

Minutes	of the regular meeting of Council of the Municipality of Jasper held Tuesday September 15, 2015 in the meeting room of the Emergency Services Building.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland Councillor Dwain Wacko Councillor Vonna Arsenault	Councillor Brian Nesbitt Councillor Helen Kelleher-Empy Councillor Gilbert Wall	
Absent	Councillor Rico Damota		
Also present	Mark Fercho, CAO Martha Fleming, Manager, Human Resources Christine Nadon, Manager, Communications Janet Cooper, Environmental Stewardship Coordinator Natasha Malenchak, Director, Finance & Administration Greg Van Tighem, Director, Protective Services Cpl. Ryan Frost, Jasper RCMP Nicole Veerman, The Fitzhugh Rod Carrothers, ATCO Larry Gibson, ATCO		
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 1:32 p.m.		
Additions to Agenda #247/15	MOTION by Councillor Arsenault – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to add to today's meeting - ATCO introduction and presentation.		
	FOR 6 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	Carried
Approval of Agenda #248/15	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empy – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, September 15, 2015 as amended.		
	FOR 6 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	Carried
Approval of Minutes #249/15	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, September 1, 2015 as presented.		
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Presentations ATCO	Councillors received a surprise presentation from ATCO representatives Rod Carrothers and Larry Gibson. Mr. Carrothers advised Council that he will be retiring after 25 years' service with ATCO and in his place, Larry Gibson will assume his duties as the ATCO representative for this area. Mr. Carrothers reaffirmed ATCO's commitment to continue its good service to the community with much better service levels.		
RCMP Quarterly Reports	Council received the quarterly report from RCMP Cpl. Ryan Frost, who will replace A/Sgt. Ryan Gardiner as acting sergeant while A/Sgt. Ryan Gardiner is away. A new sergeant comes to Jasper in winter. Cpl. Frost provided Council with detailed quarterly reports which are attached hereto and form part of these minutes.		
	Cpl. Frost reviewed the reports and highlighted various offences where statistics are lower or higher than previously reported, such as theft, impaired driving, driving without due care and attention which the RCMP is now enforcing and issuing tickets when a driver is obviously at fault in a collision.		
	Cpl. Frost also reported that Constable Jessica Roy is leaving Jasper for her new posting in Okotoks. A new constable will replace her shortly. Cpl. Frost advised council that the current RCMP building is deteriorating rapidly and Jasper is in the lineup for a new building. Staff accommodation is also very important. There is a need to house members in onsite accommodation.		
Business Arising Zamboni room renovations	CAO Mark Fercho advised council that a number of changes to the Zamboni room renovations have taken place since his last report to Council and are now looking at possible alternative ways to accommodate the Zamboni through the winter. More information should be available this week.		
Dept. Reports Environmental Stewardship Report	Council received, for information purposes, the written report of the Environmental Stewardship Coordinator. In her report, Janet Cooper, in addition to highlighting events and community involvement, the rebate programme, electric vehicle charging stations, the SEED classroom, Jasper Local Food Society, a new work plan for Environmental Stewardship for the coming year, and the upcoming RCA Waste Reduction conference in		

Banff, Mrs. Cooper advised that some high quality compost will be available to community members and is located at the side of the Catholic Church at the back of the parking lot. Mayor Ireland encouraged Mrs. Cooper to keep working on the crabapple project, even if it might be too late for this year.

