

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, March 13, 2012, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

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

Absent: R. Thomas, Councillor

Administration: G. Laubenstein, Chief Administrative Officer
A. Rogers, Acting Chief Legislative Officer
L. Kotyk, Legislative Assistant/Recorder

Call To Order

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Opening Prayer

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

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the agenda be amended to delete item number 7 under the Reports portion of the agenda (2012 Art and Symphony Event); and that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. Regular Meeting - February 14, 2012

Moved by Councillor D. Kirschner that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on February 14, 2012 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Delegations

Andrew Manyevere, Fort McMurray African Canadian Association, came forward to speak to the Allocation of 2012 Community Development Funding report. He requested that Council consider his groups application for funding for their youth enhancement program which also supports the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the presentation made by Mr. Andrew Manyevere be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Hearings and Related Reports

2. Bylaw No. 12/005 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Surmont Creek – Lots 1-7, Block 1, Plan 112 4844

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 12/005, being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment for Lots 1-7, Block 1, Plan 112 4844 (Surmont Creek), be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor M. Allen that Council move into a Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 12/005.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Peter Apostolakos, Planning and Development Department and **Rick Stuckenburg, Planning and Development Department**, provided an introduction and overview of Bylaw No. 12/005, noting that it is supported by Administration.

Jack Tobin, Applicant, provided an opening statement regarding Bylaw No. 12/005, stating that the Bylaw proposes to redesignate Lots 1-7, Block 1, Plan 112 4844 (Surmont Creek) from Rural District (RD) to Business Industrial District (BI). Mr. Tobin noted that the application has been made in consultation with Administration.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Council close the Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 12/005.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The public hearing for Bylaw No. 12/005 was held in between 6:24 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Moved by Councillor M. Allen that Bylaw No. 12/005 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 12/005 be considered for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 12/005 be given third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Bylaw No. 12/004 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Election Sign Provisions

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Council move into a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 12/004.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Darlene Soucy, Elections Officer and **Rene Wells, Director, Bylaw Services**, provided an introduction and background information regarding Bylaw No. 12/004.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Council close the Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 12/004.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The public hearing for Bylaw No. 12/004 was held between 6:36 p.m. and 7:03 p.m.

The following motion was presented by Councillor D. Kirschner: "That Bylaw No. 12/004 be read a second time".

Recess

A recess was held between 7:30 p.m. and 7:46 p.m.

Moved by Councillor S. Germain that sections 8 and 9 be deleted; and that a new section 8 be created that reads, 'each candidate must, prior to placing any election sign, provide the Municipality with the name and contact information of the person responsible for his or her election signs'.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor D. Kirschner that Bylaw No. 12/004, as amended, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 12/004 be given third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaws**4. Bylaw No. 12/006 – Community Services Committee Bylaw**

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 12/006, being the Community Services Committee Bylaw, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports**5. Reserve Bids for Tax Recovery Auction**

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the reserve bids and sale conditions be established as listed in Attachment 1 – Reserve Bids and Sale Conditions for Tax Sale Properties, dated February 03, 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Allocation of 2012 Community Development Funding

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that \$200,000 of 2012 Community Development Funding be allocated as follows:

- Anzac Li'l Lakers Family Resource Centre
- \$18,000
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Association of Wood Buffalo
- \$17,343
- Centre d'accueil et d'établissement du Nord de l'Alberta
- \$9,600
- Fort McMurray Boys & Girls Club
- \$14,400
- Fort McMurray Family Crisis Society
- \$18,000
- Fort McMurray Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corp #2803
Support Society - \$18,000
- Fort McMurray Sunny Smiles Preschool Society
- \$16,000
- Multicultural Association of Fort McMurray
- \$18,000
- Parents Association of the 868 Royal Canadian Air Cadet
Squadron - \$18,000
- Support Through Housing Team Society
- \$18,000
- Wood Buffalo Educare Society
- \$18,000

- Wood Buffalo Senior Support Society
- \$12,872
- YMCA of Fort McMurray
- \$3,785

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Appointment of Municipal Noxious Weed Inspector

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Chief Administrative Officer appoint a Municipal Noxious Weed Inspector in compliance with Alberta's Weed Control Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Appointments to Council Committees

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that:

- Mats van Kleef be appointed to the Communities in Bloom Committee, effective immediately, to December 31, 2012;
- Brenda MacLean be appointed to the Landlord and Tenant Advisory Board, effective immediately, to December 31, 2013;
- Kevin Thornton be appointed to the Library Board, effective April 1, 2012, to December 31, 2012; and
- Mary Thomas be appointed to the Regional Advisory Committee on Inclusion, Diversity and Equality, effective immediately, to December 31, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Request for Leave of Absence

Exit

Councillors M. Allen and D. Scott declared a potential pecuniary interest and exited the Chamber at 8:25 p.m.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that an unpaid leave of absence, inclusive of salary and benefits, be authorized for Councillors Mike Allen and Donald Scott, for the period covering the announcement of the next provincial election, up to and including the date the election is held.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Return

Councillors M. Allen and D. Scott returned to the Chamber at approximately 8:27 p.m.

Reporting - Boards and Committees

- WinterPlay, Communities in Bloom Committee (Councillor P. Meagher)
- City Centre Land Use Bylaw Open House at Future Forward Place
(Councillor D. Kirschner)

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor D. Blair that the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer