Minutes of a meeting of the Capital Region Board held at Chateau Louis, Grand Ballroom on Thursday, September 12, 2013

Delegates in Attendance:

Mayor Nolan Crouse – St. Albert/Chair
Mayor Camille Berube – Beaumont
Mayor Don Rigney – Sturgeon County
Mayor Stephen Mandel – Edmonton
Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan
Councillor Doug Horner - Gibbons
Councillor Dwight Ganske – Stony Plain
Mayor Dawson Kohl - Warburg
Mayor Bill Skinner – Town of Lamont
Councillor Jocelyn MacKay – Leduc County
Councillor Trina Jones - Legal
Mayor Linda Osinchuk – Strathcona County

Mayor Randy Boyd – Bon Accord
Mayor Greg Krischke – City of Leduc
Councillor Bill Purdy - Wabamun
Mayor Karl Hauch - Bruderheim
Councillor Lisa Holmes - Morinville
Mayor Anita Fisher - Devon
Mayor Rodney Shaigec – Parkland County
Alderman Jeff Acker – Spruce Grove
Mayor Mel Smith - Redwater
Reeve Wayne Woldanski – Lamont County
Ivan Moore – Government of Alberta

Absent:

Mayor Barry Rasch – Thorsby

CRB Administration:

Doug Lagore, Chief Executive Officer Sharon Shuya, Project Manager Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager Kim Wieringa, Project Manager Brendan Pinches, Project Manager Mayor Don Faulkner - Calmar

Charlene Chauvette, Office Manager Stephanie Chai, Planning Intern Courtney Andrews, Executive Assistant Allyson Jacques, Administrative Assistant

Open to Public

1. Call to Order and Chair's opening remarks

Called to order at 8:01 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

The Chair amended the agenda to change the order of Item 8a and Item 7a.

Moved by Mayor Boyd.

Motion: To approve the agenda of September 12, 2013, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes of July 11, 2013

The Chair noted an error; to correct the spelling of Mayor Magera's last name in the minutes.

Moved by Councillor Purdy.

Motion: To approve the minutes of July 11, 2013, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Other Business

a. St. Albert Motions

Chair Crouse relinquished the Chair position to CRB Vice Chair, Mayor Berube. Mayor Crouse introduced the Item.

Moved by Mayor Crouse.

i. **Motion:** The CRB support a budget allotment of an annual \$100,000 fund from the \$3,000,000 CRB funding be allocated to assist in planning within municipalities <3,500 in population, and that the CEO prepare a draft policy in this regard for review by the Governance Committee by March 31, 2014 prior to review at the Board.

Mayor Mandel made a friendly suggestion to remove "\$100,000" from the motion; Mayor Crouse accepted this change. Mayor Mandel put forward a motion.

Moved by Mayor Mandel.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board table this motion until after the 2013 election.

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

St. Albert choose not to move the following motion:

ii. **Motion:** the Board direct administration to include a \$250,000 allowance 'above the line' on the next GreenTRIP list update. These undefined funds could be allocated to assist

municipalities <3,500 in population with public transit needs such as small buses, seniors vans, or other related "group transport" needs.

and

Administration recommend to the Province changes to the GreenTRIP criteria that would allow for such applications to be considered eligible. Mayor Berube introduced the item. Sharon Shuya gave a presentation providing an overview of the Project Charter developed to give a high level description of the Project's scope, approach and proposed timelines. Ms. Shuya noted that herself and CEO, Doug Lagore would be willing to make a presentation to any member municipalities' councils if requested.

5. Transit

a. GreenTRIP Priority List

Councillor Iveson introduced the Item regarding the updated GreenTRIP Priority List as recommended by the Regional Transit Committee.

Moved by Mayor Katchur.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the 2013 GreenTRIP project list and request a letter be sent to the Minister of Transportation as an update of the Region's transit priorities.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Land Use

a. Regional Evaluation Framework (Ministerial Order L:270/10) Amendment

Mayor Fisher introduced the Item. Mr. Neal Sarnecki provided a brief presentation on the background and rationale regarding the recommendation from the Land Use Committee.

Moved by Mayor Fisher.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board direct the Board Chair to send a letter to the Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs requesting that the Regional Evaluation Framework (Ministerial Order L:270/10) be amended by deleting Section 5.4 b) (ii) relating to the consistency of Statutory Plans and Statutory Plan Amendments with the regional population and employment forecasts in the Capital Region Growth Plan as recommended by the Land Use Committee.

Mayor Mandel put forward a motion.

Moved by Mayor Mandel.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board postpone this matter until after the 2013 election.

17 in favour, 7 opposed. Supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population. **Motion carried.**

Motion postponed.



b. Population & Employment Clarification in REF

Mayor Fisher introduced the Item. Mr. Neal Sarnecki gave a presentation providing an overview of the REF interpretation guide for the Population & Employment Forecast Variances.

Mayor Mandel put forward a motion.

Moved by Mayor Mandel.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board postpone this matter until after the 2013 election.

11 in favour, 13 opposed. Not supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population. **Motion failed.**

Mayor Osinchuk put forward an amendment.

Moved by Mayor Osinchuk.

Amendment: To add the words "for baseline information only" after the word criteria in the motion.

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

Moved by Mayor Fisher.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the Population & Employment Forecast Variance process and criteria for Regional Evaluation Framework submissions as recommended by the Land Use Committee.

18 in favour, 6 opposed. Not supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population. **Motion failed.**

7. Previous Business

a. Population & Employment Projections

Mr. Doug Lagore introduced the Item. Mr. Brendan Pinches gave a presentation on the Population & Employment Projections providing an overview of the municipal feedback received and the responses of CRB Administration. It was requested that CRB Administration work on a policy process for updating the Population & Employment Projections in the future.

Mayor Mandel put forward a motion.

Moved by Mayor Mandel.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board postpone this matter until after the 2013 election.

12 in favour, 12 opposed. Not supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population. **Motion failed.**

Moved by Mayor Berube.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the updated Population and Employment Projections as recommended by Capital Region Board Administration.

Mayor Boyd put forward an amendment.

Moved by Mayor Boyd.

Amendment: To change the word "approve" to "accept" and add the words "as a guideline" to the motion.

The amendment was accepted as a friendly amendment.

Mayor Mandel put forward an amendment.

Moved by Mayor Mandel.

Amendment: To add the words "in its decision making process" to the motion.

The amendment was accepted as a friendly amendment.

Moved by Mayor Berube.

Amended Motion: That the Capital Region Board accept the updated Population & Employment Projections as a guideline in its decision making processes as recommended by Capital Region Board Administration.

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

8. Governance

a. CRB Committee Structure

Mayor Berube introduced the Item. Mr. George Cuff from George B. Cuff & Associates provided a presentation on his report for the Committee Structure Review. It was noted that the recommendations in the Report (p. 64 & 65) will be reviewed with a committee and a full implementation report will come back to the Board at a future date.

Mayor Boyd put forward an amendment.

Moved by Mayor Boyd.

Amendment: To add "effective November 2013" to the end of the motion.

The amendment was accepted as a friendly amendment.

Moved by Mayor Berube.

Amended Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve Option B as outlined in the Committee Structure Review Report, as recommended by the Governance Committee effective November 2013.

19 in favour, 5 opposed. Supported by 17 or more municipalities comprising more than 75 percent of the population. **Motion carried.**

10:46 am Councillor Gibbons replaced Mayor Mandel as Edmonton's representative.

Wabamun's representative, Councillor Purdy, left the meeting.

10:50 am Councillor Lumsden replaced Mayor Smith as Redwater's representative.

10:51 am City of Leduc's representative, Mayor Krischke, left the meeting.

Bon Accord's representative, Mayor Boyd, left the meeting.

10:56 am Lamont County's representative, Reeve Woldanski, left the meeting.

11:06 am Fort Saskatchewan's representative, Mayor Katchur, left the meeting.

Item 9b was addressed prior to Item 9a

9. New Business

a. Membership Review (City of Fort Saskatchewan)

Mr. Doug Lagore introduced the Item. Mr. George Cuff gave a presentation on his report regarding the review of the CRB Membership.

Moved by Mayor Osinchuk.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board receive the Cuff Report regarding the Membership Review as information.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. CRB Chair's Term

Mr. Doug Lagore introduced the Item.

Moved by Mayor Berube.

Motion: That the current Chair's term be extended until such time as a new Chair is selected in accordance with the Board's policy subject to Ministerial approval if necessary.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Committee Minutes

a. Land use Committee

Mayor Fisher noted the likelihood of cancelling the September Land Use Committee meeting. A notice will be sent confirming the meeting status following the Board meeting.

- b. Transit Committee
- a. Governance Committee

11. In Camera (if required)

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

CRB Chair, Nolan Crouse

CRB CEO, Doug Lagore