MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

January 7, 2025 | 1:30 pm Jasper Library & Cultural Centre – Quorum Room Municipality of Jasper Strategic Priorities 2022-2026



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1 CALL TO ORDER

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1 Regular meeting agenda, January 7, 2025

attachment

Recommendation: That Council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of January 7, 2025 as presented.

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 Regular meeting minutes, December 17, 2024

attachment

Recommendation: That Council approve the minutes of the December 17, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.

4 DELEGATIONS

5 CORRESPONDENCE

6 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Supplementary Assessment of Improvements and Supplementary Tax Bylaws

attachment

Recommendation: That Council read for the first time, Bylaw #264, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to authorize the supplementary assessment of improvements for the taxation year 2025.

That Council read for the second time, Bylaw #264, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to authorize the supplementary assessment of improvements for the taxation year 2025.

That Council read for the first time, Bylaw #265, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to authorize the imposition of a supplementary tax for the taxation year 2025.

That Council read for the second time, Bylaw #265, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to authorize the imposition of a supplementary tax for the taxation year 2025.

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6.2 Utilities Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw 2025

attachment

Recommendation: That Council read for the first time, Bylaw #266, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to provide for the levying and collection of fees for the provision of water, sewer, solid waste and recycling services in 2025.

That Council read for the second time, Bylaw #266, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to provide for the levying and collection of fees for the provision of water, sewer, solid waste and recycling services in 2025.

6.3 Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre Progress Update

attachment

Recommendation: That Council receive the report for information.

7 NOTICES OF MOTION

8 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

9 UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Jasper in January</u> – January 10-26 <u>Jasper Recovery Virtual Information Sessions & Open Houses</u> – January 23 & January 25 <u>2025 Tourism Advocacy Summit</u> – February 9-11, JW Marriot Edmonton ICE District

10 ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation: That, there being no further business, the regular meeting of January 7, 2025 be adjourned at

Please note: All regular and committee meetings of Council are video recorded and archived on YouTube.

Municipality of Jasper

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 | 1:30pm 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, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empey, Kathleen Waxer, Rico Damota, Ralph Melnyk, Scott Wilson, and Wendy Hall.

Absent

none

Also present

Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer

Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services

Michael Fark, Director of Recovery

Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration

Brad Boyd, Human Resources Manager

Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Lisa Darrah, Rockaboo Mountain Adventures

Zack Ziolkowski, Alberta Counsel Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh Jacqui Sundquist, CBC Edmonton

6 observers

Call to order

Mayor Ireland called the December 17, 2024 Regular Council meeting to order at

1:30pm.

Additions or deletions to agenda #551/24

MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council add the following

item to the December 17, 2024 Regular Council meeting agenda:

10.1 In-camera – Strategic Priorities

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors **O** Councillors **CARRIED**

Approval of agenda #552/24

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the December 17, 2024 Regular Council meeting as amended:

Add 10.1 In-camera – Strategic Priorities

FOR **AGAINST**

7 Councillors O Councillors CARRIED

Approval of Regular minutes #553/24

MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the December 3, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.

FOR **AGAINST**

7 Councillors **0** Councillors CARRIED

Approval of Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes

MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the December 10, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting as

presented.

#554/24 **FOR** AGAINST

> 7 Councillors **0** Councillors CARRIED

Delegations

Lisa Darrah, Owner of Rockaboo Mountain Adventures, came to Council with a request to waive parking stalls for a climbing wall to be installed in the parking lot beside the Old Firehall. CAO Bill Given reviewed the Commercial Use of Public Space Bylaw and other factors to be considered.

MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct #555/24

Administration to waive the parking stall fees associated with the installation of

an icewall at the parking lot north of the Old Firehall for the 2024/2025 winter season.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Correspondence none

2025-2027 Operating & Capital

MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the 2025-2027 Operating budget as presented; and

Budgets

#556/24 That Council approve the 2025-2027 Capital budget as presented.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre Progress Update Council received a Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre progress update from Director of Recovery Michael Fark. Highlights include information on interim housing; news of a temporary food bank to be funded by the Red Cross; update on debris management; a review of the information sessions scheduled in

December and January; and more.

#557/24 MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the

progress update for information.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Jasper Municipal Library Board Appointments #558/24 MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint the following individuals to the Jasper Municipal Library Board: Keslin Park & Brenda Shepherd for a term commencing January 1, 2025 and concluding December 31, 2027.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Community Conversations Annual Report Council received the annual Community Conversations report from administration. Community Development Manger Lisa Riddell reviewed attendance in 2024; trends in topics discussed; ideas for improvement; and more. The notes for each individual conversation can be found on the

Municipality of Jasper website.

#559/24 MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report

for information.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Group RRSP Participation

Mayor Ireland relinquished the Chair to Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey as he declared a conflict of interest. He has a family member working in the Japer

Recovery Coordination Centre.

#560/24 MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the

Municipality of Jasper 's participation in a Group RRSP through ABMunis.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Recess Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey called a recess from 2:53pm to 3:03pm.

Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey returned the Chair to Mayor Ireland.

Electricity Supply Procurement

At the December 10th meeting Committee discussed electricity procurement for the next term being anywhere between 1 and 5 years; and recommended that Administration sign the most appropriate contract on December 16, 2024 and provide a verbal report back to Council at the December 17, 2024 Regular meeting. Administration shared that a fixed rate three-year contract with TransAlta has been signed.

#561/24

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the verbal report for information.

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Community & Economic
Development Fund
Applications
#562/24

MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to award funding from the Community & Economic Development Fund to the below four applicants:

- Friends of Jasper Childcare Society- \$2,500
- Jasper Filipino-Canadian Society \$2,500
- Jessica Worth \$2,500
- Jennifer Ottaway \$2,500

FOR AGAINST 7 Councillors 0 Councillors

CARRIED

Municipal Election 2025

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint Christine Nadon as Returning Officer for the 2025 municipal election; and

#563/24 That Council appoint Emma Acorn as Substitute Returning Officer for the 2025

municipal election.

OR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Notices of Motion none

Councillor Reports

Councillor Kelleher-Empey attended the Evergreens Foundation Strategic Planning Sessions December 4th-6th. She also attended the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party with Mayor Ireland and Councillor Melnyk.

Councillor Kelleher-Empey participated in the Alpine Summit Seniors family holiday party yesterday.

On December $5^{\rm th}$ Mayor Ireland attended the lighting of the World Tree and a book launch for Beth Everest.

Mayor Ireland attended the Jasper Volunteer Fire Brigade's Christmas Party on December 6th and the Municipality's Community Holiday Party on December 13th.

Mayor Ireland met with members of Via Rail on December 7th as they are working on a video to celebrate an upcoming anniversary.

On December 9th Mayor Ireland had an interview with Global News and on December 12th he had another with the Canadian Press.

Mayor Ireland had virtual meetings with both Minister Rick McIver and Minister Jason Nixon on December 11th.

Mayor Ireland met with the Tourism Industry Association of Alberta President and CEO Darren Reader yesterday.

Mayor Ireland attended the Jasper Filipino-Canadian Society Christmas party yesterday.

Councillor Hall attended a Library Board meeting on December 10th.

Councillors Hall, Waxer and Melnyk attended a meeting of the Recovery Advisory Committee yesterday.

Upcoming events

Council received a list of upcoming events for information.

Move In-camera #564/24

MOTION by Councillor Waxer to move in-camera at 3:15pm to discuss agenda item:

• 10. 1 Strategic Priorities FOIP s.24(1)(a)

FOR AGAINST

7 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mr. Given, Mr. Fark, and Zack Ziolkowski with Alberta Counsel also attended the in-camera session.

Councillor Damota left the meeting at 4:55pm.

Move out of camera #565/24

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey to move out of camera at 5:09pm.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Adjournment #566/24

MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of December 17, 2024 be adjourned at $5:10\,\mathrm{pm}$.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT TO DECEMBER 17, 2024 Regular meeting minutes

Dear Jasper Municipal Council

I hope this message finds you well. I am reaching out on behalf of Rockaboo Mountain Adventures, a local business dedicated to providing unique outdoor experiences and promoting adventure tourism in our beautiful region. We are excited to announce our plans to install an ice climbing wall that will attract visitors and locals alike during the winter months, enhancing Jasper's reputation as a premier destination for outdoor activities.

As part of this project, we are seeking Town Council support in waiving the parking stall fees associated with our ice climbing wall, which amounts to \$1,850 per stall. Given the potential for increased tourism and community engagement, we believe that this initiative will not only benefit our business but also contribute positively to the local economy.

The ice climbing wall will serve as an exciting attraction, encouraging both residents and tourists to engage in outdoor winter sports, thereby fostering a sense of community and promoting Jasper as an adventure hub. Additionally, the project aligns with the municipality's goals of enhancing recreational opportunities and supporting local businesses.

We would be incredibly grateful for your consideration in waiving any and all fees associated with the use of the parking lot delegated for the Ice Wal as it would significantly alleviate the financial burden associated with this project allowing us an opportunity to recover from the Jasper wildfire's impact on our small business.

Thank you for considering our request. We are hopeful for your support.

Warm regards,

Lisa Darrah

Owner - Rockaboo Mountain Adventures

780-931-5192

AGENDA ITEM 6.1

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Supplementary Assessment of Improvements and

Supplementary Tax Bylaws

From: Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer

Prepared by: Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration

Date: January 7, 2025

Recommendation:

That Council give first and second readings to the Supplementary Assessment of Improvement 2025 Bylaw,
 and:

That Council give first and second readings to the Supplementary Tax Bylaw 2025.

Alternatives:

That Council does not conduct Supplementary Assessments and Taxes for 2025.

Background:

On January 16, 2024, Council gave first and second readings and on February 6, 2024, gave third reading passing Bylaw #257 being the Supplementary Assessments of Improvements 2024 bylaw and Bylaw #258, being the Supplementary Tax Bylaw 2024.

Discussion:

The Supplementary Assessment of Improvement bylaw allows the Municipality to assess property having newly constructed buildings or major additions and renovations in the same tax year as they are completed and occupied. Prior to conducting supplementary assessments inequities existed amongst properties based on the completion date of the improvements.

