

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo held in the Council Chamber at the Syncrude Athletic Park Clubhouse in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, commencing at 4:00 PM.

Present:

Don Scott, Mayor
Mike Allen, Councillor
Bruce Inglis, Councillor
Sheila Lalonde, Councillor
Phil Meagher, Councillor
Verna Murphy, Councillor
Jeff Peddle, Councillor
Jane Stroud, Councillor
Claris Voyageur, Councillor (via teleconference)

Absent:

Krista Balsom, Councillor
Keith McGrath, Councillor

Administration:

Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer
Jamie Doyle, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Deanne Bergey, Director, Community Services
Chris Davis, Senior Municipal Legal Counsel
Lynda McLean, Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations
Amanda Haitas, Acting Director, Planning and Development
Linda Ollivier, Director, Financial Services
Keith Smith, Acting Director, Public Works
Darlene Soucy, Legislative Officer

1. Call to Order (at 2:00 p.m.)

Mayor D. Scott called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. In-Camera Session

MOTION:

THAT Council close agenda items 2.1 and 2.2 to the public pursuant to sections 17(1), 19(1), 24(1) and 27 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

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

2.1. Disclosure Harmful to Person Privacy and Confidential Evaluations - Council Committees Applications Review

(in camera pursuant to sections 17(1) and 19(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	Legislative Advice/Clerk
Lynda McLean	Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations
Sonia Soutter	Senior Legislative Officer

2.2 Advice from Officials – Information Briefings

(in camera pursuant to sections 24(1) and 27 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*)

Briefing No. 1 – Land Matter

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

Briefing No. 2 – Legal Matter

Name	Reason for Attending
Annette Antoniak	Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown	Legislative Advice/Clerk
Lynda McLean	Director, Communications, Stakeholder, Indigenous and Rural Relations
Chris Davis	Acting Director, Legal Services

Entrance

Councillor M. Allen entered the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

Briefing No. 3 – Land Matter

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

Briefing No. 4 – Information Briefing

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

Recess

A recess occurred between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 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:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Inglis, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
ABSENT:	Balsom, McGrath

3. Adoption of Agenda (at 4:00 p.m.)

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be amended by removing the following:

- item #7.1 - Parking Enforcement Standards; and

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

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

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on February 11, 2020 be approved as presented.

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

5. Unfinished Business

5.1. **Public Hearing - Bylaw No. 20/002 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Re-designating Former Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 182 1793 from R1M - Mixed Form Single Detached Residential District to R1S - Single Family Small Lot Residential District**

Mayor D. Scott declared the public hearing open at 4:03 p.m.

Amanda Haitas, Acting Director, Planning and Development, Christopher Booth, Manager, Community Development Planning, and Such Chandhiok, Supervisor, Statutory Plans, provided an overview of the proposed re-designation of former Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 182 1793 from R1M - Mixed Form Single Detached Residential District to R1S - Single Family Small Lot Residential District, which Administration supports. It was noted that a re-designation is required for consistency and to clarify what rules would apply to any developments on the lot. It was indicated that several residents have requested that the lot be re-designated to Direct Control, for which Council would be required to determine uses and any specific conditions for development for that property.

Rashid Naser spoke on behalf of the applicant, Mahmoud Naser, and provided an overview of the application to re-designate their land located at 108 Cote Bay and 9102 McPhee Street from R1M to R1S to facilitate future development of the property.

Mayor D. Scott noted that written submissions were received from Audrey Rogers and Nancy George.

Carman Sutton, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed re-designation from R1M to R1S, and indicated that re-designating the lot to Direct Control could alleviate any issues such as flooding on neighbouring properties by imposing conditions to any developments on the property.

Paul Spring, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed re-designation, and suggested that any issues with the lot such as drainage and access could be addressed either through the permitting process or by re-designating the lot to Direct Control.

Audrey Rogers, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment to the Land Use Bylaw, and requested that the lot be re-designated to Direct Control so that conditions could be imposed on any development of the property to deal with issues such as drainage.

Recess and Exit

Councillor C. Voyageur was disconnected from the meeting at 5:10 p.m. A recess occurred from 5:12 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. to allow time to resolve the issue; however, Councillor C. Voyageur was unable to reconnect to the Meeting.

Christopher Booth, Manager, Community Development Planning, noted in closing that there are processes in place to address issues such as drainage and access at the subdivision stage and the development permit stage, including adding a drainage plan as a condition to the permit.

Rashid Naser noted in closing that the public hearing is for the re-designation of the lot from R1M to R1S only and all other issues would be addressed during the subdivision and development permit processes.

Mayor D. Scott declared the public hearing closed at 5:39 p.m.

5.2. Bylaw No. 20/002 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Re-designating Former Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 182 1793 from R1M - Mixed Form Single Detached Residential District to R1S - Single Family Small Lot Residential District

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/002, being a Land Use Bylaw No. 99/059 amendment specific to re-designating former Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1821793 from R1M - Mixed Form Single Detached Residential District to R1S - Single Family Small Lot Residential District, be read a second time.

RESULT:	CARRIED [5 TO 3]
MOVER:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
SECONDER:	Jeff Peddle, Councillor
FOR:	Allen, Inglis, Lalonde, Murphy, Peddle
AGAINST:	Scott, Meagher, Stroud
ABSENT:	Balsom, McGrath, Voyageur

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/002 be read a third and final time.

RESULT:	CARRIED [6 TO 2]
MOVER:	Mike Allen, Councillor
SECONDER:	Bruce Inglis, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Inglis, Lalonde, Murphy, Peddle
AGAINST:	Meagher, Stroud
ABSENT:	Balsom, McGrath, Voyageur

5.3. Bylaw No. 20/005 - Enforcement Officer Bylaw

Deanne Bergey, Director, Community Services, and Aaron Anderson, Supervisor, Bylaw Enforcement, provided an overview of the proposed Enforcement Officer Bylaw and requested that Council consider a minor amendment to section 5 of the Bylaw.

Councillor P. Meagher put forward the following motion for consideration: "THAT Bylaw No. 20/005, being the Enforcement Officer Bylaw, be read a second time."

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/005 be amended in section 5 by deleting "may" and inserting in its place "shall".

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

Voting then occurred on the main motion as amended.

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/005, being the Enforcement Officer Bylaw be read a second time, as amended.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/005 be read a third and final time.

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

6. New Business

6.1. Bylaw No. 20/006 - Clerical Revisions to Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw

Deanne Bergey, Director, Community Services and Aaron Anderson, Supervisor, Bylaw Enforcement, provided an overview of the proposed revision to the Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw No. 19/025. Administration recommended that the Bylaw receive all 3 readings as the revisions are clerical in nature, and do not affect the content of the Bylaw.

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/006, being a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 19/025 Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw, be read a read a first time.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/006 be read a second time.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/006 be considered for third reading.

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

MOTION:

THAT Bylaw No. 20/006 be read a third and final time.

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

6.2. Amendment to Community Identification System (CIS) Policy PRL-040

Amanda Haitas, Acting Director, Planning and Development, and Such Chandhiok, Supervisor, Statutory Plans, provided an overview of the proposed Community

Identification System Policy amendment, which provides a standardized addressing system that considers the unique geography of the Municipality.

Ann Eisentraut, resident, spoke to the proposed rural addressing system in the Policy, noting that an alpha-numeric system may be cumbersome and may not result in sequential numbering along roadways in the rural areas.

MOTION:

THAT Community Identification System Policy LDI-010, as outlined in Attachment 1, dated February 25, 2020, be approved.

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

6.3. Amendment to Elected Officials Compensation, Travel, and Expenses Policy Leg-050

Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer, provided an overview of the proposed amendment to the Elected Officials Compensation, Travel, and Expense Policy, which incorporates Council's resolution from the January 14, 2020 meeting regarding air travel being conducted through the Fort McMurray International Airport.

MOTION:

THAT the amended Elected Officials' Compensation, Travel and Expenses Policy LEG-050 dated February 25, 2020 be approved.

RESULT:	CARRIED [7 TO 1]
MOVER:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
SECONDER:	Sheila Lalonde, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Lalonde, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud
AGAINST:	Inglis
ABSENT:	Balsom, McGrath, Voyageur

6.4. Council Committee Appointments - Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee & Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committees

Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer, provided an overview of the recommended appointments to the Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee and the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee.

MOTION:

THAT the following Committee Appointments be made effectively immediately:

Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee

Curtis Williams to December 31, 2020, and
Joel Trudell to December 31, 2021

Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee

Keith Plowman to December 31, 2021.

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

7. Councillors' Motions**7.1. Parking Enforcement Standards**

This item was removed at the adoption of the agenda.

7.2. Advocacy InitiativeVacating of Chair

Mayor D. Scott vacated the Chair at 6:26 p.m., at which time Deputy Mayor S. Lalonde assumed the Chair.

Mayor D. Scott provided an overview of his motion.

MOTION:

THAT the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo make a formal submission to the Fair Deal Committee to:

- encourage the Provincial Government to attend 2020 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference being held in Toronto Ontario, to engage with, educate and influence municipal leaders across Alberta;
- consider opportunities to adjust taxation incentives and deductions for industry and business to reduce the benefit of employing labour from other provinces;

- encourage the National Research Council to establish a National Centre for Cleaner Fossil Fuels in Fort McMurray with the goal of commercializing technologies that monetize the value of the oilsands while building environmental technology companies; and
- encourage federal and provincial procurement policies to include a 5% Indigenous spending goal to support the continued evolutions of Indigenous enterprises.

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

Resuming of Chair

Mayor D. Scott resumed the Chair at 6:41 p.m.

Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer