

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, February 3, 2026 | 1:30pm
 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 during Council meetings is through both Zoom livestreaming and in-person attendance. Public participation is facilitated through in-person attendance.		
Present	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Kathleen Waxer, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Kable Kongsrud, Danny Frechette, Laurie Rodger, and Wendy Hall.		
Absent	none		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Michael Fark, Director of Recovery Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration Beth Sanders, Director of Urban Design & Standards Stef Dolan, Construction Coordinator Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator 10 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the February 3, 2026 Regular Council meeting to order at 1:30pm and acknowledged that February is Black History Month.		
Additions or deletions to agenda	none		
Approval of agenda #40/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the February 3, 2026 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #41/26	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the January 20, 2026 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes	CAO Bill Given acknowledged a typo in the January 27, 2026 Committee of the Whole agenda package, which was corrected in Motion #35/26. The minutes reflect the corrected information.		
#42/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the January 27, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Business arising from minutes	none		
Delegations	none		
Correspondence	none		
Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre Progress Update	Council received a Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre progress update from Director of Recovery Michael Fark and Construction Coordinator Stef Dolan. Highlights include a summary of key recovery activities along with a more detailed look at construction coordination.		

#43/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre progress update for information.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Director’s Report – Protective & Legislative Services	Council received a department update from Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christine Nadon. Highlights included details on major projects within the Fire Department; Bylaw Enforcement staffing news; service trends; an update on the Council Chambers AV project; communications & engagement; and more.			
#44/26	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
2025 Property Tax Receivable/Write-Off Request #45/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the write off of \$10,802.15 for Property Tax receivable for Roll 500000 (Provincial Building).	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
February 17, 2026 Regular Council meeting schedule #46/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjust the start time for the February 17, 2026 Regular Council meeting from 1:30pm to 9:30am.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Family & Community Support Services Association of Alberta Representation #47/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the addition of representative of the Family & Community Support Services Association of Alberta to Councillor Waxer’s assigned committees.	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Notices of Motion	none			
Councillor Reports	<p>Councillor Hall attended a meeting of the Yellowhead Regional Library Board on January 26th and a Municipality of Jasper Library Board meeting on the 27th.</p> <p>Councillors Hall and Melnyk participated in a Zoom meeting with the Climate Caucus last week.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland, along with Councillors Hall; Kongsrud; Frechette; Rodger; and Melnyk, attended an Equity, Diversity & Inclusion workshop hosted by Community Development Manager Lisa Riddell and members of her team last Thursday.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland, Councillor Hall and others joined ATCO for an informal lunch this past Friday.</p> <p>Councillor Rodger attended a meeting of the Jasper Food Alliance on Monday.</p> <p>Councillors Melnyk and Frechette were in Hinton for a Community Futures West Yellowhead board meeting on January 22nd.</p> <p>Councillor Melnyk attended a meeting of the Jasper Partnership Initiative last week.</p>			

Mayor Ireland, along with Councillors Hall; Kongsrud; Frechette; Waxer; and Melnyk, participated in a course for elected officials on Emergency Management on January 23rd in Hinton.

Mayor Ireland, Councillors Kongsrud; Hall; Melnyk; and Waxer took part in NETMA on January 21st.

Mayor Ireland spoke at the opening of Buzzfest, hosted by the Jasper Artists Guild, on January 23rd.

Mayor Ireland had a virtual meeting with the Honourable Julie Dabrusin, the Minister responsible for the Parks Canada Agency, on January 28th.

Mayor Ireland spoke at the Jasper in January Street Party on January 31st.

Mayor Ireland did an interview with CBC following an announcement of the Honourable Eleanor Olszewski being confirmed as the federal lead for Jasper's recovery.

On January 22nd Councillor Waxer participated in an online course focused on the relationship between healthcare and municipalities.

Councillor Waxer attended the UpLift! Mural Festival event that was part of Jasper in January festivities on January 22nd.

Councillor Waxer participated in strategic planning sessions for Family & Community Support Services Association of Alberta on January 30th.

Upcoming events

Council received a list of upcoming events for information.

Adjournment
#48/26

MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of February 3, 2026 be adjourned at 2:45pm.

FOR
7 Councillors

AGAINST
0 Councillors

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer