



Minutes of a meeting of
the Capital Region Board
held at Chateau Louis, St. Michael Room
on Thursday, June 9, 2011

Delegates in Attendance:

Mr. Jim Edwards – Interim Chair
Mayor Camille Berube – Beaumont

Mayor Randy Boyd – Bon Accord
Mayor Karl Hauch – Bruderheim
Mayor Don Faulkner – Calmar
Mayor Anita Fisher – Devon
Councillor Ed Gibbons – Edmonton
Mayor William H. Nimmo – Gibbons
Reeve Wayne Woldanski – Lamont County
Councillor Gail Hrehorets – Lamont
Alderman Dominic Mishio – Leduc
Councillor Betty Glassman – Leduc County
Mayor Albert St. Jean – Legal

Councillor Paul Krauskopf – Morinville
Deputy Mayor Darrell Hollands – Parkland
County
Mayor Mel Smith – Redwater
Mayor Stuart Houston – 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
Deputy Mayor Dale Miller - Warburg

Absent:

Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan
Mr. Ivan Moore, Government of Alberta

CRB Staff:

Kathleen LeClair, Chief Officer
Sharon Shuya, Project Manager
Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager
Shari LaPerle, Assistant Project Manager

Terryl Allen, Office Manager
Courtney Andrews, Executive Assistant
Roxy DeLang, Administrative Assistant



This meeting was open to the public except for agenda items 9 - 11, which were held in-camera.

1. Call to Order and Chair's opening remarks

Called to order at 9:01 a.m.

Mayor Rigney requested to add an item to the agenda regarding the Heartland Transmission Project. Members adopted the amended agenda.

2. Approval of Minutes of May 12, 2011

Motion: To accept the minutes of May 12, 2011.

Moved by Mayor Osinchuk.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Representations from the Public

None

4. REF Applications

None.

5. Capital Region Economic Roadmap Final Report

The Interim Chair gave an overview of the Economic Roadmap project and thanked the Economic Roadmap Steering Committee members, Working Group members and CRB Administration for their work and dedication on the project.

Mr. Jackson von der Ohe, Chair of the Roadmap Steering Committee gave a presentation on the Economic Roadmap Final Report. Mr. von der Ohe provided a synopsis of the seven key drivers, recognized themes and recommendations from the Final Report.

Mayor Berube put forward a Motion with respect to the Economic Roadmap Final Report.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board accepts the Final Report of the Steering Committee for the Capital Region Economic Roadmap for information. The Final Report is referred to the Governance Committee for review. The Final Report will be provided to Alberta Finance and Enterprise in fulfillment of the grant agreement.

Moved by Mayor Berube

Some members raised concern about the potential future work related to the implementation of recommendations of the Final Report. After some discussion, a friendly amendment to the Motion was proposed and it was divided into two separate Motions.



Amended Motion: That the Capital Region Board accepts the Final Report of the Steering Committee for the Capital Region Economic Roadmap for information. The Final Report is referred to the Governance Committee for review.

Moved by Mayor Berube.

23 in favour, 1 opposed, and supported by more than 75 percent of the population.

Amended Motion carried.

Amended Motion: That CRB Administration provides the Economic Roadmap Final Report to Alberta Finance and Enterprise in fulfillment of the grant agreement.

Moved by Mayor Berube.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Land Use Issues

a. IRTSS

Mayor Fisher gave an overview and provided background information on the Integrated Regional Transportation System Study (IRTSS).

Hassan Shaheen, General Manager from ISL provided an overview of the Study. The IRTSS technical results will be incorporated into the CRB's Integrated Regional Transportation Master Plan (IRTMP) which will come to the Board at its July 7th meeting for consideration.

Some members raised concern regarding the recommendations and the need for a second Outer Regional Ring Road. It was noted that the Motion refers to Scenario 6 in the Study documents.

Motion: That the Capital Region Board approves the Integrated Regional Transportation System Study (IRTSS) technical results including Scenario 5/6 as recommended by the Land Use Committee on April 28, 2011.

Moved by Mayor Fisher.

22 in favour, 2 opposed, and supported by more than 75 percent of the population.

Motion carried.

Councillor Lemieux replaced Mayor Crouse as St. Albert's representative

7. Governance Issues

a. Population and Employment Forecast

Mayor Houston provided a brief description of the issues related to the Population and Employment Forecast Notice of Motion.

Kathleen LeClair gave a summary of recent discussions about the potential need to review and update the Population and Employment Forecast in the Capital Region Growth Plan.



Notice of Motion: That the Capital Region Board direct CRB Administration to prepare a proposal to start work on the review and update of the Population and Employment Forecast in the Capital Region Growth Plan, and that the proposal be presented to the Board at the July 7, 2011 Board meeting.

Moved by Mayor Houston.

After some discussion, it was requested that an amendment to the Notice of Motion be made to clarify its intent.

Amended Notice of Motion: That the Capital Region Board direct CRB Administration to start work on the review and update of the Population and Employment Forecast in the Capital Region Growth Plan, and that a proposal be presented to the Board.

Moved by Mayor Houston.

8. Other Business (added to agenda)

a. Heartland Transmission Project

Mayor Rigney brought forward an issue regarding the recent work completed by Alberta's Industrial Heartland Association related to the future electricity needs of the province. It was suggested that the Board review its position on the need for affordable, competitive, and reliable electricity of the Region's municipalities and businesses.

Kathleen LeClair suggested that Alberta's Industrial Heartland Association have an opportunity to update the Board on its work.

9. Committee of the Whole

a. Committee Reports

i. Land Use Committee

A copy of the June 9, 2011 Report (#27) was provided to members.

Mayor Fisher gave an overview of the activities of the Land Use Committee.

ii. Housing Committee

A copy of the June 9, 2011 Report (#9) was provided to members.

Councillor Gibbons gave an overview of the recent work and future initiatives of the Housing Committee.

1. Market Research Results – update

A copy of the presentation from Donovan Creative Communications was provided to members. Leah Shinkewshi, Digital & Research Manager from Donovan Creative Communications gave a presentation on their research which included the perceptions of individuals in the Capital Region regarding affordable housing to help inform the Marketing & Communications Strategy.



2. Integrated Land Use & Affordable Housing Framework – update
This item was postponed to the next Board meeting.

3. Housing Symposium – update

An information card on the Capital Region Housing Symposium in October 2011 was provided to members.

10. Administrative Issues

a. 2012-2014 Business Plan – update

Kathleen LeClair provided an overview of the Business Planning session scheduled for July 7, 2011.

b. Monthly Financial Report – May 2011

A copy of the report was provided to members.

c. Staff Changes (added to agenda)

Kathleen LeClair thanked Andy Haden for his contribution to the CRB and informed the Board that Terryl Allen, Office Manager is leaving the CRB for personal reasons.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.