Municipality of Jasper

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 | 1:30 p.m. Quorum Room, Jasper Library and Cultural Centre

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Helen Kelleher-Empey, Councillors Paul

Butler, Bert Journault, Rico Damota, Scott Wilson and Jenna McGrath

Also present Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer

Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Greg Van Tighem, Director of Protective Services Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator

Kathleen Waxer, Director of Community and Family Services

Mike Merilovich, local business owner

Craig Gilbert, the Fitzhugh

Kirsty Boisvert, Saving Mountains of Plastic

Sonja Dickey, local business owner

Kelli Sroka, resident Grace Kohn, resident

Two observers

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

Additions to the

agenda #63/19

item to today's agenda:

- 13.1 In camera: Intergovernmental matter

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council add the following

Approval of agenda #64/19

MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the agenda

for the regular meeting of Tuesday, April 2, 2019 as amended.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Approval of regular minutes #65/19

MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the minutes of the March 19, 2019 regular council meeting as amended:

Rewrite Councillor Butler's budget motion in the regular motion format;

Remove references to "proposed" motions and any lead-in sentences.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Presentations:

Ms. Virtanen and Ms. Shipka of GYPSD were unable to make today's presentation.

GYPSD Protocol The presentation will be rescheduled.

Department reports: Protective Services The Director of Protective Services provided council with recent highlights and updates from the department. Mr. Van Tighem answered questions from councillors.

Community Family Services

The Director of Community and Family Services provided council with recent highlights and updates from the department. Mrs. Waxer answered questions from councillors.

Finance and Administration

The Director of Finance and Administration provided council with recent highlights and updates from the department. Mrs. Malenchak answered questions from councillors.

Recess Mayor Ireland called a recess from 2:46 pm to 2:53 pm.

Bylaw summary Council received a summary of bylaws currently in force and those in various stages of readings in the Municipality.

Councillor Damota

Councillor Damota declared a conflict of interest regarding the Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw; and excused himself from the meeting at 2:59 pm.

Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw - 1st reading #66/19

Prior to voting on this item, council permitted members of the gallery to comment on the Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw.

Mr. Merilovich expressed concerns regarding a lack of public and business consultation pertaining to the bylaw; and expressed concerns that the implementation of this bylaw could become onerous for business owners.

Ms. Kohn noted this item was an important issue that ought to move forward sooner rather than later.

Ms. Sroka brought attention to a recent social media poll, conducted by the Fitzhugh, which indicated the majority of poll participants were in favour of a single-use plastic bag ban.

MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED that council read, for the first time, Bylaw #215: Single-Use Item Regulation, as amended, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to regulate the business of single-use items to reduce the creation of waste and associated municipal costs.

FOR AGAINST 6 Councillors 0 Councillors

CARRIED

A discussion regarding public engagement and the Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw is planned for the next committee of the whole meeting.

Councillor Damota

Councillor Damota returned to the meeting at 3:32 pm.

Info. updates: 2018 Restricted Funds Transfer Ms. Malenchak presented an update on the restricted reserves transfers for the 2018 fiscal year; and answered questions from councillors.

Strategic Priorities – waiver of notice #67/19 MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that council waive the two-week notice period to make a decision on the *Municipality of Jasper Strategic Priorities 2018-2022*.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Strategic Priorities #68/19 MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the *Municipality of Jasper Strategic Priorities 2018-2022* as amended.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

2019 Operating Budget:

Environmental Funding

MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$58,500 for environmental program funding in the 2019 operating budget.

#69/19 FOR

FOR AGAINST
1 Councillor 6 Councillor

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Jasper Municipal Library #70/19 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$5,700 for the Jasper Municipal Library.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Administration full-time position #71/19

MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED that council further amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$25,000 for the administration part-time to full-time request.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 1 Councillor CARRIED

Councillors discussed the merits of options A, B, C and D with respect to the recreation debenture terms.

Operating Budget #72/19

MOTION by Mayor Ireland – BE IT RESOLVED that council further amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to replace the reference of option D with option B.

FOR AGAINST

3 Councillors 4 Councillors DEFEATED

Operating Budget #73/19

MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the base 2019 operating budget as presented including WCB, the recreation debenture first year principal and interest as indicated in option D presented April 2, 2019 and including \$15,000 for Habitat for the Arts, \$5,700 for the Jasper Municipal Library, and \$25,000 for conversion of the administration part-time position to a full-time position.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Meeting extension #74/19

MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that council extend the regular meeting of April 2, 2019 to extend beyond four hours.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

upcoming FCM conference.

Councillor reports Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey, on behalf of Councillor Journault, will attend the

Trans-Canada Yellowhead Highway Association's annual general meeting, and will

attend the Economic Developers Conference. A West Yellowhead Waste

Management Authority meeting has been cancelled.

Upcoming events Council received a list of upcoming events.

In camera #75/19 MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that council move in camera at 5:35 pm to discuss agenda item 13.1.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mr. Fercho was also present for the in camera agenda item to provide

administrative advice.

Revert to open meeting

#76/19

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that council move out of

camera at 5:57 pm.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Adjournment #77/19

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the regular meeting of April 2, 2019 be adjourned at 5:58 pm.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mayor
Chief Administrative Officer