

Municipality of Jasper  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**  
Tuesday, August 13, 2019 | 9:30 am  
Quorum Room, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Bert Journault, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empsey, Paul Butler, Scott Wilson, Rico Damota and Jenna McGrath
Also Present	Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator John Greathead, Director of Operations Ross Derksen, Operations Service Manager Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance and Administration Darrell Savage, Jasper Skate Park Committee Ryan Oxley, SUEZ Paul Nicholls, SUEZ Alistair McLean, Hostelling International Robb Cryder, Hostelling International Fuchsia Dragon, Fitzhugh Two observers
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Journault called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.
Additions to the Agenda	MOTION by Councillor Butler that Council add the following item to today's agenda: - 7.2 Information Report: Traffic Safety Bylaw #216 <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span>
Approval of Agenda	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empsey to approve the agenda for August 13, 2019 as amended. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span>
Approval of Minutes	MOTION by Mayor Ireland to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2019 meeting as presented. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span>
Waste Water Plant Capital	Mr. Oxley and Mr. Nicholls of SUEZ presented an update on the primary clarifier capital improvement project, which revealed that additional repairs were required due to "severe rust and corrosion" on a number of system parts.  Councillors inquired about project costs, repair materials, industry standards and timelines.
HI Jasper Property Tax Exemption Bylaw	Mr. McLean and Mr. Cryder of Hostelling International (HI) requested a delay of the second reading of the Taxation of Hostelling International Property Bylaw and proposed an agreement in lieu of property taxes. The proposed agreement includes potential contributions from HI to the Municipality of Jasper, including temporary housing, annual payments, use of wilderness hostels for local not-for-profit groups, free meeting spaces for not-for-profit groups and an annual donation to some form of bursary.

Mr. McLean noted other positive contributions HI provides to the community, which includes accessible hostels, community partnerships and electric vehicle charging stations.

Councillors reiterated the difficulties the Municipality experiences as a community of 5,000 residents that hosts millions of visitors each year without alternative revenue sources. A second reading of the Taxation of Hostelling International Property Bylaw is scheduled for the next regular meeting.

Recess

Deputy Mayor Journault called a recess from 11:11 am until 11:21 am.

Jasper Skate Park  
Committee  
update

Mr. Savage informed Council that, earlier this year, the St. Paul BMX and Skate Park received a \$361,308 CFEP Grant. Mr. Savage inquired if the Municipality of Jasper could provide matching funding for the Jasper Skate Park Committee to apply for a large stream CFEP Grant.

Councillors indicated Mr. Savage's request might be more appropriate as part of the next budgeting process. It was noted the St. Paul BMX and Skate Park received its funding from the former NDP Government.

AUMA's  
Measuring  
Municipal  
Inclusion Grant

Mrs. Riddell explained this request is before council because the project is unique and new to the Municipality of Jasper. The funding is intended to support municipal governments to be leaders in the implementation of policies and practices that will create an inclusive workplace.

Examples of what the funding could be used for include training opportunities and inclusive signage. The item will return for notice at the next regular meeting.

Traffic Safety  
Bylaw #216

Councillors discussed various aspects of the Traffic Safety Bylaw and noted the bylaw does not currently reflect the motion passed by Council "to reduce speed limits in town to 40 km/h within town boundaries with the exception of school and playground zones, which will be designated as defined in the Alberta Guidelines for School and Playground Zones and Areas".

Councillors indicated this item should be deferred to allow for more discussion and consideration.

Recess

Deputy Mayor Journault called a recess from 12:25 pm until 12:39 pm.

Correspondence:  
Speed Limit  
Change

Resident Terry Lanigan expressed his opinion on speed limit proposals in town, noting he believes 30 km/h is too slow, while 40 km/h is favourable.

Stars of Alberta  
Awards

The Government of Alberta is looking for nominations for its Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards.

Alberta Mountain Pine Beetle ReLeaf Program	Council was informed the Tekarra Lodge Hotel has participated in the Alberta Mountain Pine Beetle ReLeaf Program. Councillors congratulated the hotel for getting this recognition.
Upcoming Events	Council received a list of upcoming events.
In Camera	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey that Council move in camera at 12:43 pm to discuss agenda item 12.1 Deliberative Matter: Contract Audit, Operations Department – FOIP S.24. CARRIED
Revert to Open Meeting	MOTION by Councillor Wilson that Council revert to open meeting at 1:28 pm. CARRIED
Adjournment	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey that, there being no further business, the meeting of August 13, 2019 be adjourned at 1:28 pm. CARRIED