Human Resources Report	Council received, for information purposes, the written report of the Human Resources Manager. In her report, Martha Fleming highlighted recent recruitments and hiring activities in various departments, staff who are on leave currently, the recently held Respect Ed for all staff. Another session will be held soon for those staff who could not attend the first round. Ms. Fleming also reported on her recent attendance at an Accommodation Law conference, and on the upcoming Summer Staff Appreciation Barbecue on September 17 th where ten year service awards will be presented.						
Finance & Admin Report	Council received, for information purposes, the written report of the Finance and Administration director. In her report, Natasha Malenchak highlighted recent Management Reporter training with administration staff, gas tax, library project, capital and operating budget reports. Feedback is being solicited on the new reports format from Council. Preliminary operational budget have been submitted as of yesterday. Mrs. Malenchak suggested that travel expenses could be discussed at the October 27 th organizational meeting and will circulate documents by e-mail for input prior to that date.						
Notice – CN Rail Request	Council advised that, at the next regular meeting of Council on September 6 th , 2015, Council will consider a request from CN Rail for funding as part of a capital upgrade at the level crossing. In response to a question from the Mayor, the CAO advised that CN will replace the current infrastructure with newer materials and parts. The Deputy Mayor requested some clarity on what they will be doing.						
Busking during Alberta Culture Days #250/15	MOTION by Councillor Arsenault – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve Busking Permits for the Alberta Culture Days Busking Pilot Project for September 26 and 27, 2015 with sites prioritized. <table border="0" style="margin-left: 200px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FOR</td> <td style="text-align: center;">AGAINST</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">6 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Carried</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		6 councillors	0 councillors	Carried
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Business Licence Review 2015 #251/15	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve providing the MNP Business Licence Review report for the Municipality of Jasper and Parks Canada, to the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce and Community Futures West Yellowhead for their review and feedback. <table border="0" style="margin-left: 200px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FOR</td> <td style="text-align: center;">AGAINST</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">6 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Carried</td> </tr> </table> <p>The CAO indicated that he would bring feedback to Council and discuss next steps shortly.</p>	FOR	AGAINST		6 councillors	0 councillors	Carried
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IOTAD Request for Lease Fee Exemption #252/15	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council defer the collection of the first twelve months of lease fees from the Jasper Community Habitat for the Arts (IOTAD) with interest until an alternate decision regarding the lease fee exemption or repayment plan is determined. <table border="0" style="margin-left: 200px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FOR</td> <td style="text-align: center;">AGAINST</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">6 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Carried</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		6 councillors	0 councillors	Carried
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JAG Request Deputy Mayor Wacko left meeting	Deputy Mayor Wacko disclosed a pecuniary interest under section 172 of the MGA – a family member of the Deputy Mayor is in direct competition with the Jasper Artists Guild – and left the meeting at 3:14 p.m. CAO Mark Fercho advised Council that, subsequent to JAG request for a lease fee exemption dated August 18, 2015, another letter received September 14, 2015 advising that JAG is not in favour of a deferral of a lease fee exemption at this time. Council requested that any decision be postponed until a later time, leaving administration to deal with lease negotiations.						
Deputy Mayor Wacko returned to the meeting	Deputy Mayor Wacko returned to the meeting at 3:18 p.m.						
Alberta Winter Games 2018 Expression of Interest Waiver of Notice #253/15	MOTION by Deputy Mayor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to waive the two-week public notice period in order to consider the endorsement of a submission of a joint bid with the Town of Hinton to co-host the 2018 Alberta Winter Games. This waiver is being requested in order to comply with the deadline of September 15 th , 2015 for submissions. <table border="0" style="margin-left: 200px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FOR</td> <td style="text-align: center;">AGAINST</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">6 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Carried</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		6 councillors	0 councillors	Carried
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Alberta Winter Games 2018 Expression of Interest #254/15

MOTION by Councillor Wall – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council endorse the submission of a joint bid with the Town of Hinton to co-host the 2018 Alberta Winter Games.

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6 councillors	0 councillors	Carried

CAO to contact Marmot Basin to bring them into the loop and to let them know the Municipality has expressed interest in the bid with Hinton.

Correspondence Jasper Legion

Draft letter from Mayor to Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding Jasper Legion's tax exemption status – for information purposes.

Other New Business

None

Councillor Reports Councillor Arsenault

Councillor Arsenault advised that Museum board member Joe Couture had passed away recently and his loss will be greatly felt by the community.

Councillor Arsenault had attended recent Museum board meeting, a housing committee meeting, and will be attending the AUMA conference, together with the Mayor and other councilors, and will then attend the Alberta Recycling Conference in Banff at the end of this month.

Councillor Kelleher-Empey

Councillor Kelleher-Empey will be attending an upcoming Community Future meeting this week. She advised that she will not be able to attend the upcoming Culture and Recreation board meeting this Thursday, however, Deputy Mayor Wacko will attend in her place.

Councillor Kelleher-Empey advised that the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association will be holding its mid-term meetings in Vermillion October 23-24, which she will attend, and will bring up the recent accidents that have happened on highway 16. This will be added to an upcoming Council committee meeting for discussion.

Upcoming Events

A list of upcoming events was available to councilors in the agenda package. Mayor Ireland advised that he will be speaking to the Canadian Home Buildings Association on Friday, September 18th at 8 am. Also, at noon, a group of paramedics raising awareness and funds for injured paramedics will be riding bikes from Jasper to Banff. A send-off is planned for 9 am, Friday morning, September 18th. The Mayor is not able to attend, but either Deputy Mayor Wacko or Councillor Nesbitt will attend instead.

October 4th at 2 pm at the Activity Centre will see a celebration of life for Joe Couture. NETMA meets on September 17th. Also, on September 17th at 3:30 pm in the grassy area behind the Fitness Centre, a Staff Appreciation BBQ will be held with 10 year service awards being presented. Community Futures and Evergreens meetings will be held in Jasper at the end of this month.

Adjournment #255/15

MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 councillors	0 councillors	Carried

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer