

Municipality of Jasper
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 25, 2017 | 9:30 a.m.
Council Chambers, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Rico Damota, Councillors Brian Nesbitt, Dwain Wacko and Gilbert Wall
Absent	Councillors Vonna Arsenault and Helen Kelleher-Empey
Also Present	Mark Fercho, CAO Christine Nadon, Leg. Services Manager Kayla Byrne, Leg. Services Coordinator Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration Kathleen Waxer, Director of CFS Lisa Daniel, Childcare Services Manager Greg Van Tighem, Director of Protective Services Don Smith, Deputy Fire Chief Jeremy Todgham, Fitness and Aquatic Centre Manager Paul Clarke, the Fitzhugh Monika Schaefer, observer
Call to Order	Councillor Wall called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
Additions to Agenda	None
Approval of Agenda	MOTION by Councillor Wacko to approve the agenda for April 25, 2017 as presented. CARRIED
Approval of Minutes	MOTION by Deputy Mayor Damota that the minutes of the April 11, 2017 meeting be approved as presented. CARRIED
Presentations	None
Bus. arising from minutes	None
Brief Updates: Discussion of Budget and parking lot items	Director of Finance Natasha Malenchak presented a report on the 2017 operating budget and parking lot items. Mrs. Malenchak also included the 2016 budget actuals; highlights of areas that are over or under budget for 2016; and proposed changes to the 2017 budget. Council discussed the possibility of a rate stabilization reserve for the future; restricted and unrestricted reserves; and a possible revision of the current budget policy. Council directed Administration to bring forward individual motions for a decrease of \$20,000 for Council's budget; \$49,000 for the Jasper Museum & Archives; \$10,000 for asbestos abatement in the Jasper Arena; and \$5,000 for the Jasper Mountain Bike Skills Park. In response to an inquiry regarding

the \$40,000 increase to IT service provision, Mrs. Malenchak informed Council the new amount more accurately reflects current market value for the service. Council commended Mrs. Malenchak on her thorough work on the 2017 budget, and expressed appreciation for the year-to-date actuals. The 2017 operating budget will return for approval at the next regular Council meeting, May 2.

Absence Councillor Wacko left the room at 10:28 a.m. and returned at 10:46 a.m.

Recess Councillor Wall called a recess from 11:02 a.m. to 11:09 a.m.

Busking pilot project #3, for 2017 Mr. Fercho presented a report on the 2017 busking pilot project. Council indicated it was satisfied with the information provided. Chairperson Wall opened the floor to questions from an observer, Monika Schaefer. Ms. Schaefer sought clarification regarding the proposed judging process, auditions and the suspending of licenses. The matter will return for decision at the next regular Council meeting, May 2.

Absence Mayor Ireland left the room at 11:55 a.m. and returned at 11:56 a.m.

Appointment to Culture and Recreation Board Council received an application from Greg Van Tighem to sit on the Culture and Recreation Board. The application will be reviewed by Council's Human Resources Committee and return to Council at an upcoming meeting.

Corr.: Jasper Mountain Bike Skills Park Council received a letter from the Jasper Park Cycling Association to provide clarification on concerns previously voiced by Council regarding the construction, liability, ongoing maintenance and end of life options for the Jasper Mountain Bike Skills Park.

Letter of support – JPCA Council discussed a second letter from the Jasper Park Cycling Association, requesting a letter of support to aid with grant applications for the Jasper Mountain Bike Skills Park. Council indicated it was in favour of sending a letter, but more general wording should be used.

Other new bus. None

Council Rep. on Boards, Meetings Councillors Kelleher-Empey and Wall will attend a Community Futures meeting, April 27.

Deputy Mayor Damota represented Council at the Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, April 20.

Mayor Ireland noted the benefits of wayfinding signs for a tourism community, after a vacation to Hawaii.

Upcoming Events	Council received, for information, a list of upcoming events.	
Nomination of next Chair	Councillor Nesbitt was nominated as the chairperson for the next Committee of the Whole meeting.	
In Camera	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt that Council move in camera to discuss a Personnel Matter at 12:09 p.m.	CARRIED
Revert to open meeting	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt that Council revert to open meeting at 1:20 p.m.	CARRIED
Adjournment	MOTION by Councillor Nesbitt that, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 1:21 p.m.	CARRIED