

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, June 24, 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
P. Meagher, Councillor
J. Stroud, Councillor
A. Vinni, Councillor

Absent: J. Chadi, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor

Administration: M. Ulliac, Chief Administrative Officer (Interim)
S. Kanzig, Chief Legislative Officer
D. Soucy, Acting Senior Legislative Officer
A. Hawkins, Legislative Officer
E. Franks, Legislative Coordinator

Call To Order

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

Opening Prayer

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

Adoption of Agenda

Councillor A. Vinni put forward the recommendation that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that the Agenda be amended by re-arranging item #7 Advisory Committee on Aging Bylaw – Bylaw No. 14/021 before item #6 Land Use Bylaw Amendment for Long Term and Urgent Care Facility – A Portion of Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 102 1640 (Parsons Creek) – Bylaw No. 13/041.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the Agenda be adopted as amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. Minutes from Council Meeting - June 10, 2014

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Minutes from the June 10, 2014 Council Meeting be approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Minutes from Special Council Meeting - June 12, 2014

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Minutes from the June 12, 2014 Special Council Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Minutes from Special Council Meeting - June 17, 2014

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the Minutes from the June 17, 2014 Special Council Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Delegations**4. Jack (Torchy) Peden, Carmen Ramstead, Paul Hunt, Historical Society, Clearwater Heritage River Society, Fort McMurray Flying Club, Members of the RMWB Waterfront Advisory Committee re: Council Steering Committee**

Jack (Torchy) Peden, Carmen Ramstead and Paul Hunt expressed their concerns as users of the Snye with the Snye development plans. They suggested that Administration should consider re-zoning the area to Parklands. The group supports the establishment of the Council Steering Committee.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the presentation by Jack (Torchy) Peden, Carmen Ramstead and Paul Hunt be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Dave Hodson, resident, spoke in support of the Advisory Committee on Aging Bylaw.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the presentation by Dave Hodson be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Jim Rogers, resident, spoke to a number of matters currently before Council for consideration, including the Provincial Land Transfer Projects - Interim Financing.

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the presentation by Jim Rogers be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Dave Hodson, resident, came back and referenced historical data related to the original development of the MacDonald Island site.

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that the presentation by Dave Hodson be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Hearings and Related Reports**5. Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 082 0549 Adjacent to Highway 69 – Bylaw No. 14/026**

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 14/026 be opened.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Tom Schwerdtfeger, Supervisor, Planning and Development, provided an opening statement on behalf of Administration which included a brief background on the application for the lands.

Exit and Return

Councillor G. Boutilier left the Chamber at 7:08 p.m. and returned at 7:10 p.m.

Ron Dezman, Preferred Realty Capital Inc, gave an opening statement from the Applicant and provided a brief description of the site plans.

Jim Rogers, resident, came forward to speak in support of the Land Use Bylaw Amendment.

Point of Order

Councillor S. Germain raised a Point of Order relative to the current discussion about taxes and its relevance to the issue of zoning before Council. The Point of Order was upheld.

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 14/026 be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing was held between 7:05 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

RECESS

A break occurred at 7:31 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 7:49 p.m.

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that Bylaw No. 14/026, being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment specific to Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 082 0549, be read a second time.

CARRIED

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

Opposed: P. Meagher

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 14/026 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

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

Opposed: P. Meagher

Bylaws**6. Advisory Committee on Aging Bylaw - Bylaw No. 14/021**

Councillor G. Boutilier put forward the recommendation that Bylaw No. 14/021, being the Advisory Committee on Aging Bylaw, be read a second time.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 14/021 be amended by deleting the existing text from section 4(a) and inserting the following: “Seniors-at-large (2 representatives – 1 each from the rural and urban service areas).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that Bylaw No. 14/021, being the Advisory Committee on Aging Bylaw, be read a second time, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 14/021 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that Councillor L. Bussieres be appointed as Council representative on the Advisory Committee on Aging.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Land Use Bylaw Amendment for Long Term and Urgent Care Facility – A Portion of Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 102 1640 (Parsons Creek) – Bylaw No. 13/041

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that Bylaw No. 13/041 be deferred.

DEFEATED

For: G. Boutilier, L. Bussieres

Opposed: M. Blake, T. Ault, J. Cardinal, S. Germain, P. Meagher, J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 13/041, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment specific to a portion of Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 102 1640 (Parsons Creek), be read a second time.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, T. Ault, L. Bussieres, J.

Cardinal, S. Germain, P. Meagher, J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Opposed: G. Boutilier

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 13/041 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, T. Ault, L. Bussieres, J.

Cardinal, S. Germain, P. Meagher, J. Stroud, A. Vinni

Opposed: G. Boutilier

Councillor A. Vinni put forward a recommendation that the Government of Alberta representatives on the Long Term Care Project schedule a consultation with the Advisory Committee on Aging prior to the development permit being issued.

Point of Order

Councillor G. Boutilier raised a Point of Order relative to the current discussion. Chief Legislative Officer, S. Kanzig explained that the recommendation could be put forward if a 2/3 vote in support was achieved as it was relevant to the topic at hand.

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the motion be considered.

CARRIED

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

Opposed: G. Boutilier

The Point of Order was overruled.

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that the Government of Alberta representatives on the Long Term Care Project schedule a consultation with the Advisory Committee on Aging prior to the development permit being issued.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Procedure Bylaw – Bylaw No. 14/025

Moved by Councillor S. Germain that Bylaw No. 14/025 be referred back to Administration to hold a council workshop to work issues in the bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Public Art Committee Bylaw – Bylaw No. 14/020

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 14/020, being a bylaw to establish the Public Art Committee, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports

10. IAFF Collective Bargaining Ratification

Robert Kirby, Manager and Roseanne Hall, Director of Human Resources, introduced the IAFF Bargaining team as well as members of Administration involved in the ratification process.

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that the Collective Agreement with IAFF Local 2494 for the period January, 2014 - December 31, 2016 be ratified.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Community Investment Program

Carole Bouchard, Director, Community Services and Prince Agyapong, Community Investment Program Officer, spoke in relation to the program, policy and bylaw.

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that the Community Investment Program Policy No. FIN-220, dated June 24, 2014, be approved.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 14/023, being a bylaw to repeal the Fort McMurray Games Legacy Fund Bylaw, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that Bylaw No. 14/023, being a bylaw to repeal the Fort McMurray Games Legacy Reserve Fund Bylaw, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that Bylaw No. 14/023, being a bylaw to repeal the Fort McMurray Games Legacy Reserve Fund Bylaw, be considered for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 14/023, being a bylaw to repeal the Fort McMurray Games Legacy Reserve Fund Bylaw, be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor A. Vinni that Grant Distribution Policy No. FIN-100 be repealed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

A break occurred at 9:09 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 9:25 p.m.

12. Provincial Land Transfer Projects - Interim Financing

Kola Oladimeji, Director of Finance and Emdad Haque, Director of Engineering were in attendance to answer Council's questions.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud:

- that interim capital financing of \$66,250,000 for road improvement projects as part of the Master Agreement with Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Transportation be approved, and
- that the cash flow of Capital Projects for 2014 and 2015 of \$33,500,000 and \$32,750,000, respectively, be approved for interim financing from the Capital Infrastructure Reserve.

Extension of Meeting Time

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that the meeting be extended past 10:00 p.m.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, T. Ault, G. Boutilier, L. Bussieres, J. Cardinal, S. Germain, P. Meagher, J. Stroud

Opposed: A. Vinni

Voting occurred on Councillor J. Stroud's motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. Council Compensation Review Committee Appointments

Moved by Councillor T. Ault that Michelle Bechtel, Todd Hillier, Tracy McKinnon, Alex Middleton, Gene Ouellette, Erin Power and Jody Pratt be appointed to the Council Compensation Review Committee, effective immediately.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

New and Unfinished Business**14. Notice of Motion – Corporate Restructuring**

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that the Notice of Motion regarding Corporate Restructuring be deferred until the final report of the Accountability, Integrity and Transparency Audit is presented to Council.

CARRIED

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

Opposed: P. Meagher

15. Notice of Motion – City Centre Steering Committee

Lengthy discussion ensued with respect to the structure and mandate of the Committee. It was suggested that the name be changed to the Waterfront Steering Committee to reflect a more distinct focus for the Committee. It was requested that Administration prepare a Bylaw for the Committee. Administration requested clarification from Council as to what they want to see happen to current plans for the Snye redevelopment.

Moved by Councillor G. Boutilier that the existing administrative committee known as the Waterfront Advisory Committee be replaced with a Council Committee called the Waterfront Steering Committee to ensure that citizens play a more active role in assisting Council with Policy guidance and direction with respect to future development of the City Centre and waterfront areas.

CARRIED

For: T. Ault, G. Boutilier, L. Bussieres,
J. Cardinal, S. Germain, P. Meagher,
J. Stroud, A. Vinni
Opposed: M. Blake

Reporting - Boards and Committees

Councillor A. Vinni – Golf Tournaments, Army Cadets Regimental Ball, LINC (Language Instruction for newcomers to Canada) course at Keyano College, Alzheimer’s Memory Walk

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor S. Germain that the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer