

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council of the Municipality of Jasper held Tuesday, November 17, 2015 in the meeting room of the Emergency Services Building.

Present Deputy Mayor Helen Kelleher-Empey Councillor Brian Nesbitt
 Councillor Gilbert Wall Councillor Rico Damota
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Absent Mayor Richard Ireland

Also present Mark Fercho, CAO
 Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration
 Bruce Thompson, Director of Operations
 Martha Fleming, Human Resources Manager
 Janet Cooper, Environmental Stewardship Coordinator and Recorder
 Nicole Veerman, Editor, The Fitzhugh
 no observers

Call to Order The Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

Additions None

Approval of Agenda #270/15 MOTION by Councillor Arsenault – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of November 17, 2015 as presented.
 FOR 6 councillors AGAINST 0 councillors CARRIED

Approval of Minutes #271/15 MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the November 3, 2015 regular meeting as presented.
 FOR 6 councillors AGAINST 0 councillors CARRIED

Presentations None

Business arising No business arose from the minutes of the November 3, 2017 regular meeting.

Discussions with the public None

Department Reports Enviro. Stewardship Council received the written report of the Environmental Stewardship Coordinator for information purposes. In her report, Janet Cooper highlighted development of the 2016 work plan, fall promotion of compost, ESAC board position openings, and recent public events and educational tours.

Department Reports Operations Council received the written report of the Operations Director for information purposes. In his report, Bruce Thompson highlighted work items with the roads and fleet, waste management, water and sewer, facility maintenance and grounds work. An update was given on status of the 2015 capital projects. Councillor Wacko enquired about changing the timer settings on the traffic lights at Connaught Drive and Hazel Ave.

Councillor Nesbitt asked what work will be done to the Centennial Park playing field for the upcoming 2016 season in advance of major work that will be done in 2017. Bruce Thompson replied that rugby will not be played on this field in the spring of 2016 and low areas will be filled in especially around sprinkler heads to improve safety. Improvements will be made to satisfy Soccer Alberta that the field is safe for the 2016 season.

Department Reports Human Resources	Council received the written report of the Human Resources Manager for information purposes. In her report, Martha Fleming highlighted new hires and appointments and leaves of absence. There has not been much turnover in past months. Details were given on the Alberta Health and Safety conference that the Manager attended. There were many sessions on the importance of mental health of employees and how it affects the health of an organization.						
Department Reports Finance & Admin	Council received the written report of the Director of Finance and Administration for information purposes. In her report, Natasha Malenchak highlighted the presentation of the draft 2016 Operational and Capital budget. The Director explained highs and lows in current revenues and expenditures, the trial balance and the balance sheet. The draft budget for the municipal library, Culture and Recreation, Operations and Environmental Stewardship will be presented to the public on Monday, November 30. Budgets for Victim Services, Community and Family Services and Protective Services will be presented on Tuesday, December 1 st .						
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.						
Notice – 2016 Operating and Capital Budget	Council received a Request for Decision to approve the 2016 Interim Operating and Capital Budget, along with utility rates, as presented at the regular Council meeting on December 15, 2015.						
Notice – 2016 Council Meeting Calendar	Council received a Request for Decision to approve the 2016 Council Meeting Calendar including October 25 as the Organizational Meeting date, and November 28 and 29, 2016 as the 2017 Budget Meeting dates, as presented, at the regular Council meeting on December 15, 2015.						
Jasper Rodeo Request for Financial Support	The Jasper Heritage Rodeo Association requested that Council approve a request for \$5000 from the Economic Development Fund to cover a shortfall for the payment of bleachers. No motion was made as all Councillors agreed that the request did not meet the criteria of the application. The policy states that Economic Development Funds cannot be used for retroactive funding. CAO Mark Fercho will follow up with a response.						
Asset Management Plan 2015 #272/15	<p>MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Municipality of Jasper Strategic Asset Management Study as the first step in meeting Council's Strategic Priority to ensure the maximum service life of existing infrastructure, and Council's specific goal of "developing a long-term asset management plan using lifecycle assessment".</p> <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: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		6 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED
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Asset Management Plan - implementation #273/15	<p>MOTION by Councillor Arsenault – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to begin implementation of the Strategic Asset Management Study and return to Council for direction or to provide updates as required.</p> <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: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		6 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED
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Correspondence	none						
Other new business	none						
Councillors' Reports	Councillor Arsenault attended the 'No Stone Left Alone' ceremony and was pleased to see the participation of children.						

Councillor Wall attended the West Yellowhead Regional Waste Authority meeting and noted Anne Auriat has been hired as the Regional Coordinator.

Councillor Wacko noted on the AMPEEE website that the Liberal party had promised \$25 million in funding to Parks Canada should they be elected.

Councillor Wall and Councillor Kelleher-Empey will be attending the upcoming Community Futures meeting.

Information
Items

Upcoming events included the November 30 and December 1 Open Houses for the 2016 Budget. The Chamber Christmas Party will be on December 4 at Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge and the Community Christmas Party will be on December 18. There will be a NETMA social this Thursday, Nov. 19. The Movember Gala will be at Sawridge Hotel on Nov. 21st.

Adjournment
#274/15

MOTION by Councillor Wall – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 2:43 pm.

FOR

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Mayor

Municipal Manager