

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, May 21, 2024 | 1:30 pm
 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 both Zoom livestreaming and in-person attendance.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Kathleen Waxer, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Wendy Hall, Scott Wilson, Helen Kelleher-Empey and Rico Damota		
Absent	none		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christopher Read, Director of Community Development John Greathead, Director of Operations & Utilities Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh Bob Covey, The Jasper Local 8 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the May 21, 2024 Regular Council meeting to order at 1:30pm and acknowledged the work being done by the Municipality of Jasper's Inclusion Committee as today is the 'World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development' .		
Approval of agenda #231/24	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the May 21, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented:		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Legislative Committee meeting minutes #232/24	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024 Legislative Committee meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #233/24	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes #234/24	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence – Jasper Pride Festival Society and OUT Jasper	Council received correspondence from the Jasper Pride Festival Society and OUT Jasper with a request for the installation of non-standard crosswalks. Director Christopher Read spoke on behalf of the groups who were both hosting booths for the Summer Staff Welcome Event in Commemoration Park today.		
#235/24	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the request from the Jasper Pride Festival Society and OUT Jasper for non-standard crosswalks and refer the other requests to Administration.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED

Correspondence – RCMP Quarterly Report #236/24	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the RCMP Quarterly report for information.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Director’s Report – Protective & Legislative Services #237/24	Council received a report from Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christine Nadon highlighting recent work in major projects, events over Emergency Preparedness Week, changes to staffing and service trends updates. MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Compliance Deposit Request Waiver #238/24	MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council request Parks Canada waive or modify its compliance deposit requirement for the Connaught Affordable Housing project to support the development of affordable housing within the Municipality of Jasper; and That Council request Parks Canada review the potential to establish an ongoing program to waive or modify other fees and levies to support affordable housing projects in general.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Paid Parking Exemption for Indigenous Peoples #239/24	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to waive Paid Parking fees for individuals/families who display a Parks Canada-issued Indigenous Park Pass in their vehicle.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Re-allocation of Funds – Road Repair #240/24	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the reallocation of \$22,000 from the road repair capital budget to purchase a used 1 ½ ton smooth drum roller and trailer.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
National Public Works Week Proclamation #241/24	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2024 National Public Works Week.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess	Mayor Ireland called a recess from 2:35pm to 2:41pm.			
2024 Tax Rate Bylaw #242/24	CAO Bill Given provided a corrected page 29, with an updated table, for the agenda package which is attached to today’s meeting minutes. MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council maintain the current tax rate ratio for the 2024 tax year.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
#243/24	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council give first reading to Bylaw #261, the 2024 Tax Rate Bylaw, as amended with the corrected attachment.	FOR	AGAINST	

	7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
#244/24	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council give second reading to Bylaw #261, the 2024 Tax Rate Bylaw.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
ATCO Streetlight Conversion to LED Lighting #245/24	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the conversion of our current lighting infrastructure to LED technology; and That Council direct Administration use the Financial Stabilization Fund as a source of funding to proceed with the conversion of decorative street lights along with the LED conversion, with the savings from the LED conversion to replenish the Financial Stabilization Fund.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Notices of Motion	none		
Councillor Reports	<p>Councillor Wilson attended a webinar hosted by the Town of Banff regarding bylaws which affect housing and their land use bylaws.</p> <p>Councillors Waxer, Hall, and Damota attended Cultural Competency Training, along with Municipal staff, hosted by Mark Young Indigenous Relations Manager with Parks Canada this past Friday.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland delivered the State of the Municipality Address to the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce on May 8th at Cassio’s Restaurant.</p> <p>On May 15th Mayor Ireland met with Mayors and CAOs of the tourism-based communities in preparation for a meeting with the Minister of Tourism later this afternoon.</p>		
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.		
Adjournment #246/24	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of May 21, 2024 be adjourned at 3:35pm.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

**MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER
 BYLAW #261**

BEING A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO AUTHORIZE THE RATES OF TAXATION TO BE LEVIED AGAINST ASSESSABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER FOR THE 2024 TAXATION YEAR.

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WHEREAS at its meeting of December 19, 2023, the Council of the Municipality of Jasper prepared and adopted detailed estimates of the municipal revenues, expenditures and requisitions required for the year 2024;

AND WHEREAS the estimated expenditures, requisitions, services and surplus set out in the operating budget for the Municipality of Jasper for 2024 total \$29,059,376.

AND WHEREAS the 2024 estimated municipal revenues and transfers from all sources other than taxation are estimated at \$17,769,614 and the balance of \$11,289,762 to be raised by general municipal taxation.

	2024 Municipal Requisition	Prior Year (Over)/Under-levy	Total
Residential	\$2,837,794	(\$56,153)	\$2,781,641
Non-Residential	\$8,451,967	(\$150,911)	\$8,301,056
Total	\$11,289,762	(\$207,064)	\$11,082,697

AND WHEREAS the 2024 Alberta School Foundation requisition is \$5,768,534 be collected as follows:

	2024 ASFF Requisition	Prior Year (Over)/Under-levy	Total
Residential	\$2,897,656	(\$12,192)	\$2,885,464
Non-Residential	\$2,870,879	(\$8,582)	\$2,862,297
Total	\$5,768,534	(\$20,774)	\$5,747,760

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Jasper has received a requisition in 2024 in the amount of \$1,015,830 from the Evergreens Foundation to be collected as follows:

	2024 Evergreen Requisition	Prior Year (Over)/Under-levy	Total
Operating	\$431,688	(\$4,449)	\$427,239
Capital	\$584,141	\$0	\$584,141
Total	\$1,015,830	(\$4,449)	\$1,011,381