Minutes of the regular meeting of the Municipal Council November 15, 2016 in the Jasper Library

and Cultural Centre.

Mayor Richard Ireland Councillor Helen Kelleher-Empey Present

Councillor Gilbert Wall Councillor Dwain Wacko

Councillor Brian Nesbitt

Councillor Vonna Arsenault Deputy Mayor Rico Damota Absent

Also Present Mark Fercho, CAO Beryl Cahill, Admin. Officer

Yvonne McNabb, Dir., Culture & Rec Janet Cooper, Coord., Env. St/ship

Natasha Malenchak, Dir., Finance Marianne Garrah, IOTAD

Paul Clark, The Fitzhugh

Call to Order The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Additions to Agenda

None

Approval of Agenda #160/16

MOTION by Councillor Wall - BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for

the regular meeting of Tuesday, November 15, 2016 as presented.

**FOR AGAINST** 

> 5 councillors 0 councillors Carried

Approval of Minutes #161/16

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the

minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, November 1, 2016 as presented.

**AGAINST FOR** 

5 councillors 0 councillors Carried

Presentation Arts Policy

Council received a presentation from Marianne Garrah on an arts policy for the Municipality. Council members were interested in the idea of an arts policy, but would like to have more information, especially samples of other communities' arts policies. This will be brought to a Council committee meeting for further consideration once more information is available.

Ms. Garrah left the meeting at 1:46 p.m.

**Business** Arising

No business arose from the minutes of the November 1st, 2016 meeting.

Department Reports Env. St/ship Report

Council received the written report from the Environmental Stewardship Coordinator. In her report, Janet Cooper highlighted Waste Reduction Week, the Jasper Residential Energy Efficiency Rebate programme, Campground Recycling Renewal Plan, Right to a Healthy Environment, Communities in Bloom, CN EcoConnexions Community Tree

Planning Programme, and Bon Accord-Dark Sky Community.

Human Resources Report

Council received the written report from the Human Resources Manager. In her report, Martha Fleming highlighted recruitment and hiring activities in Protective Services, Fitness & Aquatic Centre, Culture and Recreation, Community & Family Services, Finance and Administration, leaves, and other H/R activities.

Finance & Admin. Report

Council received the written report from the Finance and Administration Director. In her report, Natasha Malenchak highlighted recent activities accomplished including the Interim Audit, and the completion of office renovations. Also included in her report was the schedule for the upcoming budget discussions, ID 12 Funding received, and various training sessions recently attended. Also included in the report was the Balance Sheet Detail, Trial Balance Summary, Council Expenditure Overview, Departmental Revenue Overview and Departmental Expenditure Overview.

The full reports can be viewed on the Municipality's website – www.jasper-alberta.com

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 -Policy D-010 Cmty Use of Mun. Facilities

Policy D-010 presently lists individual rooms for community use and does not have the proper bylaw reference, nor the location of rates and fees documentation. Administration has adjusted the policy to reflect all Municipal facilities, and have provided the bylaw reference for fees and charges, and the website where fees and charges are listed.

Changes to this policy are presented by way of Notice, and will return to Council at the December 6, 2017 regular meeting for adoption, amendment or rejection.

Notice -Transfer of To Capital for Library/

Council received notice that, at the December 6, 2017 regular meeting, Council will be requested to agree to transfer unspent operational funds from the Library Funds from Op Utility budget to capital projects for the purpose of signage at the Library/Cultural Centre.

Signage

Cultural Centre Presently, there is no allocated budget for the purpose of Library/Cultural Centre signage. The facility does not have a main entrance sign, inside directional signage, proper washroom signage or proper room signage. This year's Library/Cultural Centre budget was an estimate of the total year's expenses and has proven that utilities was over-estimated for 2016.

Natural Gas **Purchase** 

Administration asked Council to waive the requirement for two weeks' notice to purchase natural gas in view of implementation of a Carbon Gas Tax as of January 1st, 2017. If the Municipality can secure a fixed price contract in or around the \$2.80/Gj, we can essentially keep its budget costs flat for 2017, despite the Carbon Tax introduction.