Without a supplementary assessment bylaw, improvements started and/or completed during 2024 would not be assessed for the 2025 tax year. This is inherently unfair and inequitable to those owners having the improvements completed by the end of 2024, since those owners would be subject to taxation on the completed project for the full 2025 tax year.

If a council passes a bylaw authorizing supplementary assessments to be prepared in respect of property, then Section 369 of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) requires council to pass a bylaw authorizing it to impose a supplementary tax in the same year as the supplementary assessment is to be done.

Inclusion Considerations:

• The Municipal Inclusion Assessment Tool is not applicable to this recommendation.

Relevant Legislation:

Alberta Municipal Government Act



- Section 313 requires council to pass a bylaw before May 1st in the same year as the supplementary is to be done.
- Section 314 (3) states that a supplementary assessment must reflect the value of an improvement that has not been previously assessed or the increase in the value of an improvement since it was last assessed.
- Section 369 (1) states that If in any year a council passes a bylaw authorizing supplementary
 assessments to be prepared in respect of property, the council must, in the same year, pass a bylaw
 authorizing it to impose a supplementary tax in respect of that property.)

Financial:

The approval of a 2025 Supplementary Assessment of Improvement Bylaw will provide a fair and equitable allocation of taxes between owners whether they have completed projects in 2024 or 2025.

The last 5 years of municipal tax revenue generated from Supplementary Property Taxes:

Tax Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Municipal Supplementary Levy	\$828	\$5,163	\$48,795	\$24,895	\$7,917

Estimated supplementary assessment totals are not available for 2025 supplementary tax application due to the unknown completion dates of potentially affected projects.

Attachments:

- Bylaw #264 Supplementary Assessment of Improvements 2025
- Bylaw #265 Supplementary Tax Bylaw 2025

MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER BYLAW #264

BEING A BYLAW OF THE SPECIALIZED MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPPLEMENTARY ASSESSMENT OF IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE TAXATION YEAR 2025.

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act* (RSA 2000, cM-26), a municipality may adopt a bylaw authorizing supplementary assessments to be prepared for the purpose of imposing a tax in the same year;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts:

1. Citation

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Supplementary Assessment of Improvements Bylaw 2025".
- 1.2 The Specialized Municipality of Jasper Bylaw #257 "Supplementary Assessment of Improvements Bylaw 2024" is hereby repealed.

2. Definitions

- 2.1 In this Bylaw:
 - 2.1.1 "Council" means the Council of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper;
 - 2.1.2 "*Municipality*" means the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in Jasper National Park in the Province of Alberta;

3. Supplementary Assessment

- 3.1 Council hereby directs the assessor for the Municipality to prepare supplementary assessments for improvements in the Municipality if such improvements:
 - 3.1.1 are completed in the year in which they are to be taxed;
 - 3.1.2 are occupied during all or any part of the year in which they are to be taxed; or
 - 3.1.3 are moved into the Municipality during the year in which they are to be taxed and will not be taxed in that year by another municipality.
- The Municipality shall prepare and maintain a supplementary assessment roll within the times and in the manner set out in the *Municipal Government Act* (RSA 2000, cM-26).

4. Severance

4.1 If any section in this bylaw is found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall be severed from the remainder of the bylaw and shall not invalidate the whole bylaw.

Chief Administrative Officer

5. Coming into Force

5.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on the date of final passing thereof.
READ a first time this day of 2025
READ a second time this day of 2025
READ a third time and finally passed this day of 2025
Mayor

MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER BYLAW #265

BEING A BYLAW OF THE SPECIALIZED MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPOSITION OF A SUPPLEMENTARY TAX FOR THE TAXATION YEAR 2025.

WHEREAS pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* (RSA 2000, cM-26), a municipality may authorize the imposition of a supplementary tax;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts:

1. Citation

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Supplementary Tax Bylaw 2025".
- 1.2 The Specialized Municipality of Jasper Bylaw #258 "Supplementary Tax Bylaw 2024" is hereby repealed.

2. Definitions

- 2.1 In this Bylaw:
 - 2.1.1 "Council" means the Council of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper;
 - 2.1.2 "Chief Administrative Officer" means the individual duly appointed to that position for the Specialized Municipality of Jasper at any given time and includes any person authorized to act for and in the name of that individual;
 - 2.1.3 "*Municipality*" means the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in Jasper National Park in the Province of Alberta;

3. Supplementary Tax

3.1 Council hereby directs the Chief Administrative Officer to levy on all properties listed on the supplementary tax roll established pursuant to the Municipality's Supplementary Assessment of Improvements Bylaw 2025, taxed at the rate established in the Municipality's Tax Rate Bylaw 2025.

4. Severance

4.1 If any section in this bylaw is found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall be severed from the remainder of the bylaw and shall not invalidate the whole bylaw.

5. Coming into Force

5.1 This bylaw shall come into force and effect on the date of final passing thereof.

READ a first time this day of 2025			
READ a second time this day of 2025			
READ a third time and finally passed this	day of	2025	
			Mayor
			Мауог
			Chine Administrative Officer
			Chief Administrative Officer

AGENDA ITEM 6.2

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: 2025 Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw

From: Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer

Prepared by: Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration

Date: January 7, 2025

Recommendation:

That Council give first and second readings to the 2025 Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw.

Alternatives:

- That Council give first reading to the 2025 Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw and;
- Provide amendments prior to second and third readings.

Background:

The Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw is amended on annual basis to reflect adjustments in rates and/or to address technical matters. In the approved 2025 budget total utility expenses are \$7,561,886. Of this amount \$6,326,703 will be collected from levies and the remaining amounts are collected by bulk sales or dumping.

Conversations held by administration and council during budget encompassed changes in all utility service areas. Reflected in the 2025 Bylaw are:

- Solid waste decrease of 3.64% was mostly due to decrease of transfer to reserves; 2024 was last year to contribute to cell development;
- Recycling saw an overall increase of 4.08% due to increases in transfer to reserves in anticipation of new Extended Producer Responsibility Adaptation;
- Water levies will see an increase in 2025 by 13% since there are increases to reserves and additional
 expenses are anticipated from bulk water station building being brought online, and;
- Sewer increases were felt in capital at 5.77% for the 5-year plan of increased transfers to reserves for asset management, increase in consumption due to having increases in contracted services, utilities, and debenture payments and in connection due to salaries and benefits.

Discussion:

To give proper notice and advertisement of change, administration would require a 3rd reading before the mail out date of February 6, 2025.

The proposed rates for 2025 and their impact on customers are presented below.



	2024		2025		Per 2 Month Billing Period An					
					Average	2224	2225			Example Property
m3	Water	Sewer	Water	Sewer	m3	2024	2025	Change	Change	Туре
Tier 1	0.68	2.13	0.77	2.25	20	56.15	60.38	4.23	25.40	Residential
Tier 2	0.70	2.34	0.79	2.47	53	161.12	173.13	12.01	72.05	Small Commercial
										Medium
Tier 3	0.85	2.98	0.96	3.15	210	803.92	863.35	59.43	356.58	Commercial
Tier 4	1.10	3.67	1.25	3.88	1,543	7,359.49	7,908.17	548.68	3,292.09	Large Commercial

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	Per 2 N	1onth Billing	Period	Annual	
Utility	2024	2024 2025 Change		Change	Example Property Type
Garbage	\$ 68.25	\$ 65.77	-\$ 2.48	-\$ 14.91	Residential
Recycling	\$ 38.02	\$ 39.57	\$ 1.55	\$ 9.31	Residential
Garbage	\$ 362.68	\$ 349.48	-\$ 13.20	-\$ 79.21	Commercial
Recycling	\$ 139.35	\$ 145.04	\$ 5.69	\$ 34.11	Commercial

	2024 per		2024 per per year 2025 per		per year	Change Per			Annual Change		
Sewer											
Connection <=1"	\$ 14.94	billing	\$ 89.64	\$ 15.80	billing	\$ 94.81	billing	\$	0.86	\$	5.17
Connection =1.5"	\$ 77.70	billing	\$ 466.17	\$ 82.18	billing	\$ 493.07	billing	\$	4.48	\$	26.90
Connection >1.5"	\$116.55	billing	\$ 699.29	\$ 123.27	billing	\$ 739.64	billing	\$	6.72	\$	40.35
Capital <=1"	\$ 33.10	meter/billing	\$ 198.60	\$ 46.78	meter/billing	\$ 280.70	meter/billing	\$	13.68	\$	82.10
Capital =1.5"	\$165.48	meter/billing	\$ 992.89	\$233.94	meter/billing	\$1,403.63	meter/billing	\$	68.46	\$	410.74
Capital >1.5"	\$293.74	meter/billing	\$1,762.42	\$415.23	meter/billing	\$2,491.39	meter/billing	\$	121.49	\$	728.97
Water											
Connection <=1"	\$ 27.64	billing	\$ 165.84	\$ 31.25	billing	\$ 187.52	billing	\$	3.61	\$	21.68
Connection =1.5"	\$143.75	billing	\$ 862.49	\$ 162.54	billing	\$ 975.21	billing	\$	18.79	\$	112.73
Connection >1.5"	\$215.63	billing	\$1,293.76	\$243.81	billing	\$1,462.86	billing	\$	28.18	\$	169.09
Capital <=1"	\$ 41.38	meter/billing	\$ 248.25	\$ 35.01	meter/billing	\$ 210.06	meter/billing	-\$	6.37	-\$	38.19
Capital =1.5"	\$206.90	meter/billing	\$1,241.38	\$ 175.03	meter/billing	\$1,050.18	meter/billing	-\$	31.87	-\$	191.21
Capital >1.5"	\$367.23	meter/billing	\$2,203.40	\$310.69	meter/billing	\$1,864.11	meter/billing	-\$	56.55	-\$	339.29

The 2025 Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw contains rates that will continue to provide the revenue required to operate the municipal utilities, and;

- Guarantees that the core fixed costs of operating the system are covered, regardless of consumption, though the stability of the Connection charge component.
- Encourages conservation by providing financial motivation for large volume consumers to take active steps to reduce consumption through tiered Consumption rates.
- Supports equity by ensuring that those who consume more and/or generate a personal gain through commercial consumption contribute more to supporting the costs of the system.

- Advances asset management and reinvestment into water and wastewater infrastructure by beginning a 5-year phase in to meet recommendations from the 2017 Asset Management Study.
- Increases transparency and helps users understand the infrastructure replacement needs of the system through Capital charges.

Strategic Relevance:

Environment

• Include an environmental lens into our decision making and operational plans.

Organizational Excellence:

- Ensure residents receive quality service that provides strong value for dollar.
- Proactively plan for and invest in the maintenance and management of our natural assets and built infrastructure.
- Pursue alternative revenue sources and equitable distribution of costs.

Inclusion Considerations:

• The Municipal Inclusion Assessment Tool has been applied to this recommendation.

Relevant Legislation:

Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw (#266)

Financial:

Rates to be advertised in the upcoming November/December 2024 utility notice and would effectively change to begin January 1, 2025.

Attachments:

Bylaw #266 – Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw 2025

MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER BYLAW #266

BEING A BYLAW OF THE SPECIALIZED MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF FEES FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER, SEWER, SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICES IN 2025.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* (RSA 2000, cM-26) authorizes a municipality to operate a water system as a public utility for the purpose of supplying and distributing water to customers in the Municipality and, subject to Council approval, to customers outside the Municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* authorizes a municipality to pass a bylaw respecting public utilities and services provided by the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper, in the province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts:

1.0 Citation

- 1.1 This bylaw may be cited as Bylaw #266 "Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw 2025".
- 1.2 This bylaw rescinds Bylaw #259 "Utility Fees Levy and Collection Bylaw 2024".

2.0 Definitions

- 2.1 In this bylaw
 - 2.1.1 "apartment building" shall mean a single building comprised of three or more dwelling units, not including secondary suites with shared entrance facilities, where none of the dwelling units are rented or available for rent or occupation for periods less than 30 days;
 - 2.1.2 "apartment unit" shall mean a dwelling unit in an apartment building;
 - 2.1.3 "black water" shall mean de-watered or partially de-watered sludge forming a semi-liquid mass and includes accumulated settled solids deposited in holding tanks, pit latrines, sewage lagoons and septic tanks;
 - 2.1.4 "bulk water" shall mean water obtained from the water system by truck, tanker or similar means, and at such times and locations as may be designated by the CAO;
 - 2.1.5 "chief administrative officer" (CAO) means the chief administrative officer of the Municipality of Jasper or designate;
 - 2.1.6 "dwelling unit" shall mean one or more rooms connected as a separate unit in the same structure and constituting an independent unit for residential occupancy by a household with facilities to sleep, cook and eat, and with its own sanitary facilities;
 - 2.1.7 "community non-profit rate" shall mean the community non-profit rate specified in **Schedule 1** which shall apply to:

2.1.7.1	Parcel R9, Lot 2 (Jasper United Church);
2.1.7.2	Parcel C (St. Mary and St. George's Anglican Church);
2.1.7.3	Block A, Lot 1 (Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church);
2.1.7.4	Block 18, Lot 14 (Jasper Lutheran Church);
2.1.7.5	Block 26, Lot 13 (Jasper Pentecostal Church);
2.1.7.6	Block 4, Lots 19-20 (Jasper Baptist Church);
2.1.7.7	Block 5, Lot 4 (Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce, Robson
	House);
2.1.7.8	Parcel A, Lots 3A and 4A (Jasper-Yellowhead Historical Society);
2.1.7.9	Block 36, Lots 31 and 32 (Jasper Municipal Library);
2.1.7.10	Athabasca Park (Parks Canada Administration Building),
2.1.7.11	Un-surveyed lot known as Parcel U-124 (Friends of Jasper
	National Park and public washroom building), and
2.1.7.12	Block 5, Lots 5 and 6 (Tourism Jasper Jackman House)

- 2.1.8 "grey water" shall mean the fouled water supply of residences and businesses, and includes water-carried human wastes;
- 2.1.9 "leaseholder" shall mean a grantee or a person or other legal entity holding a valid lease or licence of occupation with the federal Crown for the use or occupation of land in Jasper National Park, and shall mean Canadian National Railway in respect of lots or land parcels held by Canadian National Railway, and shall mean Jasper National Park of Canada in respect to lots or land parcels held by the Crown;
- 2.1.10 "multi-unit dwelling" means one or more single buildings designed to contain three or more dwelling units not including secondary suites where none of the dwelling units are rented or available for rent or occupation for periods of less than 30 days;
- 2.1.11 "Municipality" shall mean the Municipality of Jasper;
- 2.1.12 "sewer system" shall mean the sanitary sewer system owned and operated by the Municipality and all accessories and appurtenances thereto, and shall include the wastewater treatment plant;
- 2.1.13 "water meter" shall mean a device designated and installed by the Municipality in each water service for the purpose of measuring water volume, and
- 2.1.14 "water system" shall mean the water system owned and operated by the Municipality of Jasper and all accessories and appurtenances thereto.
- 2.1.15 "zone" shall mean a zone established by a planning regime.

3.0 Water Rate

- 3.1 Every leaseholder of a lot or land parcel in the Municipality that is connected to the water system shall pay a water charge(s) as shown in **Schedule 1.**
- 3.2 The volume of water consumed will be measured by a water meter.

4.0 Combined Water and Sewer Rate

- 4.1 Every leaseholder of a lot or land parcel in the Municipality that is connected to both the water and the sewer systems shall pay a sewage charge(s) as shown in **Schedule 1.**The equivalent combined rate would be the sum of the water rate and the sewage rate.
- 4.2 The volume of sewage is calculated as being equal to the volume of water consumed by that leaseholder. The volume of water consumed will be measured by a water meter.

5.0 Sewer Rate (not connected to Municipal water supply)

- 5.1 Every leaseholder of a lot or land parcel in the Municipality that is connected solely to the sewer system shall pay a sewage charge calculated as a percentage of the annual operating cost of the Jasper wastewater treatment plant equal to the volume of sewage that leaseholder contributes to the wastewater treatment plan expressed as a percentage of total flows received at the plant.
- 5.2 Every leaseholder to whom section 5.1 applies shall provide a means approved by the Municipality of measuring the volume in cubic meters of sewage entering the sewer system from the leaseholder's lot or land parcel.

6.0 Trucked Waste

- 6.1 Every leaseholder of a lot or land parcel in the Municipality that is not connected to either the water or the sewer system shall pay a sewage charge as per **Schedule 1**:
 - 6.1.1 for each cubic meter of grey water deposited in the sewer system; and
 - 6.1.2 for each cubic meter of black water deposited in the sewer system.
- 6.2 Every leaseholder to whom section 6.1 applies shall establish and maintain a municipal sewage account and the Municipality shall charge the service fee specified in **Schedule**1 for the establishment of the account.
- 6.3 Every leaseholder to whom section 6.1 applies who deposits grey water or black water sewage into the sewer system at any time when a member of the operating staff of is not present at the plant, and whose deposit results in a circumstance requiring the presence of a member of the operating staff, the Municipality shall charge the leaseholder the wastewater treatment plant call-out fees specified in **Schedule 1**.

7.0 Bulk Water

- 7.1 Every hauler of bulk water shall pay bulk water fees calculated as the volume of water obtained from the water system multiplied by the water rate specified in **Schedule 1.**
- 7.2 Every purchaser of bulk water not having an existing municipal bulk water account shall establish such an account and the Municipality shall charge the service fee specified in **Schedule 1** for the establishment of the account.

8.0 Solid Waste

- 8.1 The Municipality shall, with respect to every leaseholder of a lot or parcel located in the Municipality, charge the fees specified in **Schedule 1** for solid waste collection.
- 8.2 In the event the Parks Canada Agency increases the fees charged to the Municipality for the provision of solid waste services, the CAO may increase the fees specified in **Schedule 1** to the extent necessary to recoup those increased costs. The revised fees shall be advertised by the Municipality.
- 8.3 The Municipality shall establish a daily solid-waste collection schedule ensuring that solid waste collection is normally completed no later than 1:00 p.m. of each operating day. If an extra pickup is required on any operating day it shall be subject, in addition to the fees prescribed in section 10.1 herein, to the off-schedule surcharge specified in **Schedule 1**.
- 8.4 Every leaseholder of an institutional lot or parcel in the Municipality shall pay solid waste fees at the commercial rate specified in **Schedule 1** unless such zone or parcel:
 - 8.4.1 is listed in section 2.1.7 as subject to the community non-profit rate; or
 - 8.4.2 is used solely for residential purposes, in which case solid waste fees shall be levied in accordance with the character of such use; and
 - 8.4.3 no water, sewer or solid waste accounts shall be levied in respect of Parcel CA.

9.0 Parks Canada Agency

- 9.1 The Parks Canada Agency shall pay water, sewer and solid waste charges on properties it uses and occupies within the Municipality as though it were a leaseholder.
- 9.2 The Municipality shall, in respect to its lots or land parcels in Jasper National Park of Canada outside the Municipality that are not connected to either the water or the sewer system, levy a sewage charge for each cubic meter of sewage deposited in the sewer system calculated at 0.8 multiplied by the per cubic meter trucked waste charge specified in section 6.1.
- 9.3 Occupants of Parks Canada Agency lands zoned "R1", "R2", "R3" or "R4" shall pay the solid waste charges specified in **Schedule 1** unless the Municipality is requested in writing by the Parks Canada Agency to direct such accounts elsewhere.
- 9.4 Parcel GJ shall be exempt from solid waste fees.

10.0 Recycling Fee

10.1 Every leaseholder of a lot or parcel upon whom the Municipality levies fees for solid waste collection shall also be charged the recycling fee specified in **Schedule 1** which fee shall be contributed to recycling operating budgets.

10.2 Every leaseholder referred to in section 10.1 and who is the subject of more than one solid waste account with the Municipality shall pay the recycling fee with respect to each of their solid waste accounts.

11.0 Accounts

- 11.1 Accounts shall be rendered to the leaseholder, except that:
 - 11.1.1 water charge accounts shall be rendered to the tenants of rental dwelling units upon lands which are zoned R3 in respect to which:
 - 11.1.1.1 each dwelling unit is serviced by an individual water meter;
 - 11.1.1.2 not less than 10 rental dwelling units are located within a single leasehold; and
 - 11.1.1.3 the leaseholder has provided to the Municipality current postal addresses for the tenants of the rental dwelling units and has requested in writing the accounts be sent to those addressed; and
 - 11.1.1.4 the Municipality shall hold the leaseholder fully and entirely responsible for the payment of such accounts in the event the Municipality's reasonable efforts to collect such accounts prove unsuccessful.
 - water charge accounts shall be rendered to the tenants of rental dwelling units upon lands which are zoned CV-2, CO, CP, or CN.
- 11.2 Accounts shall be due and payable to the Municipality when rendered. Failure to receive an account shall not affect the liability to pay the account.
- 11.3 Utility Service Charges, shall constitute a debt to the Municipality which may be recovered:
 - a. By transferring the Outstanding Balance to the Tax Roll of the property owner, or
 - b. By action in any Court of competent jurisdiction, or
 - By distress upon and seizure of the goods and chattels of the person owing such rates or charges wherever they may be found in the Municipality.
 - 11.3.1 Utility Service Charges, which are six (6) months in arrears will be transferred to Property Taxes and a \$50.00 Administration fee will be added to the account in the event of a transfer to Property Taxes.
- 11.4 The Municipality may terminate water services to any leaseholder when their municipal utility service charges are in arrears by 60 days or more from the rendering of the account.

- 11.5 When a new account is established the Municipality shall charge the leaseholder the administration fee specified in **Schedule 1** for the establishment of the account.
- 11.6 For any services requested on or after June 1, 2009, a tenant to which section 11.1.2 applies, shall pay the Municipality the non-interest-bearing deposit specified in **Schedule**1. The deposit shall be:
 - 11.6.1 held on deposit by the Municipality for the full period for which services are delivered to the tenant; and
 - 11.6.2 applied to any outstanding service account balance at the conclusion of the full period in which water services are delivered to the depositor or in the event no outstanding account balance exists, returned to the depositor.

12.0 Penalties

12.1 The penalty for late payment of service accounts shall be 2% per month (26.82% per annum) beginning on the 31st day after the rendering of the account.

13.0 Severance

13.1 If any section in this bylaw is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, it shall be severed from the remainder of the bylaw and shall not invalidate the whole bylaw.

COMING INTO FORCE

This bylaw shall come into force on the date of final passing thereof	•
READ a first time this day of 2025.	
READ a second time this day of 2025.	
READ a third and final reading this day of 2025.	
	MAYOR
	CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Schedule 1

	01-Jan-25	per	per year
GARBAGE			
Garbage Residential In Town	\$65.77	billing	\$394.59
Garbage Commercial In Town	\$349.48	billing	\$2,096.88
Duplex - 1 side/Condo's/Row House	\$52.61	billing	\$315.65
Duplex - Both Sides (G03 x 2)	\$105.22	billing	\$631.30
Garbage S Block - Industrial Park	\$51.39	billing	\$308.35
Community Non-Profit Rate	\$62.24	billing	\$373.42
Garbage Fees - Four Plex (G03 x 4)	\$210.44	billing	\$1,262.66
Additional Garbage Pick-Ups	\$90.54	additional	
Multi-dwelling district lot - apartment building, per apartment	\$29.59	billing	\$177.56
Multi-dwelling district lot - Per multi-unit dwelling	\$50.83	billing	\$305.00
Additional Garbage Pick ups or self dumping	\$23.91	cubic yard	
Commercial off-schedule surcharge per pick up®	\$23.91	pick up	
Additional pick up of solid waste not stored in solid waste container	\$148.38	hour	
RECYCLING			
Recycle Fee - Residential	\$39.57	billing	\$237.41
Recycle Fee - Non-Residential	\$145.04	billing	\$870.22
Recycle Fee Duplex (RECY01 x 2)	\$79.15	billing	\$474.90
SEWER			
Sewer Consumption (0-35 m3)	\$2.25	cubic meter	
Sewer Consumption (35-65 m3)	\$2.47	cubic meter	
Sewer Consumption (66-500 m3)	\$3.15	cubic meter	
Sewer Consumption (501+ m3)	\$3.88	cubic meter	
Connection <=1"	\$15.80	billing	\$94.81
Connection =1.5"	\$82.18	billing	\$493.07
Connection >1.5"	\$123.27	billing	\$739.64
Commodition v 1.0	\$46.78	meter/billing	\$280.70
Capital <=1"	ŷ 10.70	meter/ billing	Ψ200.70
Capital =1.5"	\$233.94	meter/billing	\$1,403.63
Capital >1.5"	\$415.23	meter/billing	\$2,491.39
Trucked grey water	\$13.77	cubic meter	
Trucked black water	\$21.76	cubic meter	
WW Call out for first 3 hours	\$382.44	1st 3 hrs	
WW Call out for every hour exceeding 3 hours	\$127.48	hr over 3 hrs	
WW Service fee (section 6.2, 7.2)	\$106.23	account	
Sani Dump Station	\$5.00	transaction	
WATER			
Water Consumption (0-35 m3)	\$0.77	cubic meter	
Water Consumption (35-65 m3)	\$0.79	cubic meter	
Water Consumption (66-500 m3)	\$0.96	cubic meter	
Water Consumption (501+ m3)	\$1.25	cubic meter	
Connection <=1"	\$31.25	billing	\$187.52
Connection =1.5"	\$162.54	billing	\$975.21
Connection >1.5"	\$243.81	billing	
Connection > 1.3	\$35.01	meter/billing	\$210.06
Capital <=1"			·
Capital =1.5"	\$175.03	meter/billing	\$1,050.18
Capital >1.5"	\$310.69	meter/billing	\$1,864.11
Bulk Water Minimun (section 7.1)	\$11.31	cubic meter	
Water Service Deposit (section 11.6)	\$226.39	account	
GENERAL			
Administration Fee (section 11.3.1 and 11.5)	\$50.00	transaction	
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JASPER RECOVERY COORDINATION CENTRE (JRCC)

January 2, 2025

PROGRESS UPDATE





JRCC EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Interim Housing: Discussions are ongoing between the municipal, provincial and federal governments to determine the way forward for interim housing. Parks Canada (PC) has issued a request for proposal for modular mobile units that is expected to close Jan 12
- Residential Demolition Permits: 274 issued to date, representing 435 dwelling units
- Joint Town Rebuild: Drop-in sessions available until February 28, 2025
- Social Recovery: With funding from the Red Cross, the Municipality of Jasper has purchased an ATCO trailer to house the Jasper Food Bank
- Economic Recovery: Workplan in development with focus on liaising with economic recovery-focused agencies to share information, align efforts, identify gaps and enhance collective impact
- Communications: Planning JRCC open houses in January

TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS

- Currently 68 households from Municipality of Jasper (MoJ) and Parks Canada (PC) are in temporary accommodation
- Temporary accommodations (hotels) organized through the MoJ will not involve cost recovery until Feb 28, 2025
- Additional requests for temporary accommodations continue as other residents reach the limit of their own short-term housing solutions
- Hotel partners have expressed they are nearing capacity, new hotel partner added however occupants are having to move rooms multiple times during stay to access a kitchenette
- 73 total bookings
 - **68 households bridging to Interim Housing**: (54 MoJ, 14 PC) (26 Individuals, 16 couples, 26 families of three or more)
 - 14 short-term: (MoJ)

INTERIM HOUSING

- The first stage of site preparation and servicing to interim housing sites within the townsite of Jasper is complete
- Work continues within the interim housing project management team to identify a site layout plan that efficiently uses the space available
- Details on units to be delivered remain pending discussions between the higher levels of government
- Continuing to advance work required in Phase 2, including site servicing and permitting

Summary of Interim Housing phase I

Develop a business case for Interim Housing, including stakeholder identification, needs assessment, market sounding/assessment, financial analysis, options analysis

DEBRIS MANAGEMENT

- Residential demolition permits issued to date: 274, representing 435 dwelling units (permits in place for over 2/3 of the 615 dwelling units damaged/destroyed)
- **Debris Removal Holiday Update:** Many contractors observed a holiday shutdown between December 20, 2024 and January 6, 2025. Work is expected to commence again on Monday
- Sunday and Holiday Noise: The MOJ has received and responded to feedback relating to Sunday and Holiday noise. To support an expedited recovery while balancing residents' psycho-social needs and quality of life, debris removal and recovery work will be permitted on Sundays. Work was prohibited on December 25, 26, and January 1

JOINT TOWN REBUILD

- Team is working on projects in three areas:
 - Streamlining the Development Review and Approval Process
 - Community Planning + Policy
 - Community Support
- Drop-in sessions continue (86 met with)
- Drop-in sessions available until February 28, 2025

SOCIAL RECOVERY

- Recovery Pathfinders: Nearing initiation of a broad-based, multi-agency collaborations to build community resiliency capacity through core training modules including peer-to peer support, mental health first aid, de-escalation training, and suicide prevention. The program is being developed through partnerships between the MoJ, Parks Canada, Recovery Alberta, and the Canadian Red Cross
- Needs assessment: Work is underway in collaboration with the Conference Board of Canada and researchers at the University of Calgary and Mount Royal University to initiate a needs assessment strategy for the recovery process. The work will begin with a broad-based survey of Jasperites, including those residing outside of Jasper
- **Food Bank:** With funding from the Red Cross, the Municipality of Jasper has purchased an ATCO trailer to house the Jasper Food Bank throughout the recovery period. Installation is expected to be completed by mid-January

ECONOMIC RECOVERY

- Working group continues to meet on a weekly basis bringing together representatives from 11 diverse agencies to exchange information, share resources and contribute expertise to drive economic and business recovery efforts
- Working through Objective 1. Developing an economic recovery framework:
 - Identifying and mapping existing financial and technical supports (governmental and nongovernmental) as well as any gaps
 - identifying funding opportunities for economic recovery related projects and liaising between funding stakeholders and project leads

COMMUNICATIONS

- Planning JRCC open houses in January:
 - Virtual sessions on Thursday, January 23, 2025
 - In-person sessions on Saturday, January 25, 2025
- Working on a what we heard summary for all four engagements to share in February
- Continue promoting drop-in hours for questions on rebuilding at the Parks Canada Admin Building and virtual until February 28, 2025