

Municipality of Jasper  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**  
Tuesday, February 26, 2019 | 9:30 am  
Council Chambers, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Jenna McGrath, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empey, Bert Journault and Paul Butler
Absent	Councillors Scott Wilson and Rico Damota
Also Present	Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance and Administration Yvonne McNabb, Director of Culture and Recreation Janet Cooper, Environmental Stewardship Coordinator John Greathead, Director of Operations Marianne Garrah, Habitat for the Arts Dave Baker, Habitat for the Arts Craig Gilbert, The Fitzhugh Kirsty Boisvert, Saving Mountains of Plastic
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor McGrath called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.
Additions to the Agenda	MOTION by Deputy Mayor McGrath to add the following item to today's agenda: - 12.2 Deliberative Matter – Strategic Priorities <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span>
Approval of Agenda	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey to approve the agenda for February 26, 2019 as amended. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span>
Approval of Minutes	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2019 meeting as presented. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span>
Business Arising from Minutes	Mr. Fercho confirmed the Culture and Recreation services and facilities review has not gone out for tender, but is expected to in the next few weeks.
Brief Updates: Proposed Budget 2019 Summary	Council reviewed the proposed budget summary. Administration provided answers to councillors' questions.
Habitat for the Arts Budget Request	Ms. Garrah and Mr. Baker reiterated Habitat for the Arts' budget request of \$35,000 and provided answers to councillors' questions.
Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy	Mrs. Cooper presented a request for direction regarding a single-use item reduction strategy for Jasper. Councillors indicated they were in favour of administration drafting a bylaw pertaining to single-use plastic bags and broadening the scope of Jasper's single-use reduction strategy in the future. It was noted public engagement regarding the bylaw could be encouraged through the municipal website. Councillors also indicated they were

in favour of July 1, 2019 as a voluntary compliance date for the bylaw and an effective date of January 1, 2020.

A draft bylaw will return for discussion at a future committee of the whole meeting.

Ms. Boisvert of Saving Mountains of Plastic thanked council for its efforts and offered some recommendations on waste reduction strategies.

Recess

Deputy Mayor McGrath called a recess from 10:50 am to 10:57 am.

Correspondence:  
Fireworks in  
Jasper

Council received a follow-up letter from the Jasper Environmental Association regarding fireworks at Jasper events.

Mrs. McNabb will distribute this letter to the members of the Jasper Events and Festivals Committee.

Mr. Fercho noted that the Municipality, along with Parks Canada, permits the use of fireworks at events and provides firefighters to aid with safety, but the events and the requests for firework displays are brought forward by other groups.

Council also received an email from Pattie Pavlov, Manager of the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce, in response to the JEA's letter. Mrs. Pavlov's email noted the firework display at the end of this year's Jasper in January festivities ran for 20 minutes and 25 seconds, which was noted as "exceptional" as it was the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jasper in January. The display is usually 15 to 18 minutes.

Council  
Representation

Deputy Mayor McGrath will attend a Yellowhead Regional Library Board meeting. Deputy Mayor McGrath and Councillor Butler will attend the Jasper Community Housing Update.

Councillors Kelleher-Empey and Journault will attend a Community Futures Board meeting.

Mayor Ireland noted the Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives is hosting a public social.

Upcoming Events

Council received a list of upcoming events.

In Camera

MOTION by Mayor Ireland to move in camera at 11:10 am to discuss agenda items 12.1 and 12.2. CARRIED

Revert to open  
meeting

MOTION by Mayor Ireland to revert to open meeting at 12:38 pm. CARRIED

Adjournment

MOTION by Councillor Butler that, there being no further business, the meeting of February 26, 2019 be adjourned at 12:39 pm. CARRIED