

**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, February 13, 2018, commencing at 4:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Don Scott, Mayor  
Krista Balsom, Councillor  
Bruce Inglis, Councillor  
Sheila Lalonde, Councillor  
Keith McGrath, Councillor  
Phil Meagher, Councillor  
Verna Murphy, Councillor  
Jeff Peddle, Councillor  
Jane Stroud, Councillor  
Claris Voyageur, Councillor

**Absent:** Mike Allen, Councillor

**Administration:** Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer  
Audrey Rogers, Chief Legislative Officer  
Elsie Hutton, Chief Financial Officer  
Robert Billard, Director, Public Works and Transit  
Carole Bouchard, Director, Community Services  
Jamie Doyle, Director, Planning and Development  
Mazhar Hajhossein, Acting Director, Engineering  
David Leflar, Director, Legal Services  
Darlene Soucy, Legislative Officer

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

**2. In Camera Session**

Council met in camera between 4:30 p.m. and 5:50 p.m.

**Motion to Move In Camera**

THAT the meeting move in camera pursuant to Section 24(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

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

### 2.1. Advice from Officials

(In Camera pursuant to Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.)

#### Entrance

Councillor P. Meagher entered the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

### 2.2. Land Matter

(In Camera pursuant to Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.)

#### **Motion to Reconvene in Public**

THAT the meeting reconvene in public

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

Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer, recognized Carole Bouchard, Director, Community Services for her years of service to the region and offered congratulations on her retirement.

### 3. Adoption of Agenda

#### MOTION:

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Phil Meagher, Claris Voyageur
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Krista Balsom, Councillor
<b>FOR:</b>	Scott, Balsom, Inglis, Lalonde, McGrath, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud, Voyageur
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Allen

### 4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

#### 4.1. Council Meeting - January 23, 2018

#### MOTION:

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

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

#### 4.2. Special Council Meeting - January 30, 2018

#### MOTION:

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

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

### 4.3. Special Council Meeting - February 6, 2018

#### MOTION:

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

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

### 5. Presentations and Delegations

#### 5.1. Sharon Heading, Arts Recovery Working Group, re: Strategic Plan

Sharon Heading and Liana Wheeldon, Arts Recovery Working Group, presented the Strategic Plan for Recovery in the Arts Post Fire and requested a letter of support for the strategic plan.

#### MOTION:

THAT Council authorize the Mayor to send a letter to the Arts Council in support of the Strategic Plan for Recovery in the Arts Post Fire.

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

#### 5.2. Ron Quintal, McKay Metis, re: Affordable Housing and Metis Consultation Policy

Ron Quintal, representing the Athabasca River Metis, spoke to the need for affordable housing in Fort McKay and development of a provincial off settlement Metis consultation policy. Letters of support for both initiatives were requested.

#### Exit and Return

Councillor J Stroud exited the meeting at 6:31 p.m. and returned at 6:40 p.m.

**MOTION:**

THAT Council authorize the Mayor to send a letter to Alberta Indigenous Relations in support of McKay Métis' funding application for off reserve affordable housing for indigenous people, and the need for a Métis consultation policy that mandates companies to consult directly with the impacted Métis communities within the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo.

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

**5.3. Dan Sorenson, Jeff Pardee, Bryan Lutes, Rotary Clubs of Fort McMurray, re: Update on Fire Relief Fund Distribution**

Dan Sorenson, Jeff Pardee, Frank Reitz, Bryan Lutes, Rotary Clubs in Fort McMurray, provided an update on the Fire Relief Fund distribution.

Recess

A brief recess occurred between 6:58 p.m. and 7:07 p.m.

**5.4. Qasim Malik and Joanne Fisher, Wood Buffalo Communities in Bloom, re 2017 Year End Report**

Qasim Malik and Joanne Fisher, members, Wood Buffalo Communities in Bloom Committee, presented an overview of the Committee's 2017 activities, accomplishments and future plans. Mr. Malik and Ms. Fisher then presented Council with the 2017 National 5 Blooms Silver Award for Participation in the International Challenge, with special recognition for Community Involvement.

Recess

A brief recess occurred between 7:20 p.m. and 7:22 p.m.

**5.5. Mazhar Hajhossein, Acting Director, Engineering, re: Flood Mitigation Update**

Mazhar Hajhossein, Acting Director, and Maureen Nakonechny, Project Manager, Engineering Department presented an update on Flood Mitigation.

Exits and Returns

Councillor K. Balsom exited the meeting at 7:22 p.m. and returned at 7:24 p.m.  
 Councillor K. McGrath exited the meeting at 7:59 p.m. and returned at 8:01 p.m.

Bryce Kumka, resident, spoke in support of the proposed flood mitigation strategies.

**6. New Business****6.1. Council Appointment - Inter-City Forum on Social Policy****MOTION:**

Audrey Rogers, Chief Legislative Officer, and Carole Bouchard, Director, Community Services, provided an overview of the Inter-City Forum on Social Policy and its mandate.

**MOTION:**

THAT Krista Balsom be appointed to the Inter-City Forum on Social Policy effective immediately until the next Organizational meeting of Council.

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

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer