

**Approved 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, May 22, 2012, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** M. Blake, Mayor  
D. Blair, Councillor  
L. Flett, Councillor  
S. Germain, Councillor  
D. Kirschner, Councillor  
P. Meagher, Councillor  
J. Stroud, Councillor  
R. Thomas, Councillor  
A. Vinni, Councillor

**Administration:** B. Makey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
A. Rogers, Acting Chief Legislative Officer  
M. Laing, Recorder/Legislative Assistant

**Call To Order**

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**

Mayor Blake asked those so inclined to join her in prayer.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**1. Regular Meeting - May 8, 2012**

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that the minutes from the Council Meeting held on May 8, 2012 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegations**

**2. Michelle Kelly and Jennifer Vincent, Wood Buffalo Communities In Bloom Committee re: Update of Activities for the Communities In Bloom Program**

**M. Kelly and J. Vincent, Wood Buffalo Communities In Bloom Committee**, provided an update regarding new initiatives of the Committee including the Businesses in Bloom Program. It was also announced that the Committee has received the Inaugural WinterLife Award and as a result, the Region will be featured on the cover of Municipal World Magazine's December 2012 issue.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the presentation made by Michelle Kelly and Jennifer Vincent, Wood Buffalo Communities in Bloom Committee, regarding the update of activities for the Communities In Bloom Program, be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Reports**

**3. Adoption of Amended Operating Protocol Principles for Municipal Corporations**

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the attached Regional Municipal of Wood Buffalo Operating Protocol Principles for Municipal Corporations dated May 2012 be adopted by Council to replace the Operating Protocol Principles adopted by Council on June 10, 2008 and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the resolution of the Members of each Municipal Corporation on behalf of the Municipality.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Adoption of Amended Articles of Association for MacDonald Island Park Corporation**

The following motion was presented by Councillor R. Thomas: "That the attached Articles of Association of MacDonald Island Park Corporation, be adopted by Council to replace the Articles of Association of MacDonald Island Park Corporation dated December 3, 2003; and that the Mayor be authorized to sign a Special Resolution of the Members of MacDonald Island Park Corporation on behalf of the Municipality to replace the existing Articles with the amended Articles."

Discussion ensued regarding the wording of some definitions contained within the proposed Articles of Association. As a result, the following amendment was put forward by Councillor Vinni:

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that section 1.3 (n.) of the

Amended Articles of Association for MacDonald Island Park Corporation be amended to read, "Regional Municipality" means the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, as represented by Council, a specialized municipality incorporated under the Municipal Government Act (Alberta);  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that the attached Articles of Association of MacDonald Island Park Corporation, as amended, be adopted by Council to replace the Articles of Association of MacDonald Island Park Corporation dated December 3, 2003; and that the Mayor be authorized to sign a Special Resolution of the Members of MacDonald Island Park Corporation on behalf of the Municipality to replace the existing Articles with the amended Articles.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**5. By-Election 2012: Joint By-Election with the Fort McMurray Public School District**

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Returning Officer be authorized to enter into an agreement to conduct a joint by-election with the Fort McMurray Public School District No. 2833 for the 2012 By-Election.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Reporting - Boards and Committees**

- Leadership Wood Buffalo (Councillor Thomas)
- Janvier Community Meeting (Councillor Stroud)
- Dolly Parton Imagination Library/Community Cleanup Initiatives (Councillor Meagher)
- Provincial Announcement re: Twinning of Highway 63 (Mayor Blake)

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer