

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, May 2, 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 Kathleen Waxer, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Scott Wilson, Helen Kelleher-Empey, and Wendy Hall		
Absent	Councillor Rico Damota		
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 Angie Thom & Joyce Melnyk, Jasper Municipal Library Troy & Tyler Birtles, Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh 2 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the May 2, 2023 regular meeting to order at 1:30pm.		
Additions/ Deletions to agenda	none		
Approval of agenda #199/23	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the May 2, 2023 regular meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #200/23	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the April 18, 2023 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes #201/23	MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the April 25, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence	none		
Delegations - Jasper Municipal Library #202/23	Council received a presentation from Angie Thom and Joyce Melnyk of the Jasper Municipal Library Board with the annual financial report, updates on the plan of service, and more. MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept the Financial Review for the Municipality of Jasper Library Board.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Delegations – Accurate Assessment Group	Council received a presentation from Troy Birtles of Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. detailing the 2022 assessments of properties in the Municipality of Jasper.		

Ltd. #203/23	MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the presentation from Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. for information.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Connaught Utilities Borrowing and Local Improvement Levy Amending Bylaw 2nd Reading #204/23	MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council give second reading to Bylaw #252, the Connaught Utilities Borrowing and Local Improvement Levy Amending Bylaw.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess	Mayor Ireland called for a recess from 2:52-3:04pm		
2023 Tax Rate Bylaw #205/23	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council first reading to Bylaw #253, the 2023 Tax Rate Bylaw.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#206/23	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council second reading to Bylaw #253, the 2023 Tax Rate Bylaw.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Communities in Bloom Terms of Reference #207/23	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the Communities in Bloom Terms of Reference with the following amendments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Article 1 – remove “the” from before Jasper • Item 2.2 – (3) public members • Item 2.3 – change “appoint” to “recommend” • Item 2.5 – grammatical correction 		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Notices of Motion	none		
Councillor Reports	<p>Councillors Kelleher-Empey and Waxer attended the “Women Mean Business” luncheon event last Friday hosted by Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce.</p> <p>Councillor Waxer attended Indigenous training yesterday provided by the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland and Councillors Waxer, Hall, and Melnyk were all at the recycling information event held at the Lobstick Lodge last week on April 27th. MLA Martin Long was also present to announce the funding from the province which will be going towards upgrades to the Waste Water Treatment Plant.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland attended the Bloom course for elected officials last week with Councillor Kelleher-Empey.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland and CAO Given met with Tourism Jasper to discuss an initiative to develop a destination stewardship plan.</p> <p>On April 24th Mayor Ireland was at the annual senior’s dinner and shared the news of the Senior’s Recreation Pass with the group which will launch in June 2023.</p> <p>Councillor Melnyk took part in a Parks Canada and Municipality joint emergency management exercise on Friday.</p>		

Councillor Hall took part in Jasper Ski & Pride Festival Society a storytelling event and completed a four week Elected Officials Education Program course on Land Use and Planning.

Upcoming events Council received a list of upcoming events for information.

Adjournment
#208/23 MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the regular meeting of May 2, 2023 be adjourned at 3:34pm.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer