

Municipality of Jasper
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 8, 2019 | 9:30 am
Quorum Room, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Rico Damota, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empey, Paul Butler, Jenna McGrath, Scott Wilson and Bert Journault
Also Present	Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Neil Jones, Licensing and Enforcement Manager Greg Van Tighem, Director of Protective Services Kathleen Waxer, Director of Community and Family Services Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager John Greathead, Director of Operations Fuchsia Dragon, Fitzhugh
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Damota called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.
Approval of Agenda	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey to approve the agenda for October 8, 2019 as presented. CARRIED
Approval of Minutes	MOTION by Councillor Journault to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting as presented. CARRIED
Business Arising	Mayor Ireland inquired about the status of the trees by Mr. Netherton's property in Cabin Creek. Administration indicated that the trees were still in place. In response to an inquiry from Mayor Ireland, Mr. Fercho indicated that Council could direct Administration whether or not to conduct more research on the Traffic Safety Bylaw. This item is on hold until Council provides further direction to Administration.
Bylaw Enforcement Services Staff Designation	Mr. Jones presented a report including information requested by Council at a previous meeting. Councillors discussed the need to conduct a strategic service level review before making a decision on this item, and the need to ensure officers are properly trained and equipped to perform their duties in a safe manner, regardless of the outcome of a decision on position designation. Councillors encouraged Administration to include training and equipment costs in the upcoming 2020 operating budget.
Council Boards and Committees	Ms. Nadon proposed a new <i>Council Appointments to Boards and Committees</i> document in preparation for the upcoming organizational meeting. Councillors confirmed the boards and committees listed in the document were adequate, and requested that the Jasper Community Housing Corporation be presented under a different heading. Councillors discussed the need for more in-depth discussion on the structure and purpose of Council boards and committees. Administration will schedule a workshop to that effect.
Recess	Deputy Mayor Damota called a recess from 11:03 am to 11:13 am.
Correspondence	Council received a letter from Sergeant Rick Bidaisee of the Jasper Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment outlining the support role of Peace Officers in Jasper.

Council also received correspondence from Communities in Bloom announcing the results of the 2019 National and International competition, where the Municipality of Jasper received a 5 Blooms – Silver rating, a special mention for Grassroots Waste Reduction and an outstanding achievement award for the Community of Gardeners award.

Other new
business

Deputy Mayor Damota will circulate a list of topics he would like to see included in upcoming agendas for consideration.

Council
Representation on
Boards

Councillor Journault will attend a Culture and Recreation board meeting on October 9, and noted the lack of representation of youth on this board.

Councillor McGrath will attend a brunch and learn on social return on investment as well as community conversations on October 9.

Councillor Butler participated in a teleconference board meeting of the Evergreens Foundation last week, and attended a meeting in Wildwood the week before. A new facility will be developed in Hinton, and another facility is tentatively slated for development in Wildwood. Councillor Butler also noted that the Evergreens Foundation CAO, Kristen Chambers, will be presenting at the next council meeting on October 15.

Councillor Kelleher-Empey and Councillor Wilson attended a Community Futures West Yellowhead meeting in Edson last week. A strategic planning session is planned for December 6 at the Sawridge Inn in Jasper.

Upcoming Events

Council received a list of upcoming events. Mayor Ireland noted the addition of the grand opening of the new stage in Commemoration Park on October 18, and the No Stone Left Alone at the Jasper Cemetery on November 4.

In Camera

MOTION by Councillor McGrath that Council move in camera at 11:41 pm to discuss agenda items 12.1 Legal Matter – FOIP, s. 27; 12.2 Municipal Service Review – FOIP s. 24; and 12.3 Performance Evaluation – FOIP s. 17. CARRIED

Revert to Open
Meeting

MOTION by Councillor Wilson that Council revert to open meeting at 1:17 pm. CARRIED

Adjournment

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey that, there being no further business, the meeting of August 27, 2019 be adjourned at 1:17 pm. CARRIED