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| Minutes | of the regular meeting of Council of the Municipality of Jasper held Tuesday, July 17, 2012 in the meeting room of the Emergency Services Building. | | |
| Present | Mayor Richard Ireland Councillor Brian Skehill Councillor Mike Day | Deputy Mayor Dwain Wacko Councillor Brenda Zinck Councillor Rico Damota | |
| Absent | Councillor Gilbert Wall | | |
| Also present | Peter Waterworth CAO Alice Lettner, Dir. Finance & Administration Janet Cooper, Env. Stewardship Coordinator Martha Bell, Human Resources Manager Kathleen Waxer, Dir. Community & Family Services Robson Fletcher, The Fitzhugh reporter Sgt. Dave Maludzinski, RCMP | | |
| Call to Order | The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. | | |
| Additions to Agenda | None | | |
| Approval of Agenda #144/12 | MOTION by Councillor Zinck – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for today’s meeting as presented. | | |
| | FOR 6 councillors | AGAINST 0 councillors | CARRIED |
| Approval of Minutes #145/12 | MOTION by Councillor Day – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 3, 2012 as presented. | | |
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| Presentation RCMP Statistics | Council received a presentation from Sgt. Dave Maludzinski on the RCMP statistics for the second quarter of this year commencing April 1 to June 30. Sgt. Maludzinski advised that, although property crimes are down over the previous quarter, members are now focusing now on impaired driving, as well as substance abuse, vandalism and disturbances in the core area. In responding to a request from Deputy Mayor Wacko, Sgt. Maludzinski advised that acts of vandalism recently observed in the 100 and 200 blocks on Patricia Street, although outside the core area, probably originate in the downtown core. He advised that members do loops around the town, ensuring a visible presence. Councillor Damota congratulated Sgt. Maludzinski on his 25 years of service with the RCMP. Mayor Ireland invited Sgt. Maludzinski to forward any concerns or topics of interest to Council so that they may be present to RCMP officials at the AUMA convention in September. Council also thanked Sgt. Maludzinski for this summer’s Red Serge presence in the downtown area. | | |
| Business Arising | None | | |
| Discussions with Public | None | | |
| Department Reports Env. St/ship Coord. | Council received a report from Environmental Stewardship Coordinator Janet Cooper which highlighted recent events such as the Enviro Fair, Stewardship Day, Bike Town, Edible Weed Walk, and Environmental Stewardship Awards. Mrs. Cooper reported that the Reuse It Centre has been operating for two months with Tony Mastrianni doing a great job managing the Centre. Mrs. Cooper also reported on another successful Canada Day pancake breakfast using the rent-a-plate programme. Parks Day will take place Saturday, July 21. Mayor Ireland requested an update on where we are with the implementation of the waste management strategy. | | |
| Finance & Admin | Council received a written finance and administration report from Finance and Administration Director Alice Lettner. Mrs. Lettner advised that the collection of taxes has been going very well with a good repay rate from residents. Variances in budget were review with all staff. At this point, capital projects are on target. Residents will be encouraged to use the monthly payment programme. The utility bill newsletter will be used to promote the monthly payment option to residents. | | |
| Human Resources | Council received a written report from Human Resources Manager Martha Bell. Mrs. Bell reported that a tender will be posted on the Alberta Purchasing Connection this week for companies to bid on a structural review process to be conducted by the Municipality this year. Also included in Mrs. Bell’s report were recent staffing changes in the Municipality. | | |
| Community & Family Services | a report from Community and Family Services Director Kathleen Waxer, who is lobbying different organizations to obtain funding for the continuation of the community based seniors’ programmes. The pilot project was part of a government policy, and the Municipality had the right set up to demonstrate the value of the programme. Jasper has good roots and it was a bit painful to see it go. Mrs. Waxer advised that a Social | | |

Policy Framework discussion will be held on July 30 at the Chateau Jasper. Mrs. Waxer is hoping that lots of seniors will come out and demonstrate that these services are needed.

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| Bylaw Summary | Council received, for information purposes, a summary of bylaws currently in force in the Municipality, and those in their various stages of readings. | | | | | | |
| Bylaw #161 FOIP 1 st reading #146/12 | MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council read, for the first time, Bylaw #161, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the Province of Alberta, in relation to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and to set fees thereunder. <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <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: center;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table> | FOR | AGAINST | | 6 councillors | 0 councillors | CARRIED |
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| Notice – RFD The Skinny | Council received a Request for Decision from Director Kathleen Waxer, requesting that, at the August 7, 2012 regular meeting, Council approve the Jasper Community Team's plan to produce the Skinny in a simplified format. Council discussed the request but felt that Council's approval is not needed as The Skinny is a publication of the Jasper Community Team, not one of the Municipality's. | | | | | | |
| #147/12 | MOTION by Councillor Day – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, at the August 7, 2012 regular meeting, Council will be requested to note the Jasper Community Team's plan to produce the Skinny in a simplified format. <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <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: center;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table> | FOR | AGAINST | | 6 councillors | 0 councillors | CARRIED |
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| Notice – Appt of committee member to Env. St/ship Advisory Cmtee #148/12 | MOTION by Councillor Zinck – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, at the August regular meeting, Council will be requested to appoint Sandy Cox to the Environmental Stewardship Advisory Committee effective upon appointment and to conclude December 31, 2013. <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <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: center;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table> | FOR | AGAINST | | 6 councillors | 0 councillors | CARRIED |
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| Notice – Proposed Policy B-019 Twinning/Sister Cmty Relationships #149/12 | MOTION by Councillor Skehill – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, at the August 7, 2012 regular meeting, Council will be requested to approve a policy governing twinning/sister community relationships. <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <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: center;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table> | FOR | AGAINST | | 6 councillors | 0 councillors | CARRIED |
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| Request from Wickenburg, AZ for a twinning rel. | CAO Peter Waterworth advised Council that if the above policy is approved, it would govern the possible twinning between Jasper and Wickenburg for the purpose of promoting Highway 93. | | | | | | |
| GAER | Mayor Ireland brought Council up to date on the future of the Grande Alberta Economic Region, and advised that the executive committee will look at options for dissolution which will be presented at the AGM in September. Mayor Ireland indicated that recent funding cuts make it difficult to conjure up advantages. Also, the focus on tourism isn't of great benefit to all communities. Benefits of membership are slim for some. GAER has sufficient budget for the balance of the current fiscal year, but it appears that the committee will be winding down its affairs during the coming months. Mayor Ireland advised that the committee has been useful from a networking perspective, and some discussion took place during the recent meeting of possibly creating a Mayors' association to address issues that would benefit communities from a regional approach. | | | | | | |
| Councillors' Reports | Councillors reported on various meetings, workshops, and conferences attended recently, including Community Futures, library construction, housing, and Communities in Bloom. Council commended Gord Hutton on his project management skills during the construction of the new Library/Cultural Centre. | | | | | | |
| Information Items | Mayor Ireland advised that he and Yvonne McNabb had recently met with Alberta Special Olympics representatives to discuss the possibility of forming a Special Olympics programme in Jasper to support local athletes. Further information will be available at a future Council meeting. | | | | | | |
| Upcoming Events | July 21, 2012 – Secret Garden Tour July 21, 2012 – Parks Day July 30 – Social Policy Framework – Chateau Jasper July 30 – Incorporation Day | | | | | | |
| Adjournment | There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Mayor at 3:42 p.m. | | | | | | |

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer