

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council of the Municipality of Jasper held Tuesday, June 19, 2012 in the meeting room of the Emergency Services Building.

Present Mayor Richard Ireland Deputy Mayor Dwain Wacko  
 Councillor Rico Damota Councillor Brenda Zinck  
 Councillor Brian Skehill Councillor Gilbert Wall

Absent Councillor Mike Day

Also present Peter Waterworth, CAO Alice Lettner, Dir. Finance & Admin.  
 Christine Nadon, Comm. & IT Mgr. Yvonne McNabb, Dir. Culture & Recreation  
 Kathleen Waxer, Dir. Comm. & Family Services  
 Doug Rodwell, Acting Dir. Env. Services Greg Van Tighem, Dir. Emergency Services  
 Nichole Veerman, The Fitzhugh Curtis Brinker & Ryan O'Regan, Coalspur Mines  
 1 observer

Call to order The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Additions to Agenda None

Approval of Agenda #133/12 MOTION by Councillor Wall – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 as presented.  
 FOR 6 councillors AGAINST 0 councillors CARRIED

Approval of Minutes #134/12 MOTION by Councillor Skehill – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 5, 2012 as presented.  
 FOR 6 councillors AGAINST 0 councillors CARRIED

Presentation Coalspur Mines Council received a presentation from Curtis Brinker and Ryan O'Regan, representatives of Coalspur Mines who are developing the Vista Coal Project on 55,000 hectares of coal leases located south and east of Hinton. The company's goal is to develop the Vista Coal Project to meet worldwide energy demand. Coalspur has offices in Calgary and Hinton, as well as in Australia.

Coalspur has 24 staff members and an extensive team of industry-leading consultants in the areas of engineering, geology, coal processing, infrastructure design, safety, environmental assessment/management, marketing, shipping/transportation and finance.

Coalspur's management team is made up of individuals who each have decades of experience with coal mining in Alberta and British Columbia. The company has also developed a public engagement programme for the proposed mine and the Municipality of Jasper is identified as a stakeholder in this process. With a projected capacity of 5 million tonnes per year over 20 years, and with first production expected in early 2015, capital costs of the project is estimated at \$870 million. It is estimated that 500 permanent jobs would be realized with 970 persons per year during construction, estimated to take one and a half to two years.

The Coalspur representatives provided an overview of its mines and the new project, including environmental impact and assessment, involvement with local communities, and indicated that the coal would be carried from the mining site to CN yards. Production would go, primarily, to Pacific Rim countries. Increase in train traffic is anticipated at one additional train every day and a half on top of the 30 trains a day in Hinton. Some questions arose concerning wildlife, traffic, impact on community, and "clean coal".

When asked if councillors wished to participate in the further steps of the consultation process, Council agreed to observe, along with Jasper National Park, and to keep informed through neighbouring municipalities. (RI)

Business Arising	No business arose from the minutes of the June 5, 2012 regular meeting.						
Department Reports	<p>Council received, for information purposes, the written reports from the Directors of Environmental Services, Community and Family Services, Culture and Recreation, and Emergency Services. All department reports can be viewed on the Municipality's website – <a href="http://www.jasper-alberta.com">www.jasper-alberta.com</a>.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland commended work crews on their efforts during the ongoing construction taking place in Patricia Circle.</p> <p>Reports of vandalism in the log cabin washrooms and the public washrooms downtown to be monitored before any change in operating hours is considered.</p> <p>Attempts are being made to encourage the government of Alberta to fund seniors' programming in communities.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland requested that occupancy rate be added to the next Community &amp; Family Services report.</p> <p>Greg Van Tighem reported that two fire brigade members recently received 20 years' service awards by the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta. The Fire Chief also reported on the Alberta Fire Chiefs' conference and on upcoming annual emergency plan exercises this week, and Jasper's possible involvement in Partners in Protection, in recognition of FireSmart communities and how to engage residents in the process. The Director reported on his recent visit to the Ukraine and presented the Mayor with gifts from Ukrainian officials.</p>						
Bylaw Summary	Council received, for information purposes, a summary of bylaws currently in force in the Municipality, and those in their various stages of readings.						
Councillor Damota	Councillor Damota declared a conflict of interest under section 172 of the Municipal Government Act regarding Bylaw #160, and left the meeting room at 2:05 p.m.						
Bylaw #160 Loan Guarantee to Caribou Creek 2 <sup>nd</sup> reading #135/12	<p>Bylaw #160 had been given first reading at the May 15<sup>th</sup> 2012 regular meeting, after which advertising took place as prescribed by the Municipal Government Act. No petition was received after the advertising period.</p> <p>MOTION by Councillor Zinck – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council read, for the second time, Bylaw #160, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the Province of Alberta to authorize a loan guarantee for Caribou Creek Non-Profit Housing Limited not to exceed 30% of the financing of the Development, or three million, six hundred thousand dollars (\$3,600,000), whichever is the lesser sum.</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FOR</td> <td style="text-align: center;">AGAINST</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">5 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED
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Councillor Damota	Councillor Damota returned to the meeting room at 2:18 p.m.						
Requests for Decision Summary	Council received, for information purposes, a summary of Requests for Decision currently in progress and those completed.						
Increase in Library Budget - Notice	Discussion took place on the request to increase the library budget as well as on cost overruns, old building improvements, contractors, relocation and original budget.						

#136/12 MOTION by Councillor Zinck – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council give notice that, at the July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 regular meeting, the following request will come forward to Council:

That the approved capital budget for the Library/Cultural Centre be increased to \$8.5M and that additional MSI Capital Grant funding be used for completion.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED

Notice  
Contract with Energy  
Associated Inc.  
#137/12 MOTION by Deputy Mayor Wacko – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council give notice that, at the July 3, 2012 regular meeting, Council will be requested to authorize Administration to enter into an agreement with Energy Associated Inc. for provision of natural gas and electrical power for consumption starting January 1, 2014.

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6 councillors	0 councillors	CARRIED

Encroachment/  
Easement Agr.  
1227A Cabin Creek  
Drive  
#138/12 MOTION by Councillor wall – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council:

- i Decline the application for an encroachment;
- ii Grant an easement of 236.7 square feet in respect of the retaining wall and the supporting structure as marked in yellow on the attached Alberta Land Surveyor’s Real Property Report, and
- iii Require the applicant to take any necessary measures to ensure that building code safety standards are met, and to align the remainder of the site with the property line.

FOR	AGAINST	
5 councillors	1 councillor	CARRIED

Councillors’ reports Council reported on various activities they had undertaken during the past two weeks, including Community Team events, daycare, Communities in Bloom, Community Futures, Yellowhead Regional Library, Leadership West Yellowhead, Evergreens, Community & Family Services, OOSC and Summer Fun amalgamation. Also included in the reports were recent Chamber of Commerce AGM, interest being shown by Banff/Cochrane MLA Casey regarding resort tourism status for Jasper and Banff. Mayors’ Caucus meetings in Calgary were attended by the Mayor and CAO where discussions on offsite levies, emergency dispatch, municipal energy policies, and water use were discussed.

Information items Correspondence with local resident regarding the cancellation of the annual spring/fall cleanup, a list of accounts payable cheques, and upcoming events were received as information items.

Adjournment There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer