

Unapproved Minutes of a Meeting of the Sustainable Development Committee held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Tuesday, February 02, 2016, commencing at 4:00 p.m.

Present: M. Blake, Mayor
J. Stroud, Councillor (Alternate)

Absent: C. Tatum, Chair
J. Cardinal, Councillor
P. Meagher, Councillor

Administration: J. Brown, Senior Legislative Officer (Acting)
D. Soucy, Legislative Officer

Call to Order

Mayor M. Blake called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of Previous Meeting

2. Minutes from Sustainable Development Committee Meeting - October 28, 2015

As there were no regular members of the Sustainable Development Committee present, the approval of the minutes was deferred to the next Committee meeting.

Delegations

3. Rachel Leahy, ACES - Wood Buffalo (Animal Compassion Education Society) re: Animal Use for the Purpose of Entertainment
(4:04 p.m. – 4:24 p.m.)

Rachel Leahy, ACES – Wood Buffalo, provided a presentation on animal use for the purpose of entertainment requesting that a bylaw be created to prohibit performances where any animal is required to perform tricks, fight or participate in performances for the amusement or entertainment of an audience.

4. Frank Creasey and Grant MacDonald - Fort McMurray Tourism re: Fort McMurray & Wood Buffalo Region Sport Strategic Plan
(4:25 p.m. – 4:41 p.m.)

Frank Creasey, Fort McMurray Tourism and Grant MacDonald, President, GM Event Inc., presented an overview of the Fort McMurray and Wood Buffalo Region Sport Strategic Plan, which is a ten-year, phased approach model to encourage and develop sport participation and sport tourism in the region.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Fort McMurray and Wood Buffalo Region Sport Strategic Plan be referred to Council for consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

New and Unfinished Business

5. Trans Canada Trail (4:42 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.)

Robert Billard, Director, Public Works, provided an overview on the proposed trail linkages to the Trans Canada Trail, noting that the Athabasca River has been designated by the Trans Canada Trail Foundation as the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo's connection to the rest of the trail system.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the following be recommended to Council for approval:

- That Administration work with the Trans Canada Trail Foundation to link the Trans Canada Trail to the trail system in the Regional Municipality;
- That the estimated cost of \$500,000 to be incurred in 2018, to complete the linkage to the Trans Canada Trail, be included by Administration in the 5 year capital plan for consideration by Council; and
- That the Mayor be added to the list of other Mayors throughout Alberta and Canada who are declared "Champions" of the Trans Canada Trail.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Adjournment

As all scheduled business matters had been concluded, Mayor M. Blake declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Chair

Chief Legislative Officer