

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, October 16, 2018 | 1:30 p.m.
 Council Chambers, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Rico Damota, Councillors Paul Butler, Jenna McGrath, Bert Journault and Scott Wilson and Helen Kelleher-Empey

Also present Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer
 Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager
 Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance and Administration
 Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator
 Yvonne McNabb, Director of Culture and Recreation
 Gord Hutton, Acting Director of Operations
 Craig Gilbert, the Fitzhugh

Call to order Mayor Ireland called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Additions to the agenda #198/18 MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT council add the following items to today’s agenda:
 -6.3 Operations report
 -10.2 AUMA advocacy for cannabis funding revenue

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of agenda #199/18 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED THAT council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, October 16, 2018 as amended.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of minutes #200/18 MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED THAT council approve the minutes of the October 2, 2018 regular council meeting as presented.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Director Reports: Finance & Administration Council received a report from the Director of Finance and Administration, which provided updates on the budget process; the telecommunication capital project; and funding announcements. Council inquired about carry forward items. Administration explained projects can be carried forward when approved capital funds have not been expended in a specific budget year.

Culture & Recreation Council received a report from the Director of Culture and Recreation, which provided updates on facilities and projects. It was noted the first event held at Commemoration Park (the Jasper Folk Festival) was a success. A report regarding the festival is expected at a future meeting. Council also reiterated its interest in a

report on the Rib Fest, which was held in the Activity Centre parking lot last August. That report is expected at the next committee of the whole meeting.

The peer health and safety external audit was also discussed. Administration is considering hiring a consultant rather than participating in the peer audit program in the future. External audits must be conducted every three years.

Operations Council received a report from the Acting Director of Operations, which provided updates on complete and ongoing projects, including the restoration of commemorative benches and signage for the library.

In response to questions asked by council at a previous meeting, Mr. Hutton noted that a plan to install a wayfinding sign on the white rock in the parking lot near the Connaught Street public washrooms is moving forward.

Recess Mayor Ireland called a recess from 2:50 pm to 2:58 pm.

Bylaw summary Council received a summary of bylaws currently in force in the Municipality.

RFD – Aquatic Centre Slide Replacement #201/18 MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the replacement of the aquatic centre slide with a design similar to the existing slide.

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7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Councillor Wilson requested a project schedule and regular updates as this item moves forward. It was also noted the new slide should have the ability to be grandfathered into any safety regulation changes in the future.

Information Report: S-Block Rezoning and Development Mr. Fercho presented an information report on the S-Block rezoning and development to create more services and storage space in town. The project was given a cost estimate and included in the 2018 capital budget discussions. The project was put into the “budget parking lot” during budget discussions earlier this year, awaiting the outcome of the Transportation Master Plan and recommendations for parking. If the project is supported by council at the capital budget 2019 stage, the next steps are to include the environmental impact analysis or other regulatory processes required by the Municipality of Jasper and Parks Canada to issue any leases, permits or letter of permission for the development and use of the site.

Mayor Ireland inquired about the possibility of maximizing the current space in S-Block.

Correspondence: Permanent Stage Resident Sheena Thomas wrote a letter in opposition of a permanent stage in Commemoration Park. Council reiterated the importance of public consultation for community projects. Administration noted a consultant was hired, during the

previous council's term, to conduct a study on the best locations for a permanent stage.

AUMA press release

Council received a press release from AUMA regarding the provincial cannabis revenue sharing deal under the Municipal Cannabis Transition Program. The AUMA says the deal will financially hurt municipalities and is urging municipalities to reach out to provincial and federal counterparts. Council agreed it was in favour of sending a letter to the appropriate parties.

Councillor reports

Councillor Kelleher-Empey attended a Community Futures conference, where it was noted the fastest growing entrepreneurs are within Indigenous communities. Nancy Robbins, the Community Futures West Yellowhead General Manager, was presented with the Innovation Award.

Councillor Kelleher-Empey also noted Community Futures is hosting a Women in West Yellowhead conference on November 7 and 8 at the Sawridge Inn.

Councillor Mcgrath attended a Collaborative Action Team meeting and a Jasper Community Team meeting.

Councillor Journault attended a Jasper-Yellowhead Museum meeting. Councillor Journault also noted the Museum is hosting the next NETMA meeting on October 16 from 5 to 7 pm.

Councillor Butler will attend the Evergreens Foundation's annual capital and strategic planning session, which will focus on the expansion of the Evergreen's Hinton facility and a new facility in the Evansburg area. Councillor Butler will also attend, in his capacity as an Evergreens Foundation board member, the Canadian Rural and Remote Housing and Homelessness Symposium in Canmore.

Councillor Wilson attended a Culture and Recreation meeting and will attend, in his capacity as a Community Futures board member, economic resilience training for community leaders.

Mayor Ireland reminded councillors to report on their committee and board preferences before next week's organizational meeting.

Upcoming events

Council received a list of upcoming events.

Adjournment #202/18

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT, there being no further business, the regular meeting of October 16, 2018 be adjourned at 3:58 pm.

FOR
7 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer