



Minutes of a meeting of
the Capital Region Board
held at Chateau Louis, Grand Ballroom
on Thursday, April 12, 2012

Delegates in Attendance:

Mayor Nolan Crouse – Chair

Mayor Camille Berube – Beaumont

Mayor Randy Boyd – Bon Accord

Mayor Karl Hauch – Bruderheim

Mayor Anita Fisher – Devon

Councillor Ed Gibbons – Edmonton

Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan

Mayor William H. Nimmo – Gibbons

Reeve Wayne Woldanski – Lamont County

Mayor Bill Skinner – Town of Lamont

Alderman Dominic Mishio – City of Leduc

Mayor John Whaley – Leduc County

Mayor Lisa Magera – Legal

Mayor Lloyd Bertschi – Morinville

Deputy Mayor Denise Locher – Parkland County

Mayor Mel Smith – Redwater

Alderman Jeff Acker – Spruce Grove

Councillor Dwight Ganske – Stony Plain

Mayor Linda Osinchuk – Strathcona County

Mayor Donald Rigney – Sturgeon County

Mayor Barry Rasch – Thorsby

Councillor Bill Purdy – Wabamun

Mayor Dawson Kohl - Warburg

Ivan Moore – Government of Alberta

Absent:

Mayor Don Faulkner – Town of Calmar

CRB Staff:

Kathleen LeClair, Chief Officer

Sharon Shuya, Project Manager

Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager

Charlene Chauvette, Office Manager

Kim Wieringa, Project Manager

Brendan Pinches, Associate Project Manager

Courtney Andrews, Executive Assistant



This meeting was open to the public except for agenda items 6 – 8, which were held in-camera.

1. Call to Order and Chair's opening remarks

Called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Scott Tannas, PC Party Senate Candidate addressed the Board and reminded the Board of the Senate election on April 23, 2012, the same date at the provincial election. The Chair provided some introductory remarks as the incoming Chair of the Capital Region Board. The Chair informed the Board that CRB's Chief Officer will be rearranging the current seating layout for the next Board meeting. Mayor Katchur requested to add a Notice of Motion to the agenda. Mayor Osinchuk requested to provide an update to the Board. The Chair declared the agenda.

2. Approval of Minutes of March 8, 2012

Motion: To accept the minutes of March 8, 2012.

Moved by Mayor Boyd.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. REF Applications

- a. REF 2012-004 Proposed MDP amendment, North Major Area Structure Plan amendment and Crossroads Area Structure Plan, Leduc County

The Chair provided an overview of the CRB Motion procedure. A handout was provided to members by CRB Administration; a letter of support received from the City of Edmonton, prior to the consideration of REF 2012-004. Mayor Whaley introduced the topic. Sylvain Losier, Manager, Long Range Planning, Planning & Development from Leduc County made a presentation providing an overview of the ASP highlighting the details of the Plan. He explained the County's planning and consultation process in developing the Plan and its compliance with all requirements of the Capital Region Growth Plan. Mr. Losier also emphasized the importance of the Plan to Leduc County as well as to the Capital Region.

Mr. Randy Remington from Remington Development Corporation provided a brief overview and reasoning for their development and support for Leduc County's ASP.

Neal Sarnecki gave an overview of the CRB Administration recommendation confirming that the Crossroads ASP is consistent with the evaluation criteria in the Regional Evaluation Framework (REF) and the principles and policies of the CRB Growth Plan. The third party consultant (Lovatt Planning Consultants) also supported the recommendation to approve the ASP.

A Subcommittee of CAO's was convened on March 13, 2012 to review REF 2012-04. The Subcommittee did not reach unanimous consensus. The following concerns were raised at the Subcommittee: 1) A comprehensive land use plan for Priority Growth Area (PGA) C_w is required to address the integration of land uses and transportation corridors between the Airport and the City of Edmonton. 2) Liability associated with Highway 2 realignment; the ASP identifies a Transitional Policy Area for the right-of-way that would be required for any



future realignment for Q.E. II. The concern being the potential future loss revenue to the taxpayer relative to the value added to the property in question.

