

Minutes	of the regular meeting of Council of the Municipality of Jasper held Wednesday, April 17, 2012 in the meeting room of the Emergency Services Building.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland Councillor Dwain Wacko Councillor Rico Damota	Deputy Mayor Mike Day Councillor Brian Skehill	Councillor Gilbert Wall Councillor Brenda Zinck
Also present	Peter Waterworth, CAO Christine Nadon, Mgr, Communications Nicole Veerman, The Fitzhugh Greg Van Tighem, Emerg. Services Pattie Pavlov, Chamber of Commerce Chris Guibeault, Senior Audit Manager, Hawkings Epp Dumont 8 observers		
Call to order	The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.		
Additions to Agenda	None		
Approval of Agenda #107/12	MOTION by Councillor Wall – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, April 17, 2012 as presented.		
	FOR 7 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Minutes #108/12	MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 4, 2012 with corrections as discussed.		
	FOR 7 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	CARRIED
	Note: It was noted, after the meeting that, due to a printing error, the printed format of the minutes in the agenda package did not show the full extent of the minutes. The correct version of the minutes can be viewed on the Municipality's website – <a href="http://www.jasper-alberta.com">www.jasper-alberta.com</a>		
International Poetry Month Peter Thomas Poet	Council recognized April as International Poetry Month across Canada by receiving poetry readings from local poet Peter Thomas who read his original poems "My Mind, My Words, My Limit", and "Old Man". Mr. Thomas was the recipient of a \$175 prize. The City of Regina has challenged municipal councils to take some time during a meeting in March or April to recognize the work of local poets. Jasper was one of the communities invited to participate in the Challenge.		
Audit 2011	Council received, from Chris Guilbeault, Senior Audit Manager with Hawkings Epp Dumont, a report on the audit findings from the recently conducted audit of the Municipality financial records.		
#109/12	MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept and approve the financial audit as prepared by Hawkings Epp Dumont LL.P. for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. A copy of the audit report is attached hereto and forms part of these minutes.		
	FOR 7 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	CARRIED
Commercial Passenger Loading Zone 611 Patricia St.	Council discussed, with members of the public and business officials involved in the rafting and tour businesses, the current location of the commercial passenger loading zone and a proposal to move the zone to Connaught Drive in front of the new public washrooms. Chief Bylaw Officer Dave Osborne advised that he will be monitoring this zone daily and will report back to Council at a future meeting.		
#110/12	MOTION by Councillor Day – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council give notice that, at the May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2012 regular meeting, Council will be asked to approve a request that the commercial loading zone at 611 Patricia Street be relocated by June 2013. with new signage to be installed for the 2012 summer season to encourage compliance while a new location is determined.		
	FOR 7 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	CARRIED
Bylaw #159 Tax Rates 2012 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading #111/12	MOTION by Councillor Skehill – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council read, for the second time, Bylaw #159, 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 2012 taxation year.		
	FOR 7 councillors	AGAINST 0 councillors	CARRIED
	Bylaw #159, second reading version, will be forwarded to Parks Canada for their certification that the bylaw does not infringe on land use, planning, development, or environmental issues. Third and final reading is expected to take place at the May 1st 2012 regular meeting.		

Policy Manual Rewrite Policies B-016 E-006, E-010, E-011 #112/12

MOTION by Councillor Zinck – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the following policies as part of the rewrite of the Municipality’s Policy Manual:  
 Policy B-016 – Retention and Disposal of Records  
 Policy E-006 – Employee Award Programme  
 Policy E-010 – Exempt Staff Compensation  
 Policy E-011 – Leaves of Absence and Sick Leave

FOR	AGAINST	
7 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED

Reserve Transfers #113/12

MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to transfer reserves as shown on the attached list. This list is attached hereto and forms part of these minutes.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED

Councillors’ Reports

Councillor Skehill reported on his recent attendance at a Community Team meeting. He advised that Bob Covey’s contract as coordinator has come to an end, and the Team has hired Cathy Waterworth as its new coordinator.

Councillor Day reported on the “Share the Spirit” Ambassadors’ programme – training sessions to begin May 2<sup>nd</sup> and will follow every two weeks for the summer season.

Councillor Zinck reported that Jason Patterson has left the Community Future Committee for a position with Marmot Basin. Councillor Zinck will attend the CFC conference in Halifax this year, and advised that she will be attending the opening retreat of Leadership West Yellowhead. Christine Nadon is registered in this year’s sessions.

Mayor Ireland travelled to Beijing at the beginning of April with Mayor Mandel as part of the Edmonton/Jasper Tourism Delegation to China. Mayor Ireland advised that he had signed a variety of tourism agreements with Chinese officials, and had spoken with a number of ski association officials and tour operators who are interested in bringing tourists to Jasper and Edmonton. There is a possibility that some groups will arrive in the coming year.

Information Items

Councillors received , for information purposes, accounts payable lists for the previous two months.

Upcoming Events

- April 18 – All Candidates Forum, 7 pm Jasper Legion
- April 19 – Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, 6 pm Activity Centre
- April 19 – Daycare Open House, 6 pm
- April 24 – Priority Setting Workshop
- April 26 – Communities in Bloom meeting, 10 am, ESB
- May 2 – Reuse It Centre opening
- May 8 – Chamber meeting Pyramid Lake Resort

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

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 Mayor

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 Chief Administrative Officer