

Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee held via Electronic Communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Thursday, January 20, 2022, commencing at 10:00 AM.

Present:

Gaylene Weidlich, Chair
Erica Brewer, Recreation Representative
Gary Devison, Seniors Representative
Bill Loutitt, Indigenous Representative
Greg MacAulay, Oil and Gas Industry
Liana Wheeldon, Culture (Arts, Culture & Heritage)
Ken Ball, Councillor

Absent:

Cathy Dreier, Fort McMurray Historical Society Representative
Alan Gammon, Land Development Industry
Sean Robertson, Safety and Security Sector
David Stirling, Public-At-Large
Tessa Vesak, Business Community Representative
Loretta Waquan, Councillor

Administration:

Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Program Management
Monica Lance, Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management
Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer
Anita Hawkins, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Anita Hawkins, Clerk, Legislative Services, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Erica Brewer
SECONDER:	Gary Devison
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Loutitt, Devison, Wheeldon, MacAulay
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Special Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting – December 6, 2021

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Special Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting held on December 6, 2021 be approved as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Loutitt
SECONDER:	Greg MacAulay
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Introduction of New Members

Introductions were made starting with new Committee Members and current Committee members, followed with the Committee's administrative support.

4. New and Unfinished Business

4.1. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Gaylene Weidlich self-nominated for the position of Chair and as no further nominations were put forward, Gaylene Weidlich was selected Chair by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Gaylene Weidlich be appointed to the position of Chair.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Liana Wheeldon
SECONDER:	Gary Devison
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Liana Wheeldon self-nominated for the position of Vice-Chair and as no further nominations were put forward, Liana Wheeldon was selected Vice-Chair by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Liana Wheeldon be appointed to the position of Vice-Chair.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Erica Brewer
SECONDER:	Greg MacAulay
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Assuming the Chair

Gaylene Weidlich assumed the Chair at 10:23 a.m.

4.2. Annual Presentation to Council

The Chair explained that the Committee presents to Council on an annual basis and this year's presentation will consist of an update on the Committee's activities.

MOTION:

THAT the Chair of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee be authorized to present the Committee's annual report to Council.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Greg MacAulay
SECONDER:	Bill Loutitt
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

4.3. Cultural Heritage Infrastructure Needs Assessment

Maxwell Harrison, Expedition Management, provided an overview of the Cultural Heritage Infrastructure Needs Assessment project noting that this project will develop a well-supported, data-driven needs assessment for cultural infrastructure in the Municipality. He further explained that this project is focused on collecting input from the communities and prioritizing which cultural infrastructure

The project is currently in its second phase which is the engagement phase. This will consist of collecting information as to what infrastructure is currently available, how is it being utilized and what may be needed in the future.

The Committee members provided input specifically with respect to the waterfront development and addressed questions regarding facility limitations and what would be the top three cultural facilities needed to meet community needs now and in the future.

Administration committed to provide the presenter with flood maps/mitigation plan for the waterfront area.

4.4. Letter of Support - Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee 2022-2026 Recommendations

Monica Lance, Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management, provided highlights of the work the Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Committee has done.

MOTION:

THAT the Chair of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee be authorized to send a letter to the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Council in support of the proposed Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee's 2022 Initiatives.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Devison
SECONDER:	Erica Brewer
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Exit

Committee member L. Wheeldon exited the meeting which resulted in a loss of quorum.

The remaining agenda items will be brought forward at the next Committee meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Chair