

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, July 9, 2019, commencing at 1:00 PM.

Present:

Don Scott, Mayor
Mike Allen, Councillor
Krista Balsom, Councillor
Sheila Lalonde, Councillor
Keith McGrath, Councillor
Verna Murphy, Councillor
Jeff Peddle, Councillor
Jane Stroud, Councillor
Claris Voyageur, Councillor

Absent:

Bruce Inglis, Councillor
Phil Meagher, Councillor

Administration:

Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer
Jamie Doyle, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Marc Fortais, Director, Public Works
Matthew Hough, Director, Engineering
Elsie Hutton, Director, Corporate and Community Services
Lynda McLean, Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations
Brad McMurdo, Director, Planning and Development
Linda Ollivier, Director, Financial Services
Susan Trylinski, Director, Legal Services
Shauna Sanheim, Legislative Officer

1. Call to Order

Mayor D. Scott called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Notice of Motion:

Councillor V. Murphy served notice of her intent to bring forward the following motion at the Council Meeting on September 10, 2019:

THAT Administration be directed to look at protecting Land Block 84, Lot 104 MR - adjacent to 160 Dickens Drive from future development; and

THAT Administration also be directed to work with the school boards to improve the safety of calming measures and to lessen traffic congestion in the Dickinsfield school zones.

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda, be amended by replacing item 5.1 with new item 5.1 "Bylaw No. 19/020 - 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society Bylaw Amendment and 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society Appointments";

Adding item 5.3 "AUMA Award of Excellence Nominations";

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

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

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

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

3.1. Council Meeting - June 25, 2019

MOTION:

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held on June 25, 2019 be approved as presented.

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

4. Recognition

4.1. **Drowning Prevention Week**

Mayor D. Scott recognized July 21 - 27, 2019 as "Drowning Prevention Week" and acknowledged special guests in the gallery.

Recess

A short recess occurred between 1:07 p.m. to 1:09 p.m. to take photographs with the proclamation recipients.

5. New Business

5.1. **Bylaw No. 19/020 - 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society Bylaw Amendment and 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society Appointments**

Lynda McLean, Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations, and Melissa Blake, Co-Chair of the 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society, provided an overview of the proposed Bylaw Amendment and Host Society Appointments.

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/020, being an amendment to the 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society Bylaw, be read a first time.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/020 be read a second time.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/020 be considered for third and final reading.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/020 be read a third and final time.

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

MOTION:

THAT the following appointments to the 2022 Arctic Winter Games Host Society be approved effective immediately:

Director – Administration – Ashely Ryan
 Director – Marketing & Public Relations – Michelle Toner
 Director – Communications & IT – Greg Tolson
 Director – Care & Comfort – Jean-Marc Guillamot
 Director – Sport-Technical – Kelsey Green
 Director – Sport-Facilities – Erica Brewer
 Director – Culture & Ceremonies – Allison Flett
 Director – Volunteer & Protocol – Michelle Farrow
 Directors-At-Large – Chelsi Ryan and Kimberley Rizzi
 Ex-Officio Council Members – Councillors Sheila Lalonde and Claris Voyageur

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

5.2. Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Above and Beyond Award Nomination

Lynda McLean, Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations, provided an overview of the award nominations.

MOTION:

THAT Council approve submission of a nomination for the 2019 Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Above and Beyond Award. This nomination will focus on the work of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo's Chief Administrative Officer Annette Antoniak and the Financial Services Department for the zero-based budgeting initiative introduced in 2017.

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

5.3. Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) - Award of Excellence Nominations

Lynda McLean, Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations, provided an overview of the nominations.

MOTION:

THAT Councillors Allen, McGrath, Stroud and Voyageur be nominated by Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Council for the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Award of Excellence.

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

6. Unfinished Business

6.1. Bylaw No. 19/019 - Well Drilling Equipment Tax Bylaw

Pecuniary Interest

Councillor K. McGrath declared a pecuniary interest for item 6.1, due to a business relationship, and for item 6.2, due to an employment relationship.

