Minutes of the meeting of the Capital Region Board held at Penthouse Room, Holiday Inn Express Downtown on Thursday, March 10, 2016

Delegates in Attendance:

Mayor Nolan Crouse – St. Albert/Chair  
Mayor Camille Berube – Beaumont  
Mayor Randy Boyd – Bon Accord  
Councillor Virginia Differenz – Bruderheim (alternate)  
Mayor Wally Yachmetz – Calmar  
Mayor Stephen Lindop – Devon  
Mayor Don Iveson – Edmonton  
Councillor Ed Gibbons - Edmonton (alternate)  
Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan  
Councillor Louise Bauder – Gibbons  
Mayor Bill Skinner – Lamont  
Reeve Wayne Woldanski – Lamont County  
Mayor Greg Krischke – Leduc  
Mayor John Whaley – Leduc County  
Mayor Carol Tremblay – Legal  
Mayor Lisa Holmes – Morinville  
Mayor Rod Shaigec – Parkland County  
Mayor Mel Smith – Redwater  
Alderman Ed McLean – Spruce Grove (alternate)  
Mayor William Choy – Stony Plain  
Mayor Roxanne Carr – Strathcona County  
Mayor Tom Flynn – Sturgeon County  
Mayor Barry Rasch – Thorsby  
Mayor Charlene Smylie – Wabamun  
Mayor Ralph van Assen – Warburg  
Bruce McDonald – Government of Alberta

Absent:

CRB Administration:

Malcolm Bruce, CEO  
Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager  
Sharon Shuya, Project Manager  
Loreen Lennon, Communications Manager  
Leslie Chivers, Operations Manager  
Brandt Denham, GIS Coordinator  
Amanda Borman, Executive Assistant  
Lisa Saskiw, Administrative Assistant
1. Call to Order
   Called to order 10:00 a.m.

2. Chair’s Opening Remarks

   Mayor Don Iveson, Edmonton, takes a seat at the table, replacing Councillor Ed Gibbons.
   - Condolences to Thorsby on the passing of Councillor Bob Barnett.
   - Congratulations to Mayor Greg Krischke, Leduc, for being awarded the Sport Tourism Champion of the Year.
   - Welcome back to Mayor Bill Skinner, Lamont.
   - Transportation Priorities, Letter from AIHA and comments from the Minister will be added to the CEO Update as item 12b.

3. Approval of Agenda

   Moved by Mayor Berube. Accepted by Chair.

   Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the Agenda of March 10, 2016, subject to the inclusion of item 12b - Minister’s position on AIHA.

   Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

   It was requested that Administration take the draft minutes back for further refinement and bring them back to the April 14, 2016 meeting for approval.

5. Advocacy & Monitoring Committee

   a. Capital Region Growth Plan: Monitoring and Reporting Indicators

      Moved by Mayor Krischke. Accepted by Chair.

      Mayor Gale Katchur requested the vote be recorded.

      Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the Growth Plan: Monitoring and Reporting Indicators report and forward it to the Government of Alberta as recommended by the Advocacy & Monitoring Committee.

      23 in favour, 1 opposed. Supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the populations. Motion Carried.
6. Governance, Priorities & Finance Committee

a. Membership Voting Structure

Moved by Mayor Berube. Accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board support the updated voting structure and request that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Lieutenant Governor in Council take such steps as are required to enact a regulation replacing or amending the Capital Region Board Regulation, ALTA. Reg. 38/2012, to give effect to the new voting structure.

Mayor Tom Flynn, Sturgeon, put forward a friendly amendment to have “subject to the Government of Alberta approval of the Membership Review motions passed at the February 11, 2016 CRB meeting” included at the end of the motion. The friendly amendment was accepted.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board support the updated voting structure and request that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Lieutenant Governor in Council take such steps as are required to enact a regulation replacing or amending the Capital Region Board Regulation, ALTA. Reg. 38/2012, to give effect to the new voting structure, subject to the Government of Alberta approval of the Membership Review motions passed at the February 11, 2016 CRB meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Business Plan

Moved by Mayor Berube. Accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the 2016-20 Capital Region Board Business Plan as recommended by the Governance, Priorities & Finance Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. CRB Regional Economic Development Initiative

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the regional economic development model facilitated via the CRB and that administration seek Provincial funding opportunities and report back to the Board in 2016 with an update and implementation timeline.
Or,

That the Capital Region Board approve the regional economic development model, which
would be independent of the CRB, for implementation and that administration facilitate the
first meeting of self-identified municipalities in 2016.

