

Delegates in Attendance

Mayor Peter Brown/Councillor Ron Chapman – City of Airdrie
Mayor Jyoti Gondek – City of Calgary
Mayor Jeff Colvin – City of Chestermere
Mayor Jeff Genung – Town of Cochrane (Vice Chair)
Reeve Delilah Miller – Foothills County
Mayor Craig Snodgrass – High River
Mayor Tanya Thorn - Town of Okotoks
Councillor Kevin Hanson – Rocky View County
Ann Laing, Municipal Affairs

CMRB Administration:

Greg Clark, Chair
Jordon Copping, Chief Officer
Liisa Tipman, Director of Regional Planning
Shelley Armeneau, Office Manager
JP Leclair, GIS & Data Leaf

1. Call to Order & Land Acknowledgment

Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM and provided a land acknowledgment.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Brown **Seconded by** Mayor Gondek, accepted by Chair.

M 2023-01

Motion: That the Board approve the agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Consent Agenda

Moved by Mayor Thorn **Seconded by** Mayor Genung, accepted by Chair.

M 2023-02

Motion: That the Board approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Vice Chair Election

The Board must elect a Vice Chair on an annual basis. An email was circulated by Administration to members inviting eligible members to volunteer or nominate for the position. Chair Clark updated the Board that Councillor Hanson expressed interest in the role. Mayor Genung indicated he would step back to let him take it on this year and officially nominated Councillor Hanson as Vice Chair.

Since Councillor Hanson is currently the Vice Chair of the Land Use and Servicing Committee, this nomination will leave that seat vacant. The Committee Vice Chair election will come to the March 9 committee meeting and

Chair Clark invited eligible members to let him know if they are interested in the role.

M 2023-03

Moved by Mayor Genung **Seconded by** Mayor Brown, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Board elect Councillor Kevin Hanson as Vice Chair of the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Board Chair & Chief Officer Goals

Moved by Mayor Genung **Seconded by** Councillor Hanson, accepted by Chair.

M 2023-04

Motion: That the Board approve the Board Chair and Chief Officer Goals for 2023.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Amended Scoping RTTMP Project Charter

Liisa Tipman reviewed this item and answered questions about duplication of efforts, intermunicipal versus regional work and opportunities for possible pilot projects. She explained the process is meant to clarify what makes the most sense for the region, that supports and amplifies the work of the members, and what will be of the greatest benefit to the board in terms of action.

Moved by Mayor Thorn **Seconded by** Mayor Gondek, accepted by Chair.

M 2023-05

Motion: That the Board approve the Amended Project Charter for Scoping the Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan Strategic Initiative.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Joint Planning Area Context Study Terms of Reference Extension

Jordon Copping advised he has been in contact with Municipal Affairs about this request for an extension and he will update the Deputy Minister of the Board's motion after the meeting.

Moved by Mayor Genung, **Seconded by** Mayor Thorn, accepted by Chair.

M2023-06

Motion: That the Board approve a request to extend the deadline for completion of the Joint Planning Area Context Studies Terms of Reference to April 28, 2023.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Roundtable

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Jordon Copping updated the Board on the subject of municipal land use considerations for wind and solar energy applications, which was brought up at the November 2022 meeting. RMA has made a motion to request the Government of Alberta to direct the Alberta Utilities Commission to establish a method of ensuring that there is funding in place for abandoned wind and solar energy to be decommissioned and reclaimed in an environmentally responsible way. In light of this, Municipal Affairs would

prefer to address the motion directly before making any presentations to CMRB on the subject. Jordon will continue to be in contact with Municipal Affairs and an update will come forward to future meeting.

- The Board discussed public misinformation about the concept of a 15-minute city. The Board were supportive of launching efforts to clarify the planning principles and correct terminology around this model. As a starting point, Mayor Gondek agreed to draft a letter on behalf of CMRB and circulate to Board members for input. Additional efforts may also be considered.
- Members discussed off-site levy bylaws and Mayor Thorn invited members to provide information about what they are doing in their municipalities, if they are willing.

Councillor Chapman stepped in for Mayor Brown at 10:10 AM.

- Updates on news in the region included:
 - On February 24 The City of Calgary is hosting a candlelight vigil to mark one year since the invasion of Ukraine by Russia. Members agreed to lend their names in support.
 - The Town of Cochrane highlighted an announcement that Garmin Canada is expanding their headquarters in Cochrane.
 - Rocky View acknowledged the announcement that the De Havilland Field airplane manufacturing complex will be built on 1,500 acres of land in Wheatland County, just east of Calgary.
- Chair Clark updated members that Municipal Affairs has reached out to indicate the Minister will be calling a meeting to conduct a review of regional growth boards as per the Premier's direction. Dates and details will be forthcoming.

9. Next Meeting

Board Economic Development Workshop Friday April 13, 2023. Combined Board meeting and Economic Development Workshop Friday April 28th, 2023.

10. Adjournment at 10:40 AM.



Greg Clark, Chair