Philip Schofield, Regional Assessor, and Keivan Navidikasmaei, Manager, Assessment, introduced Bylaw No. 19/019 - Well Drilling Equipment Tax Bylaw.

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/019, being the Well Drilling Equipment Tax Bylaw, be read a second time.

RESULT:	CARRIED [8 TO 0]
MOVER:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
SECONDER:	Sheila Lalonde, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Lalonde, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
PECUNIARY INTEREST:	McGrath
ABSENT:	Inglis, Meagher

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/019 be read a third and final time.

RESULT:	CARRIED [8 TO 0]
MOVER:	Jeff Peddle, Councillor
SECONDER:	Jane Stroud, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Lalonde, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
PECUNIARY INTEREST:	McGrath
ABSENT:	Inglis, Meagher

6.2. Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 19/018 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Definition and General Regulations Related to Project Accommodation

Mayor D. Scott declared the Public Hearing open at 1:25 p.m.

Exit and Return

Councillor M. Allen exited the meeting at 1:25 p.m. and returned at 1:27 p.m.

A declaration was made by each individual Council Member in attendance stating for the record that they remain open to persuasion in this matter and come into this hearing with an open mind.

Brad McMurdo, Director, Planning and Development, and Christopher Booth, Manager, Planning and Development, provided an overview of the Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Definition and General Regulations Related to Project Accommodations.

Karim Zariffa, Executive Director, Oil Sands Community Alliance, spoke in support of the overall intent of the bylaw; however, expressed concerns with some the proposed amendments to the definitions and regulations, and suggested more time to work with Administration on the language in the bylaw would be beneficial.

Recess

A brief recess occurred between 2:21 p.m. and 2:44 p.m.

Each Council Member stated that they did not engage in discussions regarding this matter during the recess.

Phillip Gruner, Senior Vice President of Operations, Civeo Corporation, spoke in support of the overall intent of the bylaw; however, expressed concerns with some of the proposed definitions and regulations, and suggested further collaboration with Administration on the language of the bylaw would be ideal.

Gilles Huizinga, President, BILD Wood Buffalo, Chair, Housing Sub-Committee, spoke in support of the bylaw; however, suggested the addition of a specific clause for applicants to provide data to support additional renewals.

Jeff Penney, Lead Business Development, Canadian Natural Resources Ltd, spoke in support of the overall intent of the bylaw; however, voiced concerns with some of the proposed definitions and regulations, and recommended more time to work with Administration.

Shelley LaRose, Senior Manager, Community and Indigenous Relations, Imperial Oil, spoke in support of the bylaw, however, requested clarity on timelines and supports concerns raised by the Oil Sands Community Alliance.

Bryce Kumka, President, Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the bylaw and agreed with the need to retain and attract business.

Mayor D. Scott declared the Public Hearing closed at 3:26 p.m.

6.3. Bylaw No. 19/018 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Definition and General Regulations Related to Project Accommodations

The following motion was presented for consideration by Councillor M. Allen and seconded by Councillor J. Peddle:

THAT Bylaw No. 19/018, being an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw, specific to the definition and general regulations related to project accommodations, be read a second time.

MOTION:

THAT second reading of Bylaw No. 19/018 be deferred until after summer recess.

RESULT:	CARRIED [8 TO 0]
MOVER:	Mike Allen, Councillor
SECONDER:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, Lalonde, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
PECUNIARY INTEREST:	McGrath
ABSENT:	Inglis, Meagher

6.4. Public Hearing - Request to Purchase Land - Plan 8022553, Block 84, Lot 104MR

The request by the Family Christian Centre to purchase Plan 8022553, Block 84, Lot 104MR was withdrawn, the Public Hearing did not proceed.

Adjournment

Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer, acknowledged Elsie Hutton, Director, Corporate and Community Services, who is retiring after 28 years of service with the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer