

Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee held via electronic communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, commencing at 9:00 AM.

Present:

Bryce Kumka, Business Community
Bilal Abbas, Public-At-Large
Steven Hale, Education Sector
Curtis Williams, Community Development
Ijeoma Uche-Ezeala, Public-At-Large
Justin MacNeil, Arts, Culture and Recreation Sector
David Secord, Business Community
Alex McKenzie, Land Development
Justin Ellis, Public-At-Large
Jennifer Vardy, Public-At-Large
Raj Vasal, Community Development

Administration:

Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Program Management
Brad McMurdo, Director, Planning and Development
Monica Lance, Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management
Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer
Heather Fredeen, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Heather Fredeen, Legislative Services Clerk, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and welcomed new Committee Members Alex McKenzie representing the Land Development Sector, Jennifer Vardy representing the Public –At-Large, Justin Ellis representing the Public –At-Large, and Raj Vascal representing the Community Development sector.

For the benefit of the new members, Committee members and Administration provided round table introductions of themselves and the sectors they represent.

Entrance

Committee member B. Abbas entered the meeting at 9:13 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Justin Ellis
SECONDER: Steven Hale
FOR: Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vasal

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee Meeting - December 1, 2021

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee Meeting held on December 1, 2021, be approved as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Steven Hale
SECONDER: Alex McKenzie
FOR: Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vasal

4. New & Unfinished Business

4.1. Appointment of Committee Chair and Vice-Chair

Committee Member Bryce Kumka put his name forward for the position of Chair. As there were no further nominations, Bryce Kumka was selected as Chair of the Committee by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Bryce Kumka be appointed as Chair of the Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Justin MacNeil
SECONDER: David J.R. Secord
FOR: Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vasal

Committee Member David Secord put his name forward for the position of Vice-Chair. As there were no further nominations, David Secord was selected as Vice-Chair of the Committee by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT David Secord be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bilal Abbas
SECONDER:	Alex McKenzie
FOR:	Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vasal

4.2. 2022 Committee Meeting Schedule

MOTION:

THAT the regular Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee meetings be held at 9:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month with the exception of any statutory holidays and scheduled recess periods.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jennifer Vardy
SECONDER:	Raj Vasal
FOR:	Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vasal

MOTION:

THAT the meeting scheduled for February 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., be rescheduled to February 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bilal Abbas
SECONDER:	Curtis Williams
FOR:	Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vasal

4.3. Committee Annual Progress Report Presentation to Council

Chair Bryce. Kumka provided an overview of the Committee's annual progress presentation to be presented to Council at their January 11, 2022 meeting.

MOTION:

THAT the presentation titled "Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee Introduction and Annual Progress Report" be approved for presenting at the January 11, 2022 Council Meeting.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	David J.R. Secord
SECONDER:	Bilal Abbas, Public-At-Large
FOR:	Williams, Uche-Ezeala, Abbas, Hale, MacNeil, Kumka, Secord, McKenzie, Ellis, Vardy, Vascal

4.4. Update re: Meeting with Associate Minister Red Tape Reduction

Monica Lance, Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management, provided details on the meeting scheduled for January 25, 2022 between the Committee and the Associate Minister, Red Tape Reduction.

With consensus of the Committee, the following members will attend the January 25, 2022 meeting with the Associate Minister, Red Tape Reduction:

- B. Kumka
- B. Abbas
- S. Hale
- A. McKenzie
- D. Secord
- J. Vardy

4.5. Planning and Development Process Review Project Update

Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development and Dennis Vroom, Program Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management, provided an update on the Planning and Development Process Review Project including public survey results and current state findings. The importance of Key Performance Indicators (KPI) for the project was also discussed.

Exits

S. Hale and R. Vascal, exited the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

4.6. Recap of Committee Initiatives to Date

A recap of Committee initiatives was discussed under agenda items 4.3 and 4.5.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Chair