Waiver of **Notice** #162/16

MOTION by Councillor Wacko - BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to waive the two week notice period for the contract for the purchase of natural gas.

> **FOR AGAINST**

0 councillors 5 councillors Carried

Purchase of Natural Gas #163/16

MOTION by Councillor Wacko - BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize

Administration to enter into a one or two year contract for the purchase of natural gas.

**FOR AGAINST** 

5 councillors 0 councillors Carried

Notice -**ATCO** 10 year Franchise Agreement

Council were advised that the Municipality's 10 year agreement with ATCO Gas, that includes franchise fees, expires in 2016. There is a one-year continuation after expiry to allow for renewal negotiations with no change under the existing agreement. This item is presented by way of Notice at today's meeting, and will return again at the December 6, 2017 Council meeting for adoption, amendment or rejection.

Waiver of Notice Mountain Bike Skills Park

A waiver of notice is being requested for the Mountain Bike Skills Park in order for their funding request to be included in the upcoming Budget discussions.

MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt - BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to waive the two week notice period for the Mountain Bike Skills Park Funding Request.

5 councillors

Funding Request #164/16 FOR **AGAINST** 

Mountain Bike Skills Park Funding Request #165/16

MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt - BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree as follows:

- That Council approves the inclusion of a 2017 capital budget submission for the provision of seasonal water (non-domestic use for park maintenance only) to the Mountain Bike Skills Park for \$35,000;
- 2. That Council approve the inclusion of a capital budget submission of \$10,000 for the provision of signs, entrance fencing and garbage receptacles;
- 3. That Council approve the inclusion of a \$5,000 annual contribution to the Jasper Cycling Association (for the provision of maintenance, unspent funds would be for improvements) of the Park in the 2017 operating budget submission.

FOR **AGAINST** 

5 councillors Carried 0 councillors

0 councillors

Carried

Waiver of Notice

Strategic A waiver of notice is being requested for the Strategic Priorities Plan Mid-term revision Priorities Plan in order for the Plan to be included in the upcoming Budget discussions.

Mid-term Revision #166/16

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree to waive the two week notice in order to include the mid-term revised Strategic

Priorities Progress Report in the upcoming Budget discussions. **FOR AGAINST** 

> 5 councillors 0 councillors Carried

> > **AGAINST**

MOTION by Councillor Wall – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the mid-term Mid-term Strategic revised Strategic Priorities 2013-2017 dated November 2016. Priorities Plan FOR

#167/16 5 councillors 0 councillors Carried

Correspondence

tion or action

For Considera- Mayor Ireland indicated that he had received 8 or 9 letters related to the provision of midwife services in the Yellowhead County. CAO to contact the group and get clarification.

Other new Business	None			
Councillors Reports	Councillor Wall advised that Glen McGrath is leaving his position at the Alpine Summit Seniors Lodge and the process to replace him is ongoing, and should be completed soon.			
	Mayor Ireland indicated that, with some other councillors, he attended the Chamber lunch meeting recently, and was happy to hear the emphasis by incoming President Rusty Noble on the advocacy role for the Chamber. The Mayor also advised that he had attended an event at the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge to welcome delegates of the Canada West Foundation (international tourist suppliers).			
	Councillor Nesbitt represented the Mayor at the November 7 <sup>th</sup> No Stone Left Alone event at the Jasper Cemetery. Councillor Wacko also attended. Councillor Nesbitt also indicated that he will not be able to attend the FCSS conference in Edmonton from November 23-25.			
Upcoming Events	As listed on the agenda package.			
In Camera Personnel (FOIP) #168/16	MOTION by Councillor 3:27 p.m.	Nesbitt – BE IT RESO FOR 5 councillors	OLVED THAT Council mo AGAINST O councillors	ve in camera at Carried
Council Reverts to Open mtg #169/15	MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council revert to open meeting at 3:52 p.m.  FOR AGAINST 5 councillors 0 councillors Carried			

Adjournment #170/16

> Mayor Chief Administrative Officer

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Tuesday, November 15, 2016 be adjourned at 3:53 p.m.
FOR AGAINST

0 councillors

5 councillors

Carried