7.3. Bylaw No. 18/026 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Cannabis Separation Distances

Brad McMurdo, Manager, Planning and Development, provided an overview of the report before Council for consideration. Bylaw No. 18/026 was presented to receive first reading and setting of a public hearing date, therefore only questions of clarification were allowed at this time.

Through questions raised by Council members for clarification, the following procedural matter arose:

Point of Order

Councillor P. Meagher raised a point of order based on the nature of some questions raised (asking if Administration thought it were appropriate that the matter proceed to Public Hearing and inquiring as to whether Administration received feedback related to the proposed bylaw amendment) noting that these were information gathering questions and not clarifying questions.

Mayor D. Scott upheld the point of order as the questions raised were of a more substantive nature than clarification.

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 18/026, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment specific to Cannabis separation distances, be read a first time.

THAT a public hearing for Bylaw No. 18/026 be scheduled to occur on Tuesday, November 27, 2018.

RESULT:	DEFEATED [5 TO 5]
MOVER:	Krista Balsom, Councillor
SECONDER:	Jeff Peddle, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Peddle
AGAINST:	Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

7.4. Strategic Plan Progress Report, Third Quarter, 2018

Kari Westhaver, Director, Human Resources, provided an update on the Strategic Plan and members of the Senior Leadership Team answered questions of Council.

MOTION:

THAT the Strategic Plan Progress Report for the third quarter of 2018 be accepted as information.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jane Stroud, Councillor
SECONDER:	Jeff Peddle, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

7.5. Proposal to Host One of Two Available Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board Meetings in 2021

Marc Fortais, Director, Public Works and Norma Shaw, Supervisor, Recreation & Culture, spoke to the report before Council.

MOTION:

THAT Administration be directed to submit a proposal to host one of two available Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board Meetings in Fort McMurray in 2021.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike Allen, Councillor
SECONDER:	Phil Meagher, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

Recess

A recess occurred between 8:49 p.m. and 8:57 p.m.

Assuming of Chair

Deputy Mayor J. Peddle assumed the Chair at 8:57 p.m.

7.6. Support for those affected by the wildfire**MOTION:**

THAT Administration be directed to work with the Government of Alberta and the Canadian Red Cross to support owners struggling with rebuilds resulting from the 2016 wildfires (including Hillview Condominium owners) and that \$2M from the Emerging Issues Reserve be allocated to support this initiative; and

FURTHER THAT no portion of the municipal funds allocated shall be used for legal fees.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Scott, Mayor
SECONDER:	Claris Voyageur, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

Resuming of Chair:

Mayor D. Scott resumed the Chair at 9:01 p.m.

7.7. All-weather Road to Fort Chipwyan**MOTION:**

THAT the Mayor be authorized to send a letter on behalf of Council to the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta urging that design and subsequent construction of an all-weather road, in place of the current winter road, to the community of Fort Chipewyan commence as soon as possible as it will increase the overall quality of life for residents in the community and region.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bruce Inglis, Councillor
SECONDER:	Claris Voyageur, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	McGrath

8. Councillors' Motions

8.1. Relocation of Conklin Outdoor Rink

It was indicated the motion regarding Relocation of Conklin Outdoor Rink will be considered at the November 27, 2018 Council Meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer