

Minutes of a Special 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 Wednesday, October 24, 2018, commencing at 4:00 PM.

Present:

Don Scott, Mayor
Mike Allen, Councillor
Krista Balsom, Councillor
Keith McGrath, Councillor
Phil Meagher, Councillor
Verna Murphy, Councillor
Jeff Peddle, Councillor
Jane Stroud, Councillor

Absent:

Bruce Inglis, Councillor
Sheila Lalonde, Councillor
Claris Voyageur, Councillor

Administration:

Annette Antoniak, Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Doyle, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer
Marc Fortais, Director, Public Works
Matthew Hough, Director, Engineering
Lynda McLean, Director, Communications and Stakeholder Relations
Brad McMurdo, Director, Planning and Development
Susan Trylinski, Director, Legal Services
Anita Hawkins, Legislative Officer

1. Call to Order

Mayor D. Scott called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

2. Unfinished Business

2.1. Moccasin Flats

Susan Trylinski, Director, Legal Services provided a chronological summary of activities which have occurred to date in relation to Moccasin Flats.

Hereward Longley and Tara Joly presented the main findings of their research on this matter and answered questions of Council.

Exit and Return

Councillor K. McGrath exited the Chamber at 4:34 p.m. and returned at 4:39 p.m.

Gail Gallupe, President, Bill Loutitt, Chief Executive Officer and Corey Hobbs, Government Relations & Communications Manager, McMurray Métis spoke to the process followed in conducting the research which resulted in the report being presented today and answered questions of Council. Through discussion it was noted that the McMurray Métis support a proposed meeting of all parties involved in Moccasin Flats with the Minister of Indigenous Relations for the Government of Alberta.

John Malcolm, Interim Chief for Fort McMurray First Nation and Band Manager for Clearwater River Band, spoke about the Moccasin Flats matter and family history. Mr. Malcom suggested that a meeting of all parties involved should include Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations for the Government of Canada.

James Grant, resident, spoke to the history of Moccasin Flats and how it affected him.

Recess

A recess occurred between 5:40 p.m. and 5:51 p.m.

Vacating and Assuming of Chair

Mayor D. Scott vacated, and Councillor P. Meagher assumed the Chair at 5:52 p.m.

MOTION:

That the Mayor be authorized to send a letter to Minister Feehan requesting that the Minister coordinate a meeting of all parties determined appropriate by the Minister for the purpose of discussing options regarding the matter of Moccasin Flats.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Don Scott, Mayor
SECONDER:	Verna Murphy, Councillor
FOR:	Scott, Allen, Balsom, McGrath, Meagher, Murphy, Peddle, Stroud
ABSENT:	Inglis, Lalonde, Voyageur

Resuming of Chair

Mayor D. Scott resumed the Chair at 5:57 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer