

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 18, 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 Helen Kelleher-Empey, Councillors Kathleen Waxer, Scott Wilson, Ralph Melnyk, Rico Damota and Wendy Hall		
Absent	none		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services John Greathead, Director of Operations & Utilities Amanda Stevens, Communications Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Christa Laughlin & Carol Vien Jasper Heritage Folk & Blues Society Scott Hayes, The Fitzhugh 2 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the July 18, 2023 Regular Council meeting to order at 1:30pm.		
Additions/ Deletions to agenda #322/23	MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that the following items be added to the agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none">6.4 Transportation Contract		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of agenda #323/23	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the July 18, 2023 Regular Council meeting as amended.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #324/23	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the July 4, 2023 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes #325/23	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence - Jessica Theoret #326/23	Council received correspondence from local resident Jessica Theoret concerning the paid parking along the 500 block of Geikie Street. MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the correspondence for information, and; that Council direct Administration to respond to the resident.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#327/23	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to refer the matter of resident and paid parking along Geikie Street to a Committee of the Whole meeting following the conclusion of the		

	2023 Paid Parking Program.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Delegations – Jasper Heritage Folk & Blues Society	Council received a presentation from the Jasper Heritage Folk & Blues Society (JHFBS) focusing on the Jasper Folk Festival which is held annually each fall in Commemoration Park. Society members Christa Laughlin & Carol Vien shared the 10 year history of the society, financial statements, clarified the organization’s non-profit status and discussed funding opportunities for sponsors.		
#328/23	MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the presentation for information, and; that Council sponsor the Jasper Heritage Folk & Blues Society’s Jasper Folk Music Festival 2023 at the Diamond sponsor level, and; that Council direct Administration to find ways to sponsor the 2023 festival with either \$5000 in kind donations, or \$2500 in cash.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#329/23	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to refer the Jasper Heritage Folk & Blues Society request for \$20,000 to the 2024 budget discussions.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#330/23	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council defer discussion of appointing board members to societies to a future Committee of the Whole meeting prior to the Organizational meeting in October 2023.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Appointment to UpLift! Jasper Mural Festival Advisory Board #331/23	Mayor Ireland relinquished the chair to Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey as he has recused himself from past UpLift! Jasper Mural Festival items due to being a close relation of one of the festival organizers.		
	MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint Councillor Wilson on an interim basis to the UpLift! Jasper Mural Festival Advisory Board.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess	Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey called a recess from 2:46-2:56pm.		
	Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey relinquished the chair to Mayor Ireland.		
Jasper Recreation Complex Renovation Phase 2 Borrowing Bylaw 2023 1st Reading	Council received a draft of Bylaw #256, the Jasper Recreation Complex Renovation Phase 2 Borrowing Bylaw 2023 for potential first reading. It is expected to come back for second reading at the September 5 th Regular Council meeting and will be advertised, as required by the Municipal Government Act before that time.		
	Councillor Wilson made motion #332/23 which was voted on after Mayor Ireland proposed an amending motion.		
	Mayor Ireland relinquished the chair to Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey in order to make the following motion.		
#333/23	MOTION by Mayor Ireland that the bylaw presented for first reading be amended to delete in the third line of section 5.1 the words “20 years” and to insert there the words “30 years” and that all references to “20 years” be similarly amended.		

	<p>FOR 2 Councillors (Ireland & Waxer)</p> <p>AGAINST 5 Councillors</p> <p>DEFEATED</p>
	<p>Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey relinquished the chair to Mayor Ireland.</p>
#332/23	<p>MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council give first reading to the Jasper Recreation Complex Renovation Phase 2 Borrowing Bylaw 2023.</p>
	<p>FOR 7 Councillors</p> <p>AGAINST 0 Councillors</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
Wastewater Treatment Facilities Borrowing Bylaw 1st Reading	<p>Council received a draft of Bylaw #255, the Wastewater Treatment Facilities Borrowing Bylaw 2023 for potential first reading. It is expected to come back for second reading at the September 5th Regular Council meeting and will be advertised, as required by the Municipal Government Act before that time.</p> <p>Councillor Melnyk made motion #334/23 which was voted on after Mayor Ireland proposed an amending motion.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland relinquished the chair to Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey in order to make the following motion.</p>
#335/23	<p>MOTION by Mayor Ireland that the bylaw presented for first reading be amended to delete in the third line of section 5.1 the words “15 years” and to insert there the words “20 years” and that all references to “15 years” be similarly amended.</p>
	<p>FOR 6 Councillors</p> <p>AGAINST 1 Councillor (Damota)</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
	<p>Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey relinquished the chair to Mayor Ireland.</p>
#334/23	<p>MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council give first reading to the Wastewater Treatment Facilities Borrowing Bylaw 2023 which reflects a 20 year term of repayment.</p>
	<p>FOR 7 Councillors</p> <p>AGAINST 0 Councillors</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
Transportation Contract	<p>Council discussed Motion #318/23 from the July 11, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting which was made regarding the Public Transit Contract. They referred to the Procedure Bylaw #190 to check process for Committee of the Whole meetings and discussed the intention behind the motion.</p>
Recess	<p>Mayor Ireland called a recess from 4:10-4:25pm</p>
Transportation Contract #336/23	<p>MOTION by Councillor Damota that Motion #318/23 made at the July 11, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting regarding the completion of the contract with PWTransit Canada was not in line with the procedure bylaw and I challenge the decision of the chair to approve that motion as it was presented.</p>
	<p>FOR 3 Councillors (Damota, Melnyk, Kelleher-Empey)</p> <p>AGAINST 4 Councillors</p> <p>DEFEATED</p>
#337/23	<p>MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council adopt Motion #318/23 made by Mayor Ireland at the July 11, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting.</p>
	<p>FOR 4 Councillors</p> <p>AGAINST 3 Councillors (Damota, Melnyk, Kelleher-Empey)</p> <p>CARRIED</p>

Notices of Motion	none						
Councillor Reports	<p>Councillors Wilson and Melnyk will be attending a meeting of the Jasper Community Housing Corporation tomorrow.</p> <p>Councillor Melnyk attended a meeting of the Jasper Yellowhead Historical Society last Tuesday evening.</p>						
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.						
Adjournment #338/23	<p>MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of July 18, 2023 be adjourned at 4:48pm.</p> <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>7 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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