

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, January 14, 2014, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: M. Blake, Mayor
T. Ault, Councillor
G. Boutilier, Councillor
L. Bussieres, Councillor
J. Cardinal, Councillor
S. Germain, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor
P. Meagher, Councillor
J. Stroud, Councillor
A. Vinni, Councillor

Absent: J. Chadi, Councillor

Administration: G. Laubenstein, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Kanzig, Chief Legislative Officer
R. Kendall, Legislative Coordinator
J. Wall, Legislative Coordinator

National Anthem

Call To Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Opening Prayer

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

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the agenda be amended by adding Willow Square Seniors' Facility under New and Unfinished Business as item number 7 and that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. Minutes of December 10, 2013

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the Minutes of December 10, 2013 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Special Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2013

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of December 11, 2013 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Hearings and Related Reports

3. Land Use Bylaw Amendment - R5-MU District - Bylaw No. 13/034

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/034 be reopened.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Tom Schwerdtfeger, Supervisor, Development Control, provided an overview of the proposed bylaw. Aerial maps and drawings were provided of the area, as well as details with respect to the distance of the proposed development to the school.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/034 be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/034 was held between 6:13 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 13/034, being an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw, be read a second time.

Discussion ensued and it was suggested that the Land Use Bylaw include minimum setbacks and distances from sensitive areas such as schools.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, T. Ault, L. Bussieres , J. Cardinal, S. Germain, K. McGrath , J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Opposed: G. Boutilier, P. Meagher

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 13/034 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, T. Ault, L. Bussieres , J. Cardinal, S. Germain, K. McGrath , J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Opposed: G. Boutilier, P. Meagher

4. Reserve Bids and Sale Conditions for Tax Sale Properties

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the reserve bids and sale conditions for tax sale properties, dated January 6, 2014 (Attachment 1), be established.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. RCMP Annual Performance Plan – Citizen Survey

Superintendent Bob Couture, Wood Buffalo RCMP, provided an overview of the RCMP Annual Performance Plan. It was indicated that the rationale of the plan is to determine the concerns and needs of the community with respect to policing in the region. Information was solicited through surveys, internal staff, and community sessions.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the RCMP Annual Performance Plan presentation, dated January 14, 2014, be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor L. Bussieres declared that he had a potential pecuniary interest as a result of business interests in the subject area and exited the Chamber at 7:12 p.m.

6. Agreement with Province of Alberta – Land for Road Improvements

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo enter into an agreement with the Province of Alberta to provide for the transfer of certain developable lands from the Province to the Municipality, in exchange for certain road improvements carried out and/or paid for by the Municipality and transfer of direction, control and management of a portion of Highway 69 to the Municipality, all as more particularly described in the "Summary" and "Budget/Financial Implications" sections of this Council Report; and

That the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute on behalf of the Municipality a Master Agreement and such other agreements as may be required, consistent with the content of this Council Report, to give contractual effect to the arrangement with the Province of Alberta described in the "Summary" and "Budget/Financial Implications" sections of this Council Report.

Exit

Councillor G. Boutilier exited the Chamber at 7:40 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Return

Councillor L. Bussieres and G. Boutilier returned to the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

7. New and Unfinished Business

Moved by Councillor L. Bussieres that MLA Don Scott be requested to present a recommendation to the Minister of Health, Minister of Infrastructure and Associate Minister of Seniors, that the \$50 Million committed to a Seniors' facility at the Parsons Creek site be re-allocated to Willow Square.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Reporting - Boards and Committees

- Centre of Hope Fundraisers (Councillor P. Meagher)
- Fort McMurray Sno-Drifters (Councillor A. Vinni)
- Conklin Community Association (Councillor J. Stroud)
- MacDonald Island Park Corporation (Councillor S. Germain)
- Western Canada Summer Games, State of the Region (Mayor M. Blake)

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer