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Minutes of a meeting of
the Capital Region Board
held at Chateau Louis, Grand Ballroom
on Thursday, October 6, 2011

Delegates in Attendance:

Mr. Jim Edwards – Interim Chair
Mayor Camille Berube – Beaumont
Mayor Randy Boyd – Bon Accord
Mayor Karl Hauch – Bruderheim
Mayor Anita Fisher – Devon
Mayor Stephen Mandel – Edmonton
Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan
Councillor Doug Horner – Gibbons
Reeve Wayne Woldanski – Lamont County
Mayor Greg Krischke – Leduc
Mayor John Whaley – Leduc County
Mayor Lloyd Bertschi – Morinville
Mayor Rodney Shaigec – Parkland County
Mayor Mel Smith – Redwater
Alderman Jeff Acker – Spruce Grove
Mayor Nolan Crouse – St. Albert
Councillor Dwight Ganske – Stony Plain
Mayor Linda Osinchuk – Strathcona County
Mayor Donald Rigney – Sturgeon County
Mayor Barry Rasch – Thorsby
Mayor Bill Purdy – Wabamun
Mayor Dawson Kohl - Warburg

Absent:

Mayor Don Faulkner – Calmar
Councillor Gail Hrehorets – Lamont
Mayor Albert St. Jean – Legal
Ivan Moore – Government of Alberta

CRB Staff:

Jim Simpson, Acting Chief Officer
Sharon Shuya, Project Manager
Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager
Charlene Chauvette, Office Manager
Shari LaPerle, Assistant Project Manager
Courtney Andrews, Executive Assistant
Roxy DeLang, Administrative Assistant

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This meeting was open to the public except for agenda items 8 – 10, which were held in-camera.

1. **Call to Order and Chair's opening remarks**
   Called to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes of September 8, 2011**
   It was noted that the September 8, 2011 meeting was called to order at 9:01a.m.

   Motion: To accept the minutes of September 8, 2011, as amended.

   Moved by Mayor Osinchuk. **Seconded by** Mayor Boyd.
   Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Representations from the Public**

   a. Port Alberta
   Ms. Wendy Cooper, President and CEO from Port Alberta gave a presentation providing an overview of the vision, mission and key initiatives for Port Alberta. Ms. Cooper highlighted the importance of the Capital Region's global competitiveness and the need to continue communications with CRB municipalities to build on Alberta's prosperity, accessibility and stability.

   Some members raised concern over the purpose and funding for Port Alberta in the future and the need for additional communication between CRB municipalities and Port Alberta to ensure ongoing collaboration for the benefit of the Region. A copy of the Greater Kansas City Region, OneKC, Declaration of Interdependence was provided to members.

4. **REF Applications**
   None.

5. **Governance Issues**

   a. 2011 Unallocated Funds
   Mayor Berube provided an overview of the recommendation regarding the request to transfer funds from the unallocated funds for projects in 2011.

   It was requested that details be included and provided at the next Board meeting for costs associated with other consulting, footnote L, as part of the $198,956 requested for transfer from the unallocated funds.

   Notice of Motion: That the Capital Region Board approves the transfer of $198,956 from unallocated project funds to the various 2011 Committee/Board projects.

   Placed on the floor by Mayor Berube.

6. Land Use Issues

a. Parkland County – Priority Growth Area Re-designation (Presentation)
Ms. Christine Kortmeyer, Planning Officer, Planning and Development from Parkland County gave a presentation providing an overview of the request of Parkland County to amend the Capital Region Land Use Plan to re-designate an area of land from a Priority Growth Area (PGA) to a Cluster Country Residential Area (CCRA) within the County's Big Lake Area Structure Plan. Ms. Kortmeyer emphasized the existing development pattern of the Area and the rationale for the consideration to re-designate the land to a CCRA from a PGA. A copy of the Parkland County presentation, existing CRB map for the Area, and a revised map of the Area was provided to members.

> **Notice of Motion:** That the Capital Region Board receives the request by Parkland County as information and that the proposed amendment to the Capital Region Growth Plan be referred to CRB Administration and the Land Use Committee in accordance with the Land Use Plan, Section 3.4 Capital Region Land Use Plan Amendment Process.
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> **Placed on the floor by** Mayor Fisher.

b. North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) – *Letter of Support*
Mayor Fisher provided an overview of the discussion of the Land Use Committee regarding the recommendation to send a letter of support to the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) for the development of an Integrated Watershed Management Plan (IWMP). A draft letter was provided to members prior to the meeting.

Some members raised concern with regards to sending a letter of support for a development proposed by the NSWA that may convey a message from the CRB of endorsement for a plan that may have an impact on CRB member municipalities in the future.

> **Motion:** That the Capital Region Board send a letter that supports the development of an Integrated Water Management Plan by the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance as proposed in the January 2011 Discussion Paper for the Development of an Integrated Watershed Management Plan for the North Saskatchewan River Watershed. As well, direct CRB Administration to work with the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) to establish a working group, referenced in Action 5.1.1 of the Discussion Paper, to assess issues of planning and integration between the Integrated Watershed Management Plan and the Capital Region Growth Plan.
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> **Moved by** Mayor Fisher.

After some discussion, Mayor Osinchuk put forward an amendment to the Motion.

> **Motion to be amended to remove:** "Send a letter that support the development of an Integrated Water Management Plan by the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance as proposed in the January 2011 Discussion Paper of the Development of an Integrated Watershed Management Plan for the North Saskatchewan River Watershed. As well,".

Moved by Mayor Osinchuk. **Seconded by** Councillor Ganske.
23 in favour, 1 opposed, and supported by municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population.
Amendment carried.

Amended Motion: That the Capital Region direct CRB Administration to work with the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) to establish a working group, referenced in Action 5.1.1 of the Discussion Paper, to assess issues of planning and integration between the Integrated Watershed Management Plan and the Capital Region Growth Plan.

Moved by Mayor Fisher. **Seconded by** Mayor Katchur.
23 in favour, 1 opposed, and supported by municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population.
Amended Motion carried.

7. Others Issues

a. City of Edmonton – Pipeline Linkages
Mayor Mandel provided a brief overview of the recommendation put forward by the City of Edmonton regarding pipeline linkages.

It was requested that a friendly amendment to the motion be made to include the words "Oil Industry" for further clarification to the motion.

Amended Motion: That the Capital Region Board form a strategy committee to support and lobby for pipeline linkages to Canada's west coast, enabling the enhanced and more globally oriented expansion of Canada's Oil Sands and Oil Industry.

Moved by Mayor Mandel. **Seconded by** Mayor Krischke.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Osinchuk put forward a subsequent motion for the formation of the Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee.

Motion: That the composition of the Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee be comprised of 3 cities, 2 counties, 2 towns, and 2 villages.

Moved by Mayor Osinchuk. **Seconded by** Mayor Rigney.

Members discussed the next steps and procedure going forward for the Committee. Members agreed that the City of Edmonton – Pipeline Linkages recommendation be referred to the Advocacy Committee and Governance Committee for review and that a report be brought back to the Board regarding the structure of the Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee.

Mayor Osinchuk withdrew her Motion.

It was suggested that any CRB municipalities interested in sitting on the Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee should submit a request or contact the Chair of the Advocacy or Governance Committee.

In Camera

8. Committee of the Whole

a. Committee Reports

i. Land Use Committee
A copy of the October 6, 2011 Report (#30) was provided to members prior to the meeting.
Mayor Fisher gave an overview of the recent work of the Land Use Committee.

ii. Transit Committee
A copy of the October 6, 2011 Report (#12) was provided to members.
Councillor Iveson gave an overview of the recent activities and future work projects planned for the Transit Committee. Councillor Iveson advised members that there will be a letter sent out to CRB municipalities asking for any updates, if any, to the GreenTRIP priorities.

iii. Housing Committee
A copy of the October 6, 2011 Report (#11) was provided to members.
Councillor Gibbons provided a brief overview of the recent work of the Housing Committee and advised that the October 20, 2011 Housing Committee meeting is cancelled.

1. Housing Symposium – update
A copy of the Capital Region Housing Symposium Media Advisory was provided to members.
Sharon Shuya reminded members to register for the Capital Region Housing Symposium on October 13, 2011 and advised that an alert will go to the Media on October 7th and on October 12th.

iv. Governance Committee
A copy of the October 6, 2011 Report (#24) was provided to members prior to the meeting.
Mayor Berube gave an overview of the recent work and future work plans for the Governance Committee.

1. MDP Status Report – update
Jim Simpson provided an overview and update on the discussion regarding the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) Status Report, highlighting the current requirements in the CRB Land Use Plan for CRB municipalities to submit an Amended MDP application. It was requested that a column be

added to the current MDP Status Report to indicate MDP amendment applications that are in progress for review.

9. Administrative Issues

a. Monthly Financial Report – September 2011
A copy of the September 2011 financial report was provided to members prior to the meeting.

b. 2012 Board Meeting Dates
The 2012 Board meeting dates were provided to members prior to the meeting.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.