

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday, January 14, 2014

Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Brian Nesbitt, Councillor Gilbert Wall, Councillor Helen Kelleher-Empey, Councillor Vonna Arsenault
Absent	Councillor Dwain Wacko, Councillor Rico Damota
Also present	Alice Lettner, Beryl Cahill, Christine Nadon, Bruce Thompson
Call to Order	The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.
Additions to Agenda	No additions to agenda.
Approval of Agenda	Agenda approved as presented Moved by Deputy Mayor Nesbitt. Carried
Approval of Minutes	Minutes of December 10, 2013 committee meeting approved as presented, Moved by Councillor Wall. Carried
Business Arising	None
Jasper Event Strategy	Council received the Jasper Event Strategy proposal. Discussion on budget implications. Mayor Ireland reported that Tourism Jasper is not quite sure what they want. If Municipality agrees to be the host organization, this will have serious budget implications, and will require a lot of staff time and money to make this work. The Event Strategy will be on the January 21 regular meeting agenda for discussion and possible decision.
Admin Van & Compensation	Councillor Damota had requested this item be placed on today's agenda, however, the councillor was not present at the meeting.
Town signage	Councillor Damota had requested this item be placed on today's agenda, but the councillor was not present at the meeting. Alice Lettner will report back to Council on work currently being done on town signage. At present, Jasper Celebrates banners are being installed by Atco on main street light standards.
Committee-of-the-Whole mtg schedule	Councillor Damota is currently putting forward a motion to change the current schedule of one committee meeting per month to two. Councillor Damota to speak to this motion at the January 21 regular meeting.

- Reuse-It Centre Councillor Arsenault is in favour of keeping the Reuse-It Centre. She thinks that Council could accept Janet Cooper's budget and would like to see the Reuse-It Centre continue in 2014. Discussion on budget, the Society's role, work plan.
- Budget 2014 Director of Operations Bruce Thompson clarified that no new positions were being proposed but that some positions had been vacated but not filled, pending the results of the Service and Structural Review.
- General discussion took place on capitalization, Culture & Recreation budget, Zamboni replacement and other big ticket items. Also discussed were the Edson Airport proposal, utility bills, benchmarking, governance agreement, and banner programme.
- Upcoming Events Mayor Ireland advised that he has been asked to give a "State of the Municipality" address at the May Chamber meeting.
- The Municipality's auditors will be here to do the 2013 audit the week of February 17th, and will attend the second regular meeting in April to present their report.
- Adjournment There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.