Requested by a member that the recommended motion be split into two individual motions.
Accepted by Chair. Chair declared a short break to present updated motions based on the
comments from the members during the Q & A.

Moved by Mayor Katchur. Accepted by Chair.

1) Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve a regional economic development model
facilitated via the CRB and that administration seek Provincial funding opportunities and report
back to the Board in 2016.

Mayor Camille Berube, Beaumont, put forward a friendly amendment to have “2016” replaced
by “in June” in the motion. The friendly amendment was accepted.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve a regional economic development model
facilitated via the CRB and that administration seek Provincial funding opportunities and report
back to the Board in June.

5 in favour, 19 opposed. Not supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than
75 percent of the populations. Motion Defeated.

Moved by Mayor Carr. Accepted by Chair.

2) Motion: That the Capital Region Board incubate a formal regional economic development
model, which would be independent of the CRB, for further development and that administration
seek Provincial support for the next steps, and administration to report on progress in June.

20 in favour, 4 opposed. Supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75
percent of the populations. Motion Carried.

8. Advocacy & Monitoring Committee

a. Mandate Review – Economic Development

Moved by Mayor Krischke. Accepted by Chair.

Motion: That Capital Region Board writes to the Province, as recommended by the Advocacy &
Monitoring Committee.
That the CRB recognizes the need for regional economic development and wishes to work further with the Province as the CRB incubates a separate institution.

23 in favour, 1 opposed. Supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the populations. **Motion Carried.**

9. Growth Plan Update Task Force

a. Draft Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Structure to 2044 – Conceptual Map

**Moved by** Mayor Carr. **Accepted by** Chair.

**Motion:** That the Capital Region Board approve the draft Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Structure to 2044 - Conceptual Map direction as the basis for developing the policies for the Growth Plan 2.0, as recommended by the Growth Plan Update Task Force.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

b. Policy Approach and Policy Objectives

**Moved by** Mayor Carr. **Accepted by** Chair.

**Motion:** That the Capital Region Board approve the Growth Plan Update Policy Approach and Policy Objectives and Policy Directions as the basis for developing the policies for the Growth Plan 2.0, as recommended by the Growth Plan Update Task Force.

Mayor Bill Skinner, Lamont, leaves the meeting; no alternate representative takes his place.

Chair Crouse relinquished the Chair position to CRB Vice-Chair Berube.

CRB Vice-Chair Berube, returns the Chair position to Chair Crouse.

**Mayor Tom Flynn, Sturgeon, moved** to amend the motion to “remove Ag Policy related matters”. **Accepted by** Chair.

**Amendment:** That the Ag Policy related matters be removed from the Growth Plan Update Policy Approach and Policy Objectives and Policy Directions.

2 in favour, 22 opposed. Not supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the populations. **Motion Failed.**

**Motion:** That the Capital Region Board approve the Growth Plan Update Policy Approach and Policy Objectives and Policy Directions as the basis for developing the policies for the Growth Plan 2.0, as recommended by the Growth Plan Update Task Force.
19 in favour, 5 opposed. Supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the populations. **Motion Carried.**

**Mayor Lisa Holmes, Morinville**, leaves the meeting; no alternate representative takes her place.

**10. Board Information Requests Update**

**11. Committee/Task Force Minutes**

**Mayor Charlene Smylie, Wabamun**, leaves the meeting; no alternate representative takes her place.

**Mayor Stephen Lindop, Devon**, leaves the meeting; no alternate representative takes his place.

  a. **Advocacy & Monitoring Committee** – *draft minutes, update provided*
  b. **Governance, Priorities & Finance Committee** – *draft minutes and update provided*
  c. **Growth Plan Update Task Force** – *draft minutes provided*

**12. Administrative Items**

  a. **CEO’s Update**
     i. Letter received from AIHA regarding indication from the Province that the Transportation Prioritization List may be set aside for new consultations and possibly revisit the second bridge south of the Fort Saskatchewan. The letter will be distributed to members and the matter will be brought back to the Board.
     ii. Friendly reminder of the “Collaborate to Compete” event, June 2, 2016 in Winnipeg.
     iii. Request that all Claims be submitted by March 30 for the completion of fiscal year end.

  b. **Minister’s Position on Transportation**

Chair declared after a request that the Chair of the Alberta’s Industrial Heartland, Councillor Ed Gibbons, City of Edmonton, be invited to speak regarding this matter during the next scheduled Board meeting.

**Mayor Gale Katchur, Fort Saskatchewan**, leaves the meeting; no alternate representative takes her place.

**13. Adjournment**

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

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CRB Chair, Nolan Crouse

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CRB CEO, Malcolm Bruce