

Committee-of-the-Whole meeting

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

Present Councillors Brian Nesbitt (Chair), Dwain Wacko, Gilbert Wall, Mayor Richard Ireland

Absent Councillors Vonna Arsenault, Rico Damota, Helen Kelleher-Empey

Also present Mark Fercho, Beryl Cahill, Christine Nadon, Natasha Malenchak, Greg Van Tighem, Amy West (Assistant Deputy Fire Chief, Matt Staneland, Paul Clark Fitzhugh

Call to order The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Councillor Nesbitt.

Additions & Approval of Agenda Additions to agenda: Brief introduction of new Assistant Deputy Fire Chief FCM conference, Ottawa
Motion by Councillor Wacko that the agenda for today's meeting, with the above additions, be approved. Carried

Introduction Fire Chief Greg Van Tighem introduced Amy West as the new Assistant Deputy Fire Chief. Ms. West indicated that she is from Picture Butte, and is looking forward to working in Jasper.

Arts Policy Marianne Garrah was scheduled to attend the meeting and speak to an Arts Policy. Ms. Garrah was not able to attend today's meeting.

Business Arising CAO Mark Fercho has spoken with RCMP Sgt. Rick Bidaisee and requested that the Sgt. Return to Council once there is any further development on the plans For the new detachment. The CAO to find out what the decision was on rezoning.

Bike Skills Park Matt Staneland, representing the Bike Skills Park was in attendance at the meeting and provided Council with an update on fundraising. He advised that the group has been building a social media campaign and has raised over \$13,000 dollars. Will be applying for grants and would like the Municipality to have a stake in this.

Council discussed some details including water line, signage, vehicle access, garbage receptacles, and how garbage collection would occur. Fencing, and proper maintenance of features such as jumps, was also discussed.

The CAO indicated that he will attempt to have some estimates ready in time for the November 15 2016 regular meeting.

ATCO Gas Agreement CAO advised that the renewal steps for a proposed new agreement with ATCO Gas are underway. AUMA created a new template and our law firm has reviewed the document. Mr. Fercho has talked to other municipalities and thinks we have a fairly clear and decent agreement. Council discussed carbon tax and the impact on the Municipality, as well as how Council would like to look at recovery of these costs. The

CAO explained the ATCO rider and the forecast on franchise fees. CAO to look at options on the carbon tax issue and will report back to Council at next meeting.

Strategic Plan	The CAO suggested Council review the mid-term report on the Strategic Plan and then if Council is comfortable with it, we can use it as part of the Budget process. Various items were raised for discussion including the library facility and electric plugins, as well as LEED building policy review, social media in communications, relationship with Banff and Canmore, council remuneration review, and the Municipal Code of Conduct, etc. The CAO will revise the plan as discussed, and bring it to the November 15 2016 regular meeting with a request to waive notice.
Recess	The Chairman called for a five minute recess at 10:48 a.m.
Meeting Reconvened	The meeting was reconvened at 10:53 a.m.
Budget 2017	Director of Finance Natasha Malenchak discussed with Council the process taking shape for the upcoming Budget Open House on November 28 and 29 th in the Council Chambers of the Library and Cultural Centre.
Policy D-010 Use of Municipal Facilities	Culture and Recreation Director Yvonne McNabb receive this item at the November 15 2016 regular meeting by way of notice, and then at the December 6 th meeting for decision. Minor changes are being made to the administrative procedures so the policy statement must be changed for consistency.
Councillor Reports	Councillor Wacko attended a recent Culture and Recreation board meeting. Councillor Nesbitt advised that although he had hoped to attend the upcoming FCSS conference in Edmonton, he now may not be able to attend. Councillor Wacko would like to attend the upcoming FCM convention in Ottawa. Mayor Ireland and Councillor Wall may also attend the FCM conference.
Upcoming Events	List as shown in the agenda package with the addition of Remembrance Day on Remembrance Day on November 11 – Mayor to lay wreath, and Moonlight Madness on November 18 th .
Nomination of Chair for next Cmtee mtg	Councillors nominated Councillor Kelleher-Empy to chair the next Committee meeting scheduled for November 22. Mayor Ireland requested that the Jasper Municipal Leasehold Assets Society be placed on the next committee agenda to discuss the continuation of the Society.
Adjournment	Motion by Councillor Wacko that, there being no further business, the committee meeting be adjourned at 11:39 a.m.