

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, August 15, 2017 | 1:30 p.m.
 Council Chambers, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Rico Damota, Councillors Brian Nesbitt, Helen Kelleher-Empey and Dwain Wacko

Absent Councillor Gilbert Wall

Also Present Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer
 Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager
 Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator
 Doug Olthof, Local Immigration Partnership Coordinator
 Bruce Thompson, Director of Operations
 Yvonne McNabb, Director of Culture and Recreation
 Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance and Administration
 Greg Van Tighem, Director of Protective Services
 Four observers

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

Add. to Agenda #149/17 MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt to delete the following item from today’s regular meeting agenda:
 - 13.1 Deliberative Matter (FOIP)

FOR	AGAINST	
5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of Agenda #150/17 MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, August 15, 2017 as amended.

FOR	AGAINST	
5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of Minutes #151/17 MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the August 1, 2017 regular Council meeting as presented.

FOR	AGAINST	
5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Presentations None

Business Arising Councillor Nesbitt inquired about a response to Susan D’Heer, who recently sent a letter to Council regarding a contained wildfire on the Pyramid Bench. Mr. Fercho replied that a response letter will be sent this week.

Department reports: Protective Services Council received the written report of the Director of Protective Services. Director Greg Van Tighem highlighted emergency responses, full department responses, command responses, fire prevention inspections, meetings, trainings, events, and finances. The full report is available on the Municipality’s website. Council

discussed medical assistance calls and a decrease in motor vehicle related fatalities this year.

Operations	Council received the written report of the Director of Operations. In his report, Director Bruce Thompson highlighted several ongoing projects, including paving work, tree removal and replanting, the sports field use policy and best management practices, and Centennial Park reconstruction. The full report is available on the Municipality’s website. Council discussed playground maintenance, the sports field use policy and the future of three popular tobogganing hills within town. Mr. Thompson confirmed meetings are being held regarding the tobogganing hills and an update will return to Council at a future meeting.						
Community and Family Services	Council received the written report of the Director of Community and Family Services. Local Immigration Partnership Coordinator Doug Olthof presented the report on behalf of Director Kathleen Waxer. The report highlighted several projects and events from April and May 2017. The report also included childcare service enrolment numbers and results from a Wildflowers Childcare food service survey. The full report is available on the Municipality’s website. Council discussed costs associated with the recent meal program at the Wildflowers Childcare Centre.						
Finance and Administration	Council received the written report of the Department of Finance and Administration. In her report, Director Natasha Malenchak highlighted accomplished activities, upcoming news and the budget process. The report also included the operating budget revenues and expenses, and Council expenses.						
Culture and Recreation	Council received the written report of the Department of Culture and Recreation. In her report, Director Yvonne McNabb highlighted updates regarding facilities and equipment, programs and services, and gifts in kind. The report also included a summary score sheet for the Municipality’s recent health and safety audit and a month-end report for the Fitness and Aquatic Centre. The full report is available on the Municipality’s website. Council discussed plumbing issues at the Connaught Street Public washrooms and playground installations.						
Bylaw Summary	Council received a summary of bylaws currently in force in the Municipality, and those in their various stages of readings.						
RFD – Non-Standard Crosswalk Policy	Council directed Administration to make amendments to the wording of the policy and discussed the possibility of an application form to accompany the policy. Council deferred making a decision on the matter until the next regular meeting on September 5.						
RFD – Jasper Yellowhead Museum & Archives #152/17	<p>MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve funding in the amount of \$49,000 for the Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives as a part of the 2017 operating budget.</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 150px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FOR</td> <td style="text-align: center;">AGAINST</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">5 Councillors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 Councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Recess	Mayor Ireland called a recess at 2:51 p.m. until 2:58 p.m.		
RFD – Council Remuneration – post 2017 Election #153/17	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve per diem and meeting rates as recommended, except for the following amendment: - Meeting rates are categorized by less than three hours or more than three hours.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#154/17	MOTION by Councillor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to include \$40,000 in Council’s 2018 budget for administrative support to Mayor, Council and the CAO.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#155/17	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the addition of reasonable childcare expenses to councillors while performing Council duties.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#156/17	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey — BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve an allowance of \$2,000 over the four year term, allowing individual councillors to have a new computer allowance up front with receipts or take an allowance of \$500 per year.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#157/17	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rescind the D-005 Laptop Computer Policy and Procedures.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#158/17	MOTION by Deputy Mayor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the revised Council member compensation and benefits for the following 2017-2021 term, separate from the Mayor’s compensation package, as presented.		
	FOR 4 Councillors	AGAINST 1 Councillor	CARRIED
#159/17	MOTION by Deputy Mayor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the first option of an annual salary of \$57,000 plus per diem and meeting pay for the Mayor’s compensation.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess:	Mayor Ireland called a recess at 4:05 until 4:10 p.m.		

Notice – Naming of the Exchange Lands Council gave notice that a request for decision regarding the naming of the Exchange Lands will be presented at the September 5 regular meeting. Council also directed Administration to add several new suggestions to the list of proposed names. The matter will also return for discussion at the August 22 committee of the whole meeting.

Correspondence OUT Jasper seeks support for Rainbow Crosswalk In addition to the Non-Standard Crosswalk Policy and Procedures, the original letter from OUT Jasper seeking support for a Rainbow Crosswalk was included on the agenda.

Other new bus. A discussion regarding Council participation on boards and committees for Council orientation will be added to the August 22 committee of the whole agenda.

Councillor Reports Councillor Kelleher-Empy will attend a Trans-Canada Yellowhead Highway Association strategic priorities review meeting. Councillor Kelleher-Empy also noted Community Futures is working with Yellowhead County to host open farm days on August 19 and 20.

Councillor Nesbitt attended a Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives meeting, noting that the society is working on new book keeping tactics. Councillor Nesbitt also attended a Local Organizing Committee meeting for the Tour of Alberta.

Mayor Ireland attended an AUMA meeting, noting draft amendments to the Municipal Government Act was discussed.

Upcoming Events Council received a list of upcoming events.

Adjournment #160/17 MOTION by Deputy Mayor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, there being no further business, the regular meeting of August 15, 2017 be adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

FOR
5 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer