

Municipality of Jasper
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 23, 2022 | 9:30am
Jasper Library and Cultural Centre, Quorum Room

Virtual viewing and participation	Council attendance is 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 and in person attendance.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Ralph Melnyk, Councillors Wendy Hall, Scott Wilson, and Kathleen Waxer		
Absent	Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empey and Rico Damota		
Also present	John Greathead, Director of Operations, Acting Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christopher Read, Director of Community Development Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager Amanda Stevens, Communications Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Jason Stockfish, The Fitzhugh 7 observers		
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Melnyk called the August 23, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 9:32am and began with a Traditional Land Acknowledgement .		
Additions to the agenda #360/22	MOTION by Mayor Ireland to add the following item to the agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none">7.8 Fruit Trees on Municipal Properties		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillor	CARRIED
Approval of agenda #361/22	MOTION by Councillor Waxer to approve the agenda for the August 23, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting as amended.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillor	CARRIED
Business arising from minutes	There was no business arising from the minutes of the August 9, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting which were attached to today's agenda for information. They were approved at the August 16, 2022 regular meeting.		
Delegations	none		
Correspondence – RCMP Quarterly Report	Council received a quarterly report from the Jasper RCMP. Director of Protective & Legislative Services, Christine Nadon, shared that she had the opportunity to speak with sergeant Rick Bidaisee during this past week. He hopes to attend a Council meeting in the fall to give an in person update. Council provided Ms. Nadon with questions to forward along to assist in preparation.		

#362/22	MOTION by Mayor Ireland to receive the RCMP quarterly report for information.			
	FOR	AGAINST		
	5 Councillors	0 Councillor		CARRIED
Correspondence – Parks Canada	Council received correspondence from Parks Canada inviting the Municipality to submit input, recommendations or concerns on the Town of Jasper Land Use Policy related to Private Home Accommodations.			
#363/22	MOTION by Councillor Wilson that Committee receive the correspondence for information and the correspondence return on the next meeting agenda.			
	FOR	AGAINST		
	5 Councillors	0 Councillor		CARRIED
RFD – Alberta Labour Project Update #364/22	Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager, provided Council with an update on the two year project funded by Alberta Labour and Immigration which began on April 1, 2022. The broad goal of the project is to promote successful newcomer integration in Jasper by enhancing the inclusivity of digital spaces.			
	MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee receive the Alberta Labour Project Update for information.			
	FOR	AGAINST		
	5 Councillors	0 Councillor		CARRIED
RFD – Report on Jasper Crisis Team #365/22	Director of Community Development, Christopher Read, reported to Council regarding the closing of the Jasper Victim Services unit. The Jasper Community Team Society is working to create a crisis team solution for Jasper. The Municipality's Community Outreach Services has been and continues to be called on to respond and provide service in crisis situations as they arise. Community Outreach Services has seen a significant increase in crisis support services needed and has started tracking those services.			
	MOTION by Councillor Waxer that Committee receive the report on the Jasper Crisis Team for information.			
	FOR	AGAINST		
	5 Councillors	0 Councillor		CARRIED
RFD – Welcoming Week Proclamation #366/22	Mr. Read presented a proclamation request to recognize Welcoming Week from Jasper's Local Immigration Partnership Coordinator within the department of Community Development.			
	MOTION by Councillor Waxer that Committee recommend Council proclaim September 9-18, 2022 Welcoming Week in Jasper and that administration return with a revised proclamation at the next regular meeting.			

	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillor	CARRIED
Recess	Deputy Mayor Melnyk called a recess from 10:25 to 10:33am.		
RFD – Community Conversations, April - June 2022 Report	Ms. Riddell presented a report on Community Conversations covering April – June 2022. Administration reported on the first quarter of Community Conversations in April 2022. In April, May and June of 2022, Community Development hosted 21 Community Conversations. There was a total of 63 unique participants recorded as attending an average of 2.4 conversations during the three-month period. Ms. Riddell identified success to date, opportunities to improve and unanticipated outcomes.		
#367/22	MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee direct Administration to explore opportunities for town wide internet access.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#368/22	MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee direct administration to investigate systems that would improve the sound quality of Council meetings.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#369/22	MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee direct administration to arrange an Indigenous education session for Council prior to September 30, 2022, National Day for Truth & Reconciliation as per Call to Action #57.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#370/22	MOTION by Councillor Waxer that Committee direct Administration to explore capacity to undertake the work identified by the Environmental Responsibility Community Conversation; and, if there is insufficient current capacity, to explore expanding capacity prior to budget 2023 discussions.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#371/22	MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee receive the Community Conversations, April - June 2022 report for information.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
September Meeting Schedule	Four Councillors have enrolled in Elected Officials Education Program courses on September 20, 2022, a day prior to the beginning of the Alberta Municipalities		

Convention & Tradeshow in Calgary. This would affect quorum for the regular meeting scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month.

#372/22

MOTION by Councillor Wilson that Committee recommend Council cancel the September 20, 2022 regular meeting.

FOR

AGAINST

5 Councillors

0 Councillors

CARRIED

Cabin Creek
Traffic

Councillor Waxer reported being approached by many residents with concerns about the speed of traffic in Cabin Creek and dangers in trying to cross the street.

#373/22

MOTION by Councillor Waxer that Committee direct Administration to address the safety concerns identified in Cabin Creek, and implement the recommendations based on consultation with the RCMP and the Bylaw Department.

FOR

AGAINST

5 Councillors

0 Councillors

CARRIED

Representation on
stakeholder
committee
proposed by
Jasper
Employment &
Education Centre
(JEEC)

At the August 16, 2022 Council approved municipal representation on a stakeholder committee proposed by the JEEC regarding the Rural Renewal Stream Initiative.

MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee appoint a Council member to the proposed stakeholder committee for the Rural Renewal Stream Initiative.

FOR

AGAINST

5 Councillors

0 Councillors

CARRIED

#374/22

Mayor Ireland appointed Councillor Waxer to the proposed stakeholder committee for the Rural Renewal Stream Initiative.

Fruit Trees on
Municipal
Property
#375/22

Director of Operations, John Greathead, reported to Council in regards to fruit trees on municipal property. Parks Canada has been responding to many wildlife encounters as bears are attracted to fruit with an especially active area in Cabin Creek. Operations is working in collaboration with Parks Canada to identify attractants immediately and take necessary measures to help keep residents and wildlife safe.

MOTION by Councillor Waxer that Committee receive the verbal report for information; and,

That Committee direct administration to return to a future committee of the whole meeting with proposed alternatives on how to deal with remaining fruit trees on municipal land.

FOR

AGAINST

5 Councillors

0 Councillors

CARRIED

Motion Action List

Administration reviewed the Motion Action List, which included updated target dates.

#376/22	MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee approve the updated Motion Action List.		
	FOR	AGAINST	
	5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
Councillor reports	none		
Upcoming Events	Council reviewed a list of upcoming events.		
Adjournment #377/22	MOTION by Councillor Wilson, there being no further business, the Committee of the Whole meeting of August 23, 2022 be adjourned at 12:51pm.		
	FOR	AGAINST	
	5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED