PRESENT: Directors Ashtin Anderson, Camille Wallach, Darlene Reimer, Jon LeMessurier,

Natasha Kapitaniuk.

General Manager Rhonda Alix, Facility Manager Tim Wolfenberg, Aquatic Supervisor

Dylan Zilinski and Administration Supervisor Cheryl Ruthven.

ABSENT: Director Dave Pacholok

MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC:

Town of Athabasca CAO Rachel Ramey

Member of the Press (1)

1.0

**Call to Order** Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

2.0 Land

Acknowledgement

Chair Anderson read the Land Acknowledgement: "The Athabasca Regional Multiplex is located on First Nations Treaty 6 territory. We respect and honour all First Nations, Metis and Inuit Peoples connection to these lands, their history, language and culture.

Director Natasha Kapitaniuk arrived at 9:39 a.m.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

#25-01 Motion by Director Reimer to approve the January 27, 2025, General Meeting agenda

as presented.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

4.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting

a) Approval of December 16, 2024, General Meeting Minutes

#25-02 Motion by Director LeMessurier to approve the December 16, 2024, General Meeting minutes

as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 5.0 Financial Report

a) Financial Statement

General Manager Alix presented the Financial Statements as of December 31, 2024.

#25-03

Motion by Director Wallach to accept the financial information as presented.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

# 6.0 Manager Reports

a) General Manager, Facility Manager, and Aquatic Supervisor Reports

General Manager Rhonda Alix discussed the General Manager's report.

Facility Manager Tim Wolfenberg discussed the Facility Manager's report.

Aquatic Supervisor Dylan Zilinski discussed the Aquatic Supervisor's report.

#25-04

Motion by Director LeMessurier to accept the reports as presented.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

### 7.0 Follow up Business

a) Demographic Analysis

Demographic analysis was collected for drop-in and punch passes, memberships and user groups from October, November and December 2024.

#25-05

Motion by Director Wallach to direct Administration to report monthly on the number of active memberships in the General Manager's report.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

Chair Anderson declared a recess at 10:28 a.m. Meeting reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

# b) Strategic Planning Update

Administration has received and reviewed the first draft of the Strategic Plan from RC Strategies.

#25-06

Motion by Director Kapitaniuk to direct Administration to work with RC Strategies and make the necessary changes to the draft Strategic Plas as discussed.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

#### c) 2025 Capital Budget

Administration prepared the 2025 Capital Budget using a contribution of \$225,000.00 from each municipality, as approved on September 16, 2024.

"Director Balay to approve the 2025 proposed capital budget at \$225,000.00 from each municipality."

At the Dec 17, 2024, Town of Athabasca Council meeting the following motion was carried: "That Council approve the nine hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$985,000.00) for the Athabasca Regional Multiplex Society's 2025 Operating budget and ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000.00) for the 2025 Capital Budget."

At the January 14, 2025, Athabasca County Council meeting the following motion was carried: "That County Council direction administration that payments to ARMS for capital budget of the Athabasca Regional Multiplex does not exceed payments made by the Town of Athabasca. County funding is for exclusive use of the Athabasca Regional Multiplex."

The discussion highlighted that ARMS cannot proceed with only \$180,000.00 in total capital funding from our members, resulting in a shortfall of \$270,000.00.

#25-07

Motion by Director Wallach for Administration to send a letter to the Town of Athabasca requesting reconsideration of the 2025 Capital funding and request a delegation to discuss the Capital Budget.

Motion Carried.

#### 10.0 In Camera

- a) Section 27 (1) FOIP Act Legal
- b) Section 27 (1) FOIP Act Privileged Information
- c) Section 16 (1) FOIP Act Business Interest from a Third Party
- d) Section 17 (2)(e) FOIP Act Personnel

#25-08

Motion by Director LeMessurier to go in camera at 11:47 a.m.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

Member of the Public, Member of the Press and Aquatics Supervisor Dylan Zilinski left the meeting at 11:47 a.m. and did not return.

Chair Anderson declared a recess at 12:02 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 12:13 p.m.

Administration Supervisor Cheryl Ruthven left meeting at 12:30 p.m. and returned at 12:45 p.m.

#25-09 Motion by Director Kapitaniuk to come out of camera at 12:46 p.m.

**Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

#25-10 Motion by Director LeMessurier to table item 10. c to the June ARMS meeting for discussion.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

11.0 Next

**Meeting** Next meeting February 24, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

12.0

**Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.