

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 19, 2019 | 1:30 p.m.
Quorum Room, Jasper Library and Cultural Centre

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Helen Kelleher-Empey, Councillors Paul Butler, Bert Journault, Rico Damota, Scott Wilson and Jenna McGrath

Also present Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager
Greg Van Tighem, Director of Protective Services/ Acting CAO
Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator
Kathleen Waxer, Director of Community and Family Services
Dr. Bonnie Dobbs, Director of Medically At-Risk Driver Centre
Herb Robinson, Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives Board
Steve Kristenson, Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives Board
Mike Merilovich, local business owner
Fuchsia Dragon, the Fitzhugh
One observer

Call to order Mayor Ireland called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

Additions to the agenda #51/19 MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council add the following items to today’s agenda:
- 13.1 In camera: intergovernmental matter
- 9.2 Speed limit reduction

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of agenda #52/19 MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the agenda for the regular meeting of Tuesday, March 19, 2019 as amended.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Approval of regular minutes #53/19 MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the minutes of the March 5, 2019 regular council meeting as amended:

Councillors proposed that the 2019 operating budget return for decision at the next regular meeting as separate motions; a motion for the base operating budget and respective motions to amend for additional requests to the operating budget.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Presentations Mrs. Waxer and Dr. Dobbs shared a presentation from the West Yellowhead Transportation Working Group regarding the Rural Regional Alternate

Transportation for Seniors Project. Mrs. Waxer and Dr. Dobbs answered questions from councillors.

Bylaw summary	Council received a summary of bylaws currently in force in the Municipality.				
Information updates: Impact of checkout bags	<p>Administration presented information on the impact of alternative checkout bags and edits to a draft bylaw regarding single-use item regulation. Councillors asked questions and provided edits to the draft bylaw.</p> <p>Council directed administration to return with a bylaw that eliminates references to plastic straws.</p> <p>Mr. Merilovich inquired about the public engagement process for local businesses regarding this item. It was noted Janet Cooper, Environmental Stewardship Coordinator, had consulted with local grocery stores, Tourism Jasper, the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce and other local stakeholders regarding this item. Mr. Merilovich also inquired about enforcement of the bylaw and definitions pertaining to single-use items and reusable bags.</p> <p>The Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw will return for first reading at the next regular council meeting.</p>				
Recess	Mayor Ireland called a recess from 2:47 pm to 2:58 pm.				
2019 operating budget	MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the base 2019 operating budget as presented including WCB and recreation debenture first year principal and interest (contingency) payment, for a tax increase of 4.49% over 2018.				
Jasper Municipal Library #54/19	<p>MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$10,000 for the Jasper Municipal Library.</p> <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td></tr><tr><td>2 Councillors</td><td>5 Councillors (Councillors Wilson, Butler, Damota, Journault and Mayor Ireland)</td></tr></table> <p>DEFEATED</p>	FOR	AGAINST	2 Councillors	5 Councillors (Councillors Wilson, Butler, Damota, Journault and Mayor Ireland)
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Habitat for the Arts #55/19	<p>MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$15,000 for the Habitat for the Arts.</p> <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>2 Councillors (Councillors Wilson and McGrath)</td></tr></table> <p>CARRIED</p>	FOR	AGAINST	5 Councillors	2 Councillors (Councillors Wilson and McGrath)
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Environmental Program Funding MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$58,500 for environmental program funding in the 2019 operating budget.

Environmental Program Funding #56/19 MOTION by Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empy – BE IT RESOLVED that council defer the motion to amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to include \$58,000 for environmental program funding.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	1 Councillor (Councillor Wilson)	CARRIED

Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives #57/19 MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget to allow funding in the amount of \$30,000 on a one-time basis only for the Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Historical Society.

FOR	AGAINST	
2 Councillors	5 Councillors (Councillors Wilson, Butler, Damota, Kelleher-Empy and McGrath)	DEFEATED

Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives #58/19 MOTION by Mayor Ireland – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the motion to approve the 2019 operating budget by including \$50,000 to the Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Historical Society, conditional on the Municipality of Jasper or its nominee and the Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives reaching an agreement regarding the Municipality of Jasper’s investment in the museum’s vacant lot by July 1, 2019.

FOR	AGAINST	
3 Councillors	4 Councillors (Councillors Butler, Damota, Kelleher-Empy and McGrath)	DEFEATED

Council will consider the deferred environmental programming amending motion and the main 2019 operating budget motion at the April 2, 2019 regular meeting.

Recess Mayor Ireland called a recess from 4:29 pm to 4:33 pm.

Speed limits #59/19 MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that council amend the Traffic Bylaw to reduce the speed limit in town to 30 km/h except for Connaught Drive and Sleepy Hollow Road to remain 50 km/h.

FOR	AGAINST	
6 Councillors	1 Councillor (Councillor Damota)	CARRIED

Correspondence Council received, for information, a letter from the Jasper Library Board to Minister Anderson regarding funding for the Jasper Municipal Library.

Councillor reports Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empy and Councillor Journault attended a Community Futures meeting. It was noted Community Futures is expected to make a presentation to council regarding a youth entrepreneur program.

Councillor Butler attended an Evergreens Foundation meeting. It was noted the Evergreens Foundation CAO would like to make a presentation to council regarding the foundation's goals and accomplishments.

Councillor McGrath attended a Jasper Community Team meeting and will attend the upcoming Community Conversations.

Mayor Ireland attended a volunteer recruitment event for the Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives and will attend the museum's upcoming annual general meeting.

Upcoming events Council received a list of upcoming events.

In camera #60/19 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED that council move in camera at 4:55 pm to discuss agenda item 13.1.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Ms. Nadon and Mr. Van Tighem were also present for the in camera agenda item.

Revert to open meeting #61/19 MOTION by Councillor McGrath – BE IT RESOLVED THAT council revert to open meeting at 5:26 pm.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Adjournment #62/19 MOTION by Councillor Journault– BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the regular meeting of March 19, 2019 be adjourned at 5:27 pm.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer