

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, MARCH 22, 2005, COMMENCING AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	MAYOR	M. BLAKE
	DEPUTY MAYOR	C. SLADE
	COUNCILLORS	J. CHADI S. CLARKSON L. FLETT S. GERMAIN P. MEAGHER R. REBUS J. VYBOH L. WILTZEN
	ACTING REGIONAL MANAGER	B. FEDORAK
	CHIEF LEGISLATIVE OFFICER	K. GREIG
	LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR	A. ROGERS
ABSENT:	COUNCILLOR	J. CARBERY

CALL TO ORDER

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

1. PRAYER

The Mayor asked everybody to join her in the Prayer.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Mayor asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda.

MOVED by Councillor Meagher that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. MS. APRIL SMITH, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR, REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOOD BUFFALO RE: WORKPLACE CHOOSEWELL CHALLENGE
05/068

Ms. Smith came forward and provided an overview of the Community Choosewell Challenge initiative, which was designed by the Provincial Government to help make Alberta a healthier place to live. Over 2,000 people participated in the Challenge, which was supported by both the Municipality and its employees. Ms. Smith noted that this is the first initiative of this magnitude in terms of health and wellness and the Municipality should be very proud of winning the over 100 category for participation. She then called upon Mayor Blake to come forward and accept the award, and recommended that it be displayed at the Fire Department in recognition of their overwhelming efforts to make the Challenge a success.

Mayor Blake accepted the award and then presented it to Deputy Chief Kim Howell for display at Hawkins Fire Hall.

MOVED by Councillor Vyboh that the Workplace Choosewell Challenge presentation be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A. REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 08, 2005

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 08, 2005 were submitted for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Chadi that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 08, 2005 be approved as presented.

It was noted that the attendance reflected Councillor Wiltzen as being in attendance and absent. It was requested that the Minutes be corrected to reflect Councillor Wiltzen as being absent from the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4-B. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

There was no business arising out of the Minutes.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

6. UPDATES

A. REPORTING OF COUNCILLORS ON VARIOUS BOARDS/COMMITTEES (COUNCILLORS REBUS, CHADI, CLARKSON & GERMAIN)

Councillor Rebus reported on the following:

- Community Services Standing Committee
- Planning & Development Standing Committee
- Campground Residency Open House
- Public Works & Transportation Standing Committee
- Meeting to discuss Municipal Emergency Preparedness Plan for Ward 3

Councillor Chadi reported on the following:

- Commended efforts of Fort Chipewyan Volunteer Fire Department with regard to recent collapse of the Archie Simpson Arena Roof
- MacDonald Island Park Corporation Board Meeting
- Public Works & Transportation Standing Committee
- Audit/Budget Standing Committee
- Muffaloose Trail Bike Ride
- Recent passing of NADC Executive Director, Tom Baldwin

Councillor Clarkson reported on the following:

- Morning Line Appearance to discuss vacancies on Boards/Committees
- Open House re: Campground Residency
- Snow Clearing Policy Open House
- Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting
- Mobile MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) Presentation
- YMCA Youth Connections and Immigrant Settlement Services Open House
- Protective Services Standing Committee
- Business Revitalization Zone Luncheon and Business Watch Meeting
- Information Session re: 2005 Masters Games
- Community Services Standing Committee
- 2004 Arctic Winter Games Legacy

Councillor Germain reported on the following:

- Commended Mayor Blake on her holistic approach to working with the Province to secure funding on behalf of the Municipality, education and health care facilities in the region.
- Recreation is being made a priority for the region and residents were encouraged to be patient, as it will take time to develop the much-needed facilities.

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6-B. MAYOR'S UPDATE

Mayor Blake reported on the following

- CAANA (Commuter Air Access Network of Alberta) Workshop in Edmonton
- Participation on AUMA's Community Infrastructure Committee
- Convocation of Harvey Marchand Class of 2004
- Visit to Fort Chipewyan following arena roof collapse to gauge community reaction and meet with residents
- Participation in Edmonton Journal Editorial Board Review
- Meeting with Regional Issues Working Group, MLA, and Minister of Energy
- Meeting with Deputy Minister Wilson, Alberta Seniors and Community Support
- Municipal contribution to education scholarship fund established in honour of the late Tom Baldwin, Executive Director, NADC

7. REPORTS

**7-A. AGENDA BILL # 05-042 - DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION – SUNCOR
CARDLOCK DEVELOPMENT – LOT 1, PLAN 012 0302
05/069**

Reference was made to Agenda Bill # 05-042, being Report No. PD-023-2005, dated February 28, 2005, and prepared by Stephen Clarke, Planning & Development, regarding the Development Permit Application – Suncor Cardlock Development – Lot 1, Plan 012 0302.

MOVED by Councillor Meagher that Development Permit Application 2004-0752 be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Attachment 2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7-B. AGENDA BILL # 05-043 - HAXTON CENTRE FLOORING REPLACEMENT
05/070**

Reference was made to Agenda Bill # 05-043, being Report No. FM05-04, dated February 16, 2005, and prepared by Wesley Holodniuk, Operations & Maintenance, regarding the Haxton Centre Flooring Replacement.

MOVED by Councillor Vyboh:

1. THAT Administration be authorized to replace the tile with 10 mm thick rubber skate flooring, including a 100 mm high rubber base; and
2. THAT the Haxton Centre Flooring project, in the amount of \$60,000, plus GST, be funded within the 2005 Operations & Maintenance Budget. If Operations & Maintenance cannot

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absorb the entire amount, corporate operating surpluses will be used to cover the shortfall; and

3. THAT if corporate operating surpluses do not occur, or are insufficient to cover the cost for this project, the Emerging Issues Reserve be committed to cover the funding shortfall requirements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7-C. AGENDA BILL # 05-044 - JUBILEE CENTRE HEATING & VENTILATION PLANT UPGRADE
05/071

Reference was made to Agenda Bill # 05-044, being Report No. ED05-02, dated March 8, 2005, and prepared by Darrell Shymoniak, Operations & Maintenance, regarding the Jubilee Centre Heating & Ventilation Plant Upgrade.

MOVED by Councillor Chadi:

1. THAT the 2006 portion of the Jubilee Centre Heating and Ventilation Plant Upgrade capital project be brought forward to 2005; and
2. THAT the \$480,000 identified in the 2006 Capital Infrastructure Reserve for the Jubilee Centre Heating and Ventilation Plant Upgrade be released in 2005.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7-D. AGENDA BILL # 05-045 - COUNCIL COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT INITIATIVE
05/072

Reference was made to Agenda Bill # 05-045, dated March 17, 2005, and prepared by Carole Bouchard, Community Services, regarding the Council Community Enhancement Initiative.

MOVED by Councillor Rebus:

1. THAT Administration be directed to proceed with the creation of the Council Community Enhancement Initiative, which will provide a maximum of \$100,000.00 to approved projects in each of the following communities: Anzac, Conklin, Draper, Fort Chipewyan, Fort MacKay, Gregoire Lake Estates, Janvier and Sapræe Creek; and
2. THAT the Terms of Reference for the Council Community Enhancement Initiative be approved; and
3. THAT a communication plan be developed and implemented for the Council Community Enhancement Initiative; and

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4. THAT \$800,000.00 be allocated from the Emerging Issues Reserve for the Council Community Enhancement Initiative.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7-E. AGENDA BILL # 05-046 - REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOOD BUFFALO 10TH ANNIVERSARY
05/073

Reference was made to Agenda Bill # 05-046, dated March 15, 2005, and prepared by Carole Bouchard, Community Services, regarding the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo 10th Anniversary

MOVED by Councillor Meagher:

1. THAT Administration be directed to proceed with plans to commemorate the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo's 10th Anniversary of Amalgamation through the development of seven "rest areas" and a municipal time capsule, at a total cost of \$95,169, to be funded from the 2005 Community Services Operating Budget; and
2. THAT in the event the 2005 Community Services Operating Budget cannot accommodate the entire \$95,169 cost impact, the balance be funded from the 2005 Corporate Operating Budget; and
3. THAT in the event that the 2005 Corporate Operating Budget is unable to fund this amount, the Emerging Issues Reserve be committed to cover the funding shortfall.

It was suggested that consultation take place with the Communities In Bloom Committee with respect to the possible location of the rest area in Fort McMurray. Ms. Anna Royer came forward and clarified that the various rest stop locations are still under consideration, and consultation will take place before a final decision is made. She also explained that planters will be situated at the end of each bench and the logo will be placed there, along with a commemorative plaque.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. BYLAWS

None Scheduled.

9. NOTICE OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion.

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10. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10-A. AGENDA BILL # 05-047 – APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMITTEES
05/074

Reference was made to Agenda Bill # 05-047, dated March 16, 2005, and prepared by the Selection Committee, regarding Appointments to Boards & Committees.

MOVED by Councillor Chadi that the following appointments to Boards & Committees be approved:

- Assessment Review Board – Sonny Grewal and Larry Loveng (Urban Regular Members), commencing immediately & terminating December 31, 2005;
- Communities In Bloom Committee – Cathy Baker-Morrell (youth/education), Tracey Carnochan (public-at-large), and Megan McKenny (public-at-large), commencing April 1, 2005 & terminating December 31, 2007;
- Fort McMurray Regional Airport Commission – Nick DeHoog (chairperson), Frances Jean (Fort McMurray Chamber of Commerce representative), and Peter Marshall, commencing April 1, 2005 & terminating March 31, 2008;
- Subdivision & Development Appeal Board – John McPherson (Alternate Member), effective immediately & terminating December 31, 2007;
- Wood Buffalo Housing & Development Corporation – Pastor Lindsay Taylor, commencing April 1, 2005 & terminating March 31, 2008.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Meagher that the meeting adjourn at 6:48 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MAYOR

CHIEF LEGISLATIVE OFFICER