

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 21, 2019 | 1:30 p.m.
Quorum Room, Jasper Library and Cultural Centre

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Wilson, Councillors Bert Journault, Rico Damota, Helen Kelleher-Empey and Jenna McGrath

Absent Councillor Paul Butler

Also present Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer
Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager
Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator
Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance and Administration
John Greathead, Director of Operations
Yvonne McNabb, Director of Culture and Recreation
Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager
Kathleen Waxer, Director of Community and Family Services
Martha Fleming, Human Resources Manager
Gord Hutton, Buildings and Asset Manager
Greg Van Tighem, Director of Protective Services
Joe Campbell, IT Coordinator
Marc Chalifoux, Utilities Manager
Jeremy Todgham, Fitness and Aquatic Centre Manager
Fuchsia Dragon, Fitzhugh
Sue D’Heer, observer
Patti Urie, observer
Kirsten Schmitten, observer
Grace Kohn, observer
Mike Merilovich, observer
Kirsty Boisvert, observer
10 other observers

Call to order Mayor Ireland called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

Additions to the agenda #93/19 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council change the order of today’s agenda as follows:
Defer agenda item 4.1 until after agenda items 7.2 and 7.3

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of agenda #94/19 MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, May 21, 2019 as amended.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of regular minutes MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the minutes of the April 16, 2019 regular council meeting as presented.

#95/19

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Business arising from the minutes Mayor Ireland inquired if a municipal staff member attended a meeting regarding Community Futures' Lemonade Day. It was confirmed a staff member did attend the meeting.

Bylaw summary Council received a summary of bylaws currently in force and those in various stages of readings in the Municipality.

Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw Prior to any discussion on this item, councillors discussed various edits to the proposed bylaw, including the name of the bylaw. Councillors noted the term "waste reduction" was more encompassing of the bylaw's intent.

Also prior to any decision on this item, council welcomed comments from the gallery.

Sue D'Heer, a local business owner, suggested the Municipality focus on education and cooperation with local businesses; and not to enforce a penalty for noncompliant businesses.

Patti Urie, resident, noted many businesses throughout Europe do not offer plastic bags at check-out counters.

Kirsten Schmitt, resident, urged council to move forward with this item, noting numerous community members have already expressed their support for this bylaw.

Grace Kohn, resident, noted discussions surrounding this bylaw have changed the way she shops as she now opts for less waste whenever possible – not just regarding plastic check-out bags. She hopes this bylaw has done the same for other community members.

Mike Merilovich, local business owner, expressed his opposition to the bylaw, citing the cost burden to his businesses as a main source of frustration.

Kirsty Boisvert, resident, urged council to move forward with this item.

Waste Reduction Regulation Bylaw #95/19 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend bylaw #215 to be named the "Waste Reduction Regulation Bylaw" and to further amend Section 7 of the bylaw to provide that the bylaw will come into effect July 1, 2019 with the exception of Section 5 of the bylaw, which will come into force on a date to be proclaimed by council.

FOR	AGAINST	
5 Councillors	1 Councillor	CARRIED

Waste Reduction Regulation Bylaw – 2nd reading #96/19

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that council read for the second time, Bylaw #215, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta as amended.

FOR	AGAINST	
5 Councillors	1 Councillor	CARRIED

The bylaw will be sent to Parks Canada for certification and is expected to return for a third and final reading at the next regular council meeting.

Recess

Mayor Ireland called a recess from 2:42 pm to 2:50 pm.

Taxation Rates Bylaw 2019 – 1st reading #97/19

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council read for the first time, Bylaw # 217, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property within the Municipality of Jasper for the 2019 taxation year.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Taxation Rates Bylaw 2019 – 2nd reading #98/19

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council read for the second time, Bylaw # 217, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property within the Municipality of Jasper for the 2019 taxation year.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

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Presentation: Cascade Management Software

Mr. Hicks of PMH Insights presented information on his company’s program to aid with municipal integrated planning and reporting.

Councillors noted their appreciation of such a program, but inquired if it would actually be used by staff, who would have to input information into the program. Mr. Hicks explained PMH Insights has a training and development program designed to help staff adapt to the new program.

Waiver – Wildflowers Childcare Play Space #99/19

Mr. Hutton explained a waiver of notice has been requested because the project has been ongoing for a long period of time, therefore, staff would like to see it completed as soon as possible.

MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council agree to waive the two-week notice period to make a decision on the Wildflowers Childcare play space redevelopment request.

	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
RFD – Wildflowers Childcare Play Space (1 of 2) #100/19	MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the expenditure of an additional \$21,267 from the Community and Family Services restricted reserves for the redevelopment of the Wildflowers Childcare play space.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
RFD – Wildflowers Childcare Play Space (2 of 2) #101/19	MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve an amended project budget of \$117,661 for the redevelopment of the Wildflowers Childcare play space.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Waiver – LOU: JVFB #102/19	Mr. Fercho explained a waiver of notice has been requested because the agreement has already been negotiated and must now move forward in a timely manner.		
	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empy – BE IT RESOLVED that council agree to waive the two-week notice period to make a decision on the letter of understanding between the Municipality of Jasper and the Jasper Volunteer Fire Brigade Society.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Letter of Understanding: JVFB #103/19	MOTION by Deputy Mayor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the letter of understanding between the Municipality of Jasper and the Jasper Volunteer Fire Brigade Society.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Councillor reports	Councillor McGrath noted the Jasper Community Team’s annual general meeting will be on May 23 at the Jasper Inn.		
	Mayor Ireland gave remarks at the annual flag raising for the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia. Mayor Ireland remarked that Anna DeClercq, the municipality’s teen outreach worker, gave a great presentation at the flag raising.		

Mayor Ireland attended a Jasper-Banff Relay meeting. Relay organizers would like to park a car on a sidewalk for the event and are in need of a volunteer with flagging credentials.

Mayor Ireland also attended, along with Mr. Fercho, a stakeholders meeting for the proposed Jasper culinary school. There is a possibility a culinary school society could be formed in the near future, which could aid with moving this project forward.

Councillor Kelleher-Empey and Deputy Mayor Wilson attended a Community Futures meeting. Council is invited to attend the Community Futures annual general meeting on June 20 in Wildwood.

Upcoming events Council received a list of upcoming events.

In camera: Advice from officials #104/19 MOTION by Deputy Mayor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council move in camera at 4:14 pm to discuss agenda item 13.1 Advice from Officials: Insurance Matter – FOIP, S. 24.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mr. Fercho also attended the in camera session to provide administrative support.

Revert to open meeting #105/19 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council move out of camera at 4:41 pm.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Adjournment #106/19 MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the regular meeting of May 21, 2019 be adjourned at 4:42 pm.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer