



January 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Jubilee Centre Council Chamber
9909 Franklin Avenue, Fort McMurray, AB, T9H 2K4

Present:	Sandy Bowman, Mayor Ken Ball, Councillor (via MS Teams) Funky Banjoko, Councillor Lance Bussieres, Councillor Shafiq Dogar, Councillor Allan Grandison, Councillor Keith McGrath, Councillor (via MS Teams) Jane Stroud, Councillor Stu Wigle, Councillor
Absent:	Kendrick Cardinal, Councillor Loretta Waquan, Councillor
Administration	J. Brown, Chief Legislative Officer H. Hunter, Chief Administrative Officer D. Bergey, Director, Community Services L. Farquharson, Chief Financial Officer K. Hansen, Director, Organizational Support Services A. Haitas, Acting Director, Planning and Development Services K. Smith, Director, Public Works D. Soucy, Legislative Officer

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor S. Bowman called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOVER: A. Grandison

SECONDER: F. Banjoko

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

3. Consent Agenda

MOVER: S. Wigle

SECONDER: A. Grandison

THAT the recommendations contained in items 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 be approved.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, and L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

3.1 Minutes of Council Meeting – December 5, 2023

MOVER: S. Wigle

SECONDER: A. Grandison

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on December 5, 2023, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3.2 Minutes of Special Council Meeting - December 11, 2023

MOVER: S. Wigle

SECONDER: A. Grandison

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on December 11, 2023, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3.3 Bylaw No. 24/001 - Land Use Bylaw No. 99/059 Amendment re: Gateway District

MOVER: S. Wigle

SECONDER: A. Grandison

THAT Bylaw No. 24/001, being a text amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 99/059, specific to Gateway District, be read a first time; and

THAT the required public hearing be scheduled for February 13, 2024.

CARRIED

4. Unfinished Business

4.1 Bylaw No. 23/024 – Committees Bylaw No. 17/024 Amendment re: Wood Buffalo Pro-Business Advisory Committee

Kelly Hansen, Organizational Support Services, provided an overview of the proposed amendment to the Committees Bylaw, which proposes an extension to the mandate of the Wood Buffalo Pro-Business Advisory Committee to December 31, 2025, as well as add three additional members representing the local business community.

MOVER: A. Grandison

SECONDER: S. Wigle

THAT Bylaw No. 23/024, being an amendment to Committees Bylaw No. 17/024 - Appendix M, be read a second time.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

MOVER: J. Stroud

SECONDER: S. Wigle

THAT Bylaw No. 23/024 be read a third and final time.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

MOVER: S. Wigle

SECONDER: F. Banjoko

THAT the appointments, as outlined in attachment 3, be approved effective immediately.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

5. New Business

5.1 Public Art Wood Buffalo 2024 Work Plan

Deanne Bergey, Community Services, and Todd Hillier, Vice-Chair, Public Art Committee, presented an overview of the proposed Public Art Wood Buffalo 2024 Work Plan, noting that the 2024 Work Plan focuses on acquisitions, artists and community, temporary art, and public sites, and that the existing funding under the Public Art Reserve would be used to deliver these programs and projects.

MOVER: A. Grandison

SECONDER: J. Stroud

That the Public Art Wood Buffalo 2024 Work Plan (Attachment 1) be accepted as information.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

5.2 Formalizing the Community Rinks Program

Vacating the Chair

Mayor S. Bowman vacated the Chair at 6:25 p.m., at which to Deputy Mayor S. Wigle assumed the Chair.

Mayor S. Bowman spoke to his motion, noting that creating a policy to formalize the Community Rinks Program would allow implementation of regulations relative to the safe construction of temporary outdoor skating rinks by residents.

Delegations

Kyle McConnell, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation.

Andy Moore, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation.

Resuming the Chair

At 6:59 p.m., following voting on the matter, Mayor S. Bowman resumed the Chair.

MOVER: S. Bowman

SECONDER: F. Banjoko

THAT Administration bring forward a policy that formalizes the Community Rinks Program, that would allow homeowners to construct temporary outdoor skating rinks on or directly adjacent to their property, utilizing municipal lands;

THAT in the interim, Administration work with residents that currently have community rinks constructed on municipal lands to ensure public safety; and

THAT Administration focus enforcement activities regarding community rinks to issues of public safety, disrepair, or property damage until such time that this new policy has been considered by Council.

FOR (8): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (3): K. Cardinal, K. McGrath, L. Waquan

CARRIED (8 to 0)

5.3 Community Investment Program Policy FIN-220 Amendment

Deanne Bergey, Community Services, provided an overview of the proposed amendment to the Community Investment Program Policy, noting that the amendment is to ensure that there are no restrictions on the funding provided to Subsidiary Corporations and Municipal Facility Operators.

MOVER: A. Grandison

SECONDER: J. Stroud

THAT the Community Investment Program Policy FIN – 220 dated January 9, 2024, as outlined in Attachment 1, be approved.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, and L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

5.4 Community Partnerships and Initiatives Funding Allocation

Deanne Bergey, Community Services, provided an overview of the proposed Community Partnerships and Initiatives grant funding allocation for Subsidiary Corporations and Municipal Facility Operators that were impacted by the previous maximum funding restriction in the Community Investment Program Policy.

MOVER: A. Grandison

SECONDER: F. Banjoko

THAT the funds for Subsidiary and Municipal Facility Operating Grants be allocated from the Community Partnerships and Initiatives 2024 Operating Budget as follows:

Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Library Board \$224,917;

Young Men's Christian Association of Edmonton (YMCA of Northern Alberta) \$52,097; and

Fort McMurray Minor Baseball Association (2009) \$33,250.

FOR (9): S. Bowman, K. Ball, F. Banjoko, L. Bussieres, S. Dogar, A. Grandison, K. McGrath, J. Stroud, and S. Wigle

ABSENT (2): K. Cardinal, L. Waquan

CARRIED (9 to 0)

6. Councillors' Motions

The Notice of Motion regarding Elected Officials Compensation, served by Councillor K. Cardinal on November 14, 2023, has been withdrawn in accordance with the provisions of Procedure Bylaw No. 18/020.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Mayor

Chief Legislative Officer