

**Unapproved 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 25, 2013, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** M. Blake, Mayor  
D. Blair, Councillor  
C. Burton, Councillor  
L. Flett, Councillor  
S. Germain, Councillor  
P. Meagher, Councillor (via teleconference)  
J. Stroud, Councillor  
C. Tatum, Councillor  
R. Thomas, Councillor  
A. Vinni, Councillor

**Absent:** D. Kirschner, Councillor

**Administration:** Glen Laubenstein, Chief Administrative Officer  
Surekha Kanzig, Chief Legislative Officer  
Anita Hawkins, Legislative Officer  
Rebecca Kendall, Legislative Coordinator

**Call To Order**

Mayor Blake called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**

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

Mayor Blake on behalf of the Municipality, acknowledged and thanked the volunteers, municipal staff, emergency management, fire department, police department, and countless others for helping with the recent flooding in the area, as well as visits from elected officials.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**1. Minutes of June 11, 2013**

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the minutes from the June 11, 2013 Council meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Public Hearings and Related Reports**

- 2. Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Bylaw No. 13/022  
Diversified Site - DC- Direct Control to C4 - Highway Commercial  
Suncor Card Lock - DC - Direct Control to BI - Business Industrial  
- Public Hearing  
- 2nd and 3rd readings**

Moved by Councillor C. Tatum that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/022 be opened.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Tracey Tester, Planning and Development, gave an overview of the amendment submitted for consideration.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/022 be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing was held between 6:10 p.m. and 6:17 p.m.

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that Bylaw No. 13/022, being a Land Use Bylaw amendment for Lot 24, Block 1, Plan 112 5223 (Diversified bus operations), and Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 132 0966 (Suncor card lock), be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor P. Meagher that Bylaw No. 13/022 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, C. Burton, L. Flett, S. Germain, J. Stroud, C. Tatum, R. Thomas, A. Vinni

Opposed: D. Blair

- 3. Combative Sports Commission Bylaw - Bylaw No. 13/019  
- Non-Statutory Public Hearing  
- 2nd and 3rd readings**

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/019 be opened.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Arlan Delisle, Legal Services, gave an overview of the proposed bylaw for consideration.

Wayne Reynolds, Building Operator, EDON Management, spoke in support of Bylaw No. 13/019 indicating that he was involved in the Canadian Boxing Federation as well as the mixed martial arts in Nova Scotia.

Sandy Bowman, Mixed Martial Arts Association, spoke in favor of the proposed bylaw noting that he has taught mixed martial arts since 1993. Mr. Bowman also indicated that Alberta held approximately 60 mixed martial art events in 2012 and there is a great demand for this sport.

Joel Fingard spoke in support of the proposed bylaw and indicated that he has been involved with the Manitoba Combative Sports Commission for the past 9 years and is currently working with the Saskatchewan Government on legislation.

Dr. S. Fisher spoke in support of the proposed bylaw and indicated that a doctor has to screen athletes before they participate in an event.

Dr. JC Bouwer, spoke in support of the proposed bylaw and gave a brief overview of a doctor's role when testing or treating an athlete.

Christine Unruh, resident, on behalf of Ryan Disher, spoke in support of the proposed bylaw.

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 13/019 be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Public Hearing was held between 6:22 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

### **Recess**

A break occurred at 7:45 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that Bylaw No. 13/019 being the Combative Sports Commission Bylaw be read a second time.

Councillor C. Burton put forward the following recommendations:

Moved by Councillor C. Burton that Bylaw No. 13/019 be amended by removing s. 4(b)(ii) of Schedule A.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor C. Burton that section 7 be amended to read, "...consisting of: one (1) member with law enforcement knowledge and experience, one (1) member with financial knowledge and experience, two (2) members with combative sports knowledge and experience, and three (3) members from the public-at-large.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, D. Blair, C. Burton, L. Flett, S. Germain, P. Meagher, J. Stroud, C. Tatum, R. Thomas

Opposed: A. Vinni

Moved by Councillor C. Burton that section 59(f) be removed.

CARRIED

For: D. Blair, C. Burton, L. Flett, S. Germain, C. Tatum, R. Thomas, A. Vinni

Opposed: M. Blake, P. Meagher, J. Stroud

## Exit

Councillor P. Meagher disconnected from the teleconference at 8:31 p.m. and was absent from the remainder of the Council Meeting.

After debating the matter, Council proceeded with voting on second reading of the bylaw.

Moved by Councillor R. Thomas that Bylaw No. 13/019, being the Combative Sports Commission Bylaw, as amended, be read a second time.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, D. Blair, C. Burton, L. Flett, S. Germain, J. Stroud, C. Tatum, R. Thomas

Opposed: A. Vinni

Moved by Councillor S. Germain that Bylaw No. 13/019 be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, D. Blair, C. Burton, L. Flett, S. Germain, J. Stroud, C. Tatum, R. Thomas

Opposed: A. Vinni

## Bylaws

4. **Conklin Area Structure Plan - Bylaw No. 13/024**  
**- 1st reading (Proposed date for Public Hearing, 2nd and 3rd readings - July 9, 2013)**

Moved by Councillor C. Tatum that Bylaw No. 13/024, being the Conklin Area Structure Plan, be read a first time; and that the required public hearing be held on Tuesday July 9, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Bylaw No. 13/023**  
**Real Martin Drive Cemetery – Portion of NE ½ 14-89-10 W4M**  
**- 1st reading (Proposed date for Public Hearing, 2nd and 3rd readings - July 9, 2013)**

Moved by Councillor J. Stroud that Bylaw No. 13/023, being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment for a portion of NE ½ 14-89-10 W4M, be read a first time; and that the required public hearing be held on Tuesday, July 9, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Reports****6. AUMA/AAMDC Resolution - Creation of a Provincial Combative Sports Commission**

Moved by Councillor C. Tatum that the Resolution entitled Creation of a Provincial Combative Sports Commission be forwarded to the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) and the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) for consideration at the respective 2013 Fall Conventions; and that the Mayor send a letter to the MLAs for the Fort McMurray-Conklin and Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo ridings, asking for their support of the resolution.

CARRIED

For: M. Blake, D. Blair, C. Burton, L. Flett, S. Germain, J. Stroud, C. Tatum, R. Thomas

Opposed: A. Vinni

Councillor S. Germain indicated that in the background of the report it indicated that the Province of British Columbia does not have legislation which should be changed since it was indicated this evening that legislation has now been implemented.

**Reporting - Boards and Committees**

- Shell Place Expansion Project – MacDonald Island Park (Councillor S. Germain)
- Treaty Day – Fort Chipewyan (Councillor D. Blair)
- Annual Suncor Community Leaders' Reception (Councillor C. Tatum)
- First Conklin Graduation (Councillor J. Stroud)
- Wood Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame Inductee Dinner, Rotary Integrity Awards, Opening of Shell Place in 2015 - MacDonald Island Park (Mayor M. Blake)

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor D. Blair that the meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Legislative Officer