

Municipality of Jasper
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 | 9:30 am

Conducted virtually through Zoom

Virtual viewing and participation	This meeting was conducted virtually through Zoom. Public viewing and public participation during Council meetings is through Zoom livestreaming.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Helen Kelleher-Empey, Councillors Scott Wilson, Jenna McGrath, Rico Damota, Paul Butler and Bert Journault		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager John Greathead, Director of Operations Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager Bob Covey, Jasper Local newspaper 16 observers		
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.		
Approval of agenda #91/21	MOTION by Councillor McGrath to approve the agenda for the March 23, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of minutes #92/21	MOTION by Councillor Wilson to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Supporting Newcomer Integration in Jasper #93/21	Community Development submitted an application to Alberta Labour and Immigration's 2020-2021 Community Capacity Call for proposals entitled "Supporting Newcomer Integration in Jasper" on January 31, 2021.		
	MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee of the Whole receive the information presented on the new grant funded project: Supporting Newcomer Integration in Jasper.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Skatepark Relocation	Administration presented a report on the proposed relocation of the skatepark to Diamond A in Centennial Park, which included an updated site diagram .		
	Councillors discussed and inquired about other recreational uses for municipal lands, public engagement with the community and the nearby Evergreens Foundation facility; potential timelines for building and grant funding announcements; and other funding options.		

With respect to next steps on this item, Committee of the Whole made the following motion:

#94/21 MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee of the Whole direct Administration to return with a public engagement plan not later than June 1, 2021.

FOR	AGAINST	
5 Councillors	2 Councillors (Councillors Damota & Butler)	CARRIED

Traffic Control Measures With respect to traffic calming measures for an intersection near the schools and the Bonhomme Street and Willow Avenue intersection, Committee of the Whole made the following motion:

#95/21 MOTION by Councillor McGrath that Committee of the Whole refer \$32,000 for pedestrian safety improvements to the 2021 budget discussions that will be held on March 24, 2021.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Council also discussed lowering speed limits to improve pedestrian safety.

#96/21 MOTION by Councillor Wilson that Committee of the Whole refer to Council that speed limits on the entirety of Bonhomme Street and on Cabin Creek Drive to the Patricia Street intersection be reduced to 30 kilometres per hours.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Recess Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey called a recess from 10:52 am until 11:03 am.

Paid Parking Alternative Scope Options Administration presented a report with alternative paid parking options for the community.

Council discussed implementation, location, fees, community engagement, residential parking and time limits.

Councillor Wilson Councillor Wilson left the meeting at 12:05 pm.

#97/21 MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee of the Whole direct Administration to return to Council on April 6, 2021 with a plan based on alternative number 2 presented at the March 23, 2021 meeting to proceed with a paid parking pilot project in the area now subject to two-hour parking and for the same posted hours for the period commencing May 3, 2021 or soon thereafter as may be practical and ending September 30, 2021, coupled with a parking permit system for residents in areas of adjacent residential housing; and subject to existing bylaws regarding the prohibition of RV parking in the downtown core.

FOR
6 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED

Commercial Use of Public Space Bylaw - Sidewalk Seating Fee Amendment #98/21

Due to another Council engagement at 1 pm, Committee of the Whole was not able to discuss the remaining agenda items. Committee of the Whole made the following motions:

MOTION by Councillor Butler that Committee of the Whole refer the Commercial Use of Public Space Bylaw #193 - Sidewalk Seating Fee Amendment Request for Decision to Council's April 6, 2021 regular meeting.

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FOR
6 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED

Deferral of remaining agenda items #99/21

MOTION by Councillor McGrath to defer the following agenda items until the April 6, 2021 regular Council meeting:
8.6 Policy Development and Review – Councillor Butler
9.1 Volunteer Appreciation Week Support – JEEC

FOR
6 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED

Adjournment #100/21

MOTION by Councillor McGrath that, there being no further business, the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 23, 2021 be adjourned at 12:52 pm.

FOR
6 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED