

Municipality of Jasper
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 28, 2025 | 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 Kathleen Waxer, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empy, Wendy Hall, Ralph Melnyk, Rico Damota and Scott Wilson
Absent	none
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Beth Sanders, Director of Urban Design & Standards Michael Fark, Director of Recovery Lucas Sherwin, Town Planner Isla Tanaka, Town Planner Logan Ireland, Recovery Project Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh Jacqui Sundquist, CBC Edmonton 15 observers
Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Waxer called the January 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 9:30am and began with a Traditional Land Acknowledgement .
Additions or deletions to agenda #50/25	MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee add the following item to the January 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">7.4 AB Munis President’s Summit on Civility & 2025 Spring Municipal Leader’s Caucus
	FOR 7 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED
Approval of agenda #51/25	MOTION by Mayor Ireland that Committee approve the agenda for the January 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting as amended: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Add 7.4 AB Munis President’s Summit on Civility & 2025 Spring Municipal Leader’s Caucus
	FOR 7 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED
Business arising from January 14, 2024 minutes	none

Correspondence – Governor General
Committee received correspondence from the Governor General of Canada conveying thanks to Mayor Ireland and admiration for the individuals she and her husband met at the Royal Canadian Legion, Alpine Seniors Summit Lodge, and the Jasper Municipal Library during her visit in October 2024.

#52/25
MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey that Committee receive the correspondence for information.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Director Report – Urban Design & Standards
Committee received a report from Director of Urban Design & Standards Beth Sanders reviewing the work accomplished between August and December of 2024. Highlights included details on town planning, housing, staffing, service trends, communications and engagement. The report can be found in the agenda package.

#53/25
MOTION by Councillor Melnyk that Committee receive the report for information.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

In-Town Contractor Camps, Interim Residences & Laydown Requests
Committee received a report from Administration on the need to address potential changes to legislation and plans for contractors and residents seeking temporary spaces within the townsite to support wildfire recovery efforts. CAO Bill Given reviewed the report with Director of Recovery Michael Fark and Ms. Sanders assisting in answering Committee questions.

#54/25
MOTION by Councillor Damota that Committee recommend Council support in principle the approach to In-Town Contractor Camps, Interim Residences, and Laydown Requests as proposed; and

That Committee direct Administration to return with legislative changes as required to implement the changes.

FOR	AGAINST	
7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED

Temporary Pop-Up Business Village for Displaced Businesses
Committee received a report regarding a Pop-Up Business Village concept, providing temporary spaces for wildfire impacted businesses to resume operations in a centralized and visible location. Town Planners Lucas Sherwin & Isla Tanaka were available to answer Committee questions, as was Recovery Project Manager Logan Ireland.

#55/25
MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee recommend Council approve the Pop-Up Business Village initiative on Connaught Drive public washrooms parking lot as presented.

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7 Councillors	0 Councillor	CARRIED

<p>AB Munis President's Summit on Civility & 2025 Spring Municipal Leader's Caucus #56/25</p>	<p>Councillor Melnyk requested Committee discuss his potential attendance at the AB Munis President's Summit on Civility & 2025 Spring Municipal Leader's Caucus coming up in March in Edmonton.</p> <p>MOTION by Councillor Hall that Committee recommend Council approve the attendance of Councillor Melnyk at the AB Munis President's Summit on Civility & 2025 Spring Municipal Leader's Caucus in Edmonton March 5-7, 2025.</p>						
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<p>Motion Action List #57/25</p>	<p>Administration reviewed the Motion Action List.</p> <p>MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey that Committee approve the updated Motion Action List with the removal of the following item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First section of Jasper Seniors Society item And a date change for the following item: • Second section of Jasper Seniors Society item 						
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<p>Councillor upcoming meetings</p>	<p>none</p>						
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>Council reviewed a list of upcoming events.</p>						
<p>Move In-camera #58/25</p>	<p>MOTION by Councillor Hall to move in-camera at 10:57am to discuss agenda items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11.1 Land Matter, Third Party Confidence FOIP s.16(1)(b) • 11.2 Intergovernmental Relations FOIP s.21(1)(a) 						
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<p>Move out of camera #59/25</p>	<p>MOTION by Councillor Melnyk to move out of camera at 12:54pm.</p>						
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<p>Adjournment #60/25</p>	<p>MOTION by Mayor Ireland that, there being no further business, the Committee of the Whole meeting of January 28, 2025 be adjourned at 12:54pm.</p>						
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