Some comments were made regarding the ASP's impact on the Q.E. II highway, the possible competition with the Edmonton International Airport (EIA) and the possible cost to taxpayers. Mr. Losier assured the Board that an extensive consultation was undertaken with key stakeholders, including the public, EIA, Alberta Transportation and the City of Edmonton in developing the Plan and that all parties now support the Plan. Both Alberta Transportation and EIA are aware of the Plan and have showed their support. He also noted that the Plan has the capacity built in if there were a second Outer Ring Road to exist in the future.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approves the proposed Crossroads Area Structure Plan and amendments to the Leduc County Municipal Development Plan and North Major Area Structure Plan in accordance with the Regional Evaluation Framework.

Moved by Mayor Whaley.
Motion carried unanimously.

4. Representations from the Public

None.

5. Other Issues

a. Town of Redwater – Meeting Request with AUMA

Mayor Smith withdrew his Motion.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board request the Chair of the CRB to meet with the AUMA president and request that they maintain their non-partisan mandate and work “with” the current government, regardless of the party and further cease engaging political media tactics which criticize the Province particularly during a provincial election.

Motion withdrawn.

Councillor Shaw replaced Mayor Rigney as Sturgeon County's representative.

b. New CRB Regulation

Kathleen LeClair provided an overview of the new CRB Regulation, Alberta Regulation 38/2012 that came into effect April 1, 2012. Ms. LeClair highlighted the updates to the new Regulation; removing New Sarepta from the CRB participating municipalities and Part 1, Section 6(1) which clarifies the existing practices that allow the CRB to pass motions in camera.

Mayor Katchur put forward a Notice of Motion on behalf of the Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee. It was noted that the draft Strategy will be circulated to the Board for review before the next meeting.

Notice of Motion: That the Capital Region Board approves the Pipeline Linkages Communications Strategy.



Placed on floor by Mayor Katchur.

Mayor Osinchuk provided an update on the 2012 Capital Region Municipal Golf Tournament which will be held in Strathcona County at the Broadmoor Golf Course on August 10, 2012. An invitation was provided to members. Members were advised that registration forms for the event will be sent out in the near future.

Mayor Rigney replaced Councillor Shaw as Sturgeon County's representative.

In-Camera

6. Committee of the Whole

a. Committee Reports

i. Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee

A copy of the April 12, 2012 Report (#3) was provided to members prior to the meeting. Mayor Katchur, Vice Chair, provided an overview of the recent work and future initiatives planned for the Pipeline Linkages Strategy Committee.

ii. Land Use Committee

A copy of the April 12, 2012 Report (#35) was provided to members prior to the meeting. Mayor Fisher provided an overview of the work of the Land Use Committee.

iii. Transit Committee

A copy of the April 12, 2012 Report (#18) was provided to members prior to the meeting. Also provided for information was a copy of the Local Scan and Preliminary Alternatives document as part of the Regional Transit Fare Study and Implementation Plan project. Councillor Iveson provided an overview of the current and future work plans for the Transit Committee. Hassan Shaheen from ISL gave a presentation updating the Board on the progress of the Transit Committee's projects; the Regional Transit Governance Study and the Regional Fare Strategy and Implementation Plan.

7. Administrative Issues

a. Monthly Financial Report – March 2012

The Report was provided to members prior to the meeting. Kathleen LeClair provided an overview of the draft March 2012 monthly financial report. Ms. LeClair noted that CRB Administration will be requesting and sending any outstanding claims to members in preparation for the unaudited financial statements for the March 31, 2012 year end.

Mayor Berube reminded members to send their responses for the attendance at focus group sessions taking place in May as part of the Long-Term Funding Strategy Project.



8. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.