

Municipality of Jasper  
**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
Tuesday, March 21, 2023 | 1:30 pm  
Jasper Library and Cultural Centre, Quorum Room

Virtual viewing and participation	Council attendance is in Council chambers at the Jasper Library and Cultural Centre. This meeting was also conducted virtually and available for public livestreaming through Zoom. Public viewing and participation during Council meetings is through both Zoom livestreaming and in-person attendance.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Ralph Melnyk, Councillors Scott Wilson, Helen Kelleher-Empey, Rico Damota and Wendy Hall		
Absent	Councillor Kathleen Waxer		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration John Greathead, Director of Operations & Utilities Christopher Read, Director of Community Development Amanda Stevens, Communications Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Lynn Wannop & Joost Tijssen, Jasper Pride Festival Society Board Rob Olson, resident Bob Covey, The Local Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh 14 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the March 21, 2023 regular meeting to order at 1:30pm and began with a <a href="#">Traditional Land Acknowledgement</a> .		
Additions/ Deletions to agenda #123/23	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council move Delegations in the agenda order from item 5 to item 3.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of agenda #124/23	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the March 21, 2023 regular meeting as amended.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Delegations – Jasper Pride Festival Society Board	Lynn Wannop and Joost Tjissen of the Jasper Pride Festival Society Board attended the meeting as a delegation to extend invitations to Mayor & Council to the Jasper Pride and Ski Festival which will be taking place April 14-23.		
Approval of Regular minutes #125/23	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the March 7, 2023 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes #126/23	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence – Ashley Van Tighem – Jasper Hockey League Conduct and Violence	Council received correspondence from a resident sharing concerns regarding the Jasper Hockey League and recent events at the last hockey tournament held at the arena.		

	Jasper resident and hockey enthusiast Rob Olson attended the meeting to share statistics from the Jasper Hockey League.		
#127/23	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the correspondence regarding the Jasper Hockey League conduct for information; and direct Administration to come back to a future Committee meeting with recommendations.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Paid Parking 2023 #128/23	MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to expand paid parking to include Connaught Drive between Hazel Avenue and the 700-block residential area as shown in the diagram attached to the agenda.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 1 Councillor (Councillor Wilson)	CARRIED
#129/23	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to expand paid parking to include the off-street parking lot and on-street parking on the 200-block of Connaught Drive, excluding the electric vehicle charging stations and the parking for oversized vehicles.		
	FOR 4 Councillors	AGAINST 2 Councillors (Mayor Ireland & Councillor Wilson)	CARRIED
#130/23	MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to convert the upper McCready Centre parking lot to resident parking only.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 1 Councillor (Councillor Wilson)	CARRIED
#131/23	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to increase parking lot rates to \$2.50 per hour and on street parking to \$3.50 per hour.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 1 Councillor (Councillor Wilson)	CARRIED
#132/23	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to increase to the parking lot daily rate to \$15.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 1 Councillor (Councillor Wilson)	CARRIED
Recess	Mayor Ireland called a recess from 3:05-3:11pm		
Alberta Living Wage Network	Mayor Ireland relinquished the chair to Deputy Mayor Melnyk in order to make the following motion.		
#133/23	MOTION by Mayor Ireland – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the Municipality of Jasper joining the Alberta Living Wage Network.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
	Deputy Mayor Melnyk relinquished the chair to Mayor Ireland.		

Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion Master Plan Implementation Update #134/23	CAO Bill Given presented an update to Council detailing the activities completed in 2022 related to the ED&I Master Plan including the formation of the Inclusion Committee and its subsequent work with many community partners.			
	MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information.			
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors		CARRIED
Recreation Renovation Public Information and Schedule Update  #135/23	Director of Community Development, Christopher Read, presented an update to Council reviewing the key front-facing aspects of the Activity Centre Renovation Project, as well as a picture of what the first six months of the project will look like for residents and user groups. There is now a page on the Municipality’s website which will post more updates as the project progresses.			
	MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the March 2023 Recreation Renovation Public Information and Schedule Update for information.			
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors		CARRIED
International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination Proclamation #136/23	Mayor Ireland relinquished the chair to Deputy Mayor Melnyk in order to make the following motion.			
	MOTION by Mayor Ireland – BE IT RESOLVED that Council proclaim March 21st as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in Jasper.			
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors		CARRIED
	Deputy Mayor Melnyk relinquished the chair to Mayor Ireland.			
Notices of Motion	none			
Councillor Reports	Councillor Kelleher-Empey attended the Evergreens Foundation budget meeting last week.			
	Councillor Hall attended an Elected Officials Education Program course titled “Council’s Role in Service Delivery” in Edmonton yesterday.			
	Last night Councillor Melnyk attended the annual general meeting of the Jasper Yellowhead Historical Society & Museum and attended a fundraising casino in Edmonton with the same group last week.			
	Mayor Ireland continues his weekly meetings with consultants and counterparts in Banff and Canmore in respect to the designation initiative.			
	Mayor Ireland and Councillor Melnyk attended the evening public information session on Land Use & Planning held by Parks Canada on March 16.			
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.			
	Councillor Wilson left the meeting at 4:10pm.			
In-camera #137/23	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey to move in camera at 4:12pm to discuss agenda items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>10.1 Mayor’s Recognition Awards FOIP s. 17(2)(j)(iv)</li></ul>			
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors		CARRIED

Mr. Given, Mr. Read, Ms. Nadon and Ms. Acorn also attended the in camera session.

Mayor Ireland relinquished the chair to Deputy Mayor Melnyk for the remainder of the meeting and left at 4:14pm.

Move out of camera #138/23	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey to move out of camera 4:41pm.		
	FOR 4 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Adjournment #139/23	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the regular meeting of March 21, 2023 be adjourned at 4:42pm.		
	FOR 4 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED

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Chief Administrative Officer