

Municipality of Jasper
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 9, 2019 | 9:30 am
Quorum Room, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empy, Councillors Jenna McGrath, Scott Wilson and Paul Butler
Absent	Councillors Bert Journault and Rico Damota
Also Present	Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance and Administration Neil Jones, Licensing and Enforcement Manager Fuchsia Dragon, The Fitzhugh Mike Merilovich, local business owner Two observers
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empy called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.
Additions	Council added the following item to today's agenda: - 11.1 In camera: Legal Matter Mr. Fercho also noted there will be a meeting of the Jasper Municipal Leasehold Assets Society following today's committee of the whole meeting. There will also be a meeting of the Culture and Recreation Services and Facilities Review Scoring Team following today's committee of the whole meeting.
Approval of Agenda	MOTION by Councillor Wilson to approve the agenda for April 9, 2019 as amended. CARRIED
Approval of Minutes	MOTION by Councillor McGrath to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2019 meeting as presented. CARRIED
Brief Updates: TAC Recommendation	Mr. Jones presented the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendations pertaining to the recommendations outlined in the Transportation Master Plan. Councillors noted they are in favour of focusing on speed limit reductions at this time and will review other possible edits to the Traffic Safety Bylaw later this year. An updated Traffic Safety Bylaw, focusing on reduced speed limits, is scheduled for first and second reading at the next regular meeting. Mr. Merilovich inquired about the enforcement of the proposed speed limits. Mr. Jones confirmed the RCMP that enforce speed limits.
Public Engagement on the Single-Use	Administration presented a public engagement process for the Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw. Councillors noted the importance of reaching all Jasper businesses and not just members of the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce.

Item Regulation Bylaw	Written submissions pertaining to the bylaw will be accepted until May 9 and included in a future report to council.
Council Budget Process Review	<p>Administration sought feedback with regards to the annual budget process.</p> <p>Councillors noted residents have requested that the public budget meetings be held earlier than late November. Councillors also indicated external and capital requests could be presented earlier, and that the process used to approve operating budget items encouraged healthy debate among Council and should be used again next year.</p>
Ad Hoc Legislative Committee	<p>Administration inquired if Council would be interested in establishing an ad hoc Legislative Committee to support the review and development of policies and bylaws for consideration by Council. Council indicated it was in favour of establishing this ad hoc committee.</p> <p>This item, including a waiver of notice, is scheduled to return for decision at the next regular meeting.</p>
Governance Training with Gord McIntosh – Scheduling	<p>Administration proposed several dates for governance training. Council indicated it would prefer July 16 or August 20 for the training.</p> <p>Administration will confirm with Parks Canada that the next intergovernmental meeting will be scheduled for the afternoon of May 14.</p> <p>Administration also proposed several dates for media training for emergencies. From the proposed dates, council indicated June 19 would work best for this training.</p> <p>Councillors also indicated they are in favour of creating a shared calendar to help with future scheduling. Administration suggested council could inform Ms. Byrne of any upcoming events or absences.</p>
Seniors’ Bus Update – Councillor Butler	Councillor Butler, Council’s appointed member to the Seniors’ Bus Ad Hoc Committee, recommended that the committee be dissolved at the next regular council meeting as the Evergreens Foundation has agreed to take over ownership and operation of the seniors’ bus from the Jasper Seniors Society, starting July 1.
Correspondence: Retailers left holding the bag – Mike Merilovich	Mike Merilovich, a local business owners, expressed concerns pertaining to the Single-Use Item Regulation Bylaw.
Seniors housing – Jasper Community Team	The Jasper Community Team noted that older adults in Jasper are seeking options to downsize from their larger family homes in order to age in place. At a recent Community Conversations, Councillor McGrath noted the Jasper Community Housing Corporation is working on this issue.

Council Representation on Various Boards	<p>Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey, on behalf of Councillor Journault, attended the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association's Annual General Meeting, where several resolutions were passed including one submitted by the Municipality of Jasper pertaining to electric vehicle chargers. Other resolutions passed included increasing cell phone reception between Valemount and Jasper; adding more pullouts and passing lanes on Highway 16 West; and adding more rest stops along Highway 16.</p> <p>Councillor McGrath attended a Jasper Municipal Library Board meeting and a Communities in Bloom meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Butler will be absent from the next meeting as he will attend an Alberta Seniors Communities and Housing Association conference as an Evergreens Foundation board member.</p>
Upcoming Events	Council received a list of upcoming events.
In Camera	<p>MOTION by Councillor McGrath to move in camera at 11:29 am to discuss agenda item 11.1. CARRIED</p> <p>Mr. Fercho attended the in camera session to provide administrative support.</p>
Revert to open meeting	<p>MOTION by Councillor Butler to revert to open meeting at 12:24 pm. CARRIED</p>
Adjournment	<p>MOTION by Councillor Wilson that, there being no further business, the meeting of April 9, 2019 be adjourned at 12:25 pm. CARRIED</p>