

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOOD BUFFALO HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES IN FORT McMURRAY, ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2006, COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

MAYOR	M. BLAKE
DEPUTY MAYOR	J. CARBERY
COUNCILLORS	J. CHADI S. CLARKSON L. FLETT S. GERMAIN P. MEAGHER R. REBUS C. SLADE J. VYBOH L. WILTZEN
REGIONAL MANAGER	B. NEWELL
SENIOR LEGISLATIVE OFFICER	S. KANZIG
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR	A. HAWKINS

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PRAYER: The Mayor asked everyone to join her in Prayer.

AGENDA: Resolution # 324/06
MOVED by Councillor Meagher that the agenda be adopted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES: **Council Meeting – September 26, 2006**
Resolution # 325/06
MOVED by Councillor Vyboh that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 26, 2006 be approved as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS: Civic Awards Program – Mr. Stephen Clarke, Manager,

Community Services

Mr. Stephen Clarke, Manager of Community Services, was present to provide Council with information relative to the Municipality's Civic Awards Program.

He gave a brief history of the Program along with a brief description of the various awards, being Distinguished Citizenship, Distinguished Youth, Athletic Achievement, Cultural Achievement, Environmental Achievement and Volunteer Achievement.

The following suggestions were put forward for Administration's consideration:

- Include awards presentations as part of the annual Community Leaders Christmas Reception.
- The current program is a revitalization of a former municipal awards program, therefore, recipients names should be integrated in order to provide a more complete historical picture of the program.
- Increase education, awareness and marketing of the program throughout the communities.

Resolution #326/06

MOVED by Councillor Meagher that the presentation on the Civic Awards Program be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None Scheduled.

COUNCIL UPDATES:

Reporting of Councillors on Boards and Committees

Councillor Germain reported on the following:

- River tour taken and opportunities to develop in the river valley area

Councillor Meagher reported on the following:

- Pink Ribbon Run fundraiser
- Harvest of Hope fundraiser

Councillor Rebus reported on the following:

- Working continually with municipal staff, and thanking them for their time and efforts

Councillor Clarkson reported on the following:

- Meeting with Business Revitalization Zone Association
- Participating in the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers tree planting initiative at Beacon Hill and Good Shepherd Schools

Councillor Flett reported on the following:

- Inquiries received regarding timeline for the traffic signal located at the Fort MacKay turnoff to be operating

Mayor's Update

Mayor Blake reported on the following:

- Thanked Councillors who stepped in for her over the last few weeks
- Primary Care Network
- United Way Campaign
- Banff Leadership Course for High Performance Teams
- Conklin 10th anniversary bench node ribbon cutting
- Recognized Karen Tiedje, organizer of the Pink Ribbon Run event

REPORTS:

2006 Noralta Ice Show Request for Support

Resolution # 327/06

MOVED by Councillor Meagher:

1. That a \$5,500.00 cash grant from the Joint Initiatives Fund be allocated for the Noralta Ice Show.
2. That a Community Development Coordinator be assigned to provide up to 40 hours of support to the Noralta Ice Show Committee as a Municipal Liaison (Approximate Cost: \$1,300.00)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS:

Bylaw No. 06/033 – Debenture Borrowing Bylaw – Keyano Area Access (Clearwater Drive)

Resolution # 328/06

MOVED by Councillor Chadi that Bylaw No. 06/033, being a borrowing bylaw to construct the Keyano Area Access, Clearwater Drive, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution # 329/06

MOVED by Councillor Meagher that Bylaw No. 06/033, being a borrowing bylaw to construct the Keyano Area Access, Clearwater Drive, be read a third and final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

Condition of local bridges

Councillor Vyboh referred to the recent overpass collapse which occurred in Laval, Quebec and to the local Grant McEwan and Steinhauer bridges which were built in 1965 and 1975 respectively, requesting the last inspection reports on these. As this is dealing with Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation, it was noted the matter will be dealt with administratively.

ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution # 330/06

MOVED by Councillor Wiltzen that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF LEGISLATIVE OFFICER