Municipality of Jasper

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 | 9:30am

Jasper Library and Cultural Centre, Quorum Room

Virtual viewing and participation

Council attendance is primarily back in Council chambers at the Jasper Library and Cultural Centre. This meeting was also conducted virtually and available for public livestreaming through Zoom. Public viewing and participation during Council meetings is

through Zoom livestreaming.

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Acting Deputy Mayor Wendy Hall, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Scott

Wilson and Rico Damota

Absent Councillors Kathleen Waxer and Helen Kelleher-Empey

Also present Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer

Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christopher Read, Director of Community Development Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration

Amanda Stevens, Communications Officer

Danny Frechette, Presenter Jason Stockfish, The Fitzhugh Bob Covey, The Jasper Local

4 observers

Call to Order Acting Deputy Mayor Hall called the April 12, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting to

order at 9:31am and began with a Traditional Land Acknowledgement.

Approval of agenda

#148/22

MOTION by Councillor Melnyk to approve the agenda for the April 12, 2022 Committee of

the Whole meeting as presented.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillor CARRIED

Approval of minutes

MOTION by Councillor Damota to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2022 Committee

of the Whole meeting with the following amendment:

#149/22 - In Motion 137/22 correct the number of votes to reflect the five Councillors present

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Business arising from minutes

Mayor Ireland inquired about the status of the Sidewalk Seating project. Mr. Given indicated that the request for a discretionary use permit was submitted to Parks Canada shortly after the Council Special Meeting. Mr. Given will follow up with Parks Canada staff

on the request.

Presentation Reforestation of Snape's Hill Danny Frechette presented a proposal to reforest Jasper's historic Snape's Hill. Mr. Frechette has coordinated volunteers to support the planting and watering of new trees on May 12, 2022, in support of an initiative spearheaded by Parks Canada. A consistent watering protocol will be established to ensure the trees can survive, which will

Project – Danny Frechette encourage local youth to water the new trees through a volunteer system. Preservation of the historic site and original trails is a priority.

Mr. Frechette is looking for Council support for the initiative, including sharing the duties of filling the water tank by the Operations Department and the Fire Department. Parks Canada also has a water truck, and will help ensure the tank gets filled on a regular basis.

#150/22

MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee recommend Council accept the presentation of Mr. Frechette with thanks; and that Council direct Administration to offer appropriate support to the Snape's Hill reforestation project proposal.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Everyone is invited to come to Snape's Hill on May 12 to observe or participate.

Mountain Makers Arts & Culture Mr. Read presented a report highlighting a request from Mountain Makers, and the relationship between the Municipality of Jasper and local non-profit organizations. Mr. Read presented proposed improvements to increase accessibility to municipal spaces, and more clarity and transparency with respect to relationship agreements with local groups.

Councillors inquired about whether or not Council should pursue advocacy with regards to artists having to meet the Parks Canada need to reside requirement; the role of Community Conversations in this discussion; and ensuring all local arts and culture groups are represented.

#151/22

MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee receive the Community Development Director Update report on the Mountain Makers presentation and the relationship between the Municipality and local non-profit organizations for information.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

West Yellowhead Regional Waste Management Authority (WYRWMA) #152/22 Mr. Given presented information to Council on the administrative and management structure of the WYRWMA. The Authority's board has approved the current proposal, and the agreements are now presented to each participating council for formal endorsement.

MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee recommend Council approve the West Yellowhead Regional Waste Management Authority and the Management Agreement in principle, as presented, and that committee direct the Mayor to confirm with other representatives of the board the understanding of the term Municipalities in clause 23.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Recess Acting Deputy Mayor Hall called a recess from 11:27am to 11:35am.

Parcel GB Development Information Mayor Ireland reiterated his conflict in this matter, and excused himself from Council Chambers. Mayor Ireland left the meeting at 11:35am.

Mr. Given contacted the developer to obtain information on the proposal, and was directed to Parks Canada for additional information. Parks Canada did not have the authority to disclose the information.

#153/22

MOTION by Councillor Melnyk that Committee receive the verbal report for information.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors O Councillors CARRIED

Mayor Ireland returned to the meeting at 11:38am.

RCMP Advocacy

Mayor Ireland received an invitation from the Edson Mayor Zahara to join a regional initiative to advocate to the province to maintain the services of the RCMP. Mayor Ireland is seeking endorsement from Council to participate in the initiative.

#154/22

MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee authorize the Mayor to engage with regional mayors in a joint advocacy initiative with respect to the GoA proposed transition to a provincial police service.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors O Councillors CARRIED

Correspondence #155/22

MOTION by Councillor Wilson that Committee accept the correspondence from the National Police Federation for information.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors O Councillors CARRIED

Motion Action List

Administration reviewed the Motion Action List, which included the removal of the Mountain Makers item addressed today.

#156/22

MOTION by Councillor Melnyk that Committee approve the updated Motion Action List as amended.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Councillor reports

Councillor Melnyk will attend the Jasper Yellowhead Historical Society monthly meeting tonight.

Councillor Hall will attend a Library board meeting tomorrow night. She will also be heading to Edmonton next weekend for a Friends of the Library casino fundraiser.

Councillor Wilson will attend the School Age Community Conversation tomorrow at 3pm.

Later this month Mayor Ireland will be attending a meeting put together by the Jasper Chamber of Commerce with four members of parliament; including MP Gerald Soroka, Shadow Minister for Tourism Michelle Ferrier, Deputy Shadow Minister for Tourism MP Bernard Genereux, and Shadow Minister for Finance MP Kelly McCauley. The meeting will also include local leaders, Chief Shelly Loring of Simpcw First Nation and more to be announced.

Mayor Ireland will be unable to attend the Arts and Culture Community Conversation on Wednesday, April 20th. Councillor Waxer is the alternate but unavailable. Acting Deputy Mayor Hall will attend.

Councillor Damota will be away for the April 19 meeting.

Upcoming Events

Council reviewed a list of upcoming events.

In Camera #157/22 MOTION by Mayor Ireland to move in camera at 11:59am to discuss agenda items:

12.1 Advice from Officials, personnel matter – FOIP s. 24(1)(b); 24(1)(d)

12.2 Deliberative matter, intergovernmental relations – FOIP, s. 21(1)

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mr. Given and Ms. Nadon also attended the in camera session.

Revert to open meeting

#158/22

MOTION by Councillor Melnyk that Committee of the Whole revert to open meeting at

12:57pm.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Adjournment #159/22

MOTION by Councillor Damota, there being no further business, the Committee of the

Whole meeting of April 12, 2022 be adjourned at 12:58pm.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED