## Municipality of Jasper

## **Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 | 9:30 am

Virtual viewing and participation

Due to the ongoing recovery following the Jasper Wildfire Complex this meeting was conducted virtually and available for public livestreaming through Zoom. All meeting attendees participated or observed by electronic means.

Present

Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Rico Damota, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empey, Kathleen Waxer, Scott Wilson, and Wendy Hall.

Absent

Councillor Ralph Melnyk

Also present

Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer

Christopher Read, Director of Community Development Beth Sanders, Director of Urban Design & Standards

Michael Fark, Director of Recovery

Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator

Bob Covey, The Jasper Local Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh Jacqui Sundquist, CBC Edmonton

18 observers

Call to order

Mayor Ireland called the September 24, 2024 Regular Council meeting to order at 9:31am.

Additions or deletions to agenda #404/24

MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that the following items be added to the September 24, 2024 Regular Council meeting agenda:

- 5.3 Debris Removal Update
- 9.2 In-camera item Land Matter FOIP s.21, 24

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Approval of agenda #405/24

MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the September 24, 2024 Regular Council meeting as amended.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Approval of Regular minutes #406/24 MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Correspondence none

Amendment to Recovery Effort Positions MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council amend motion #371/24 to read as follows:

#407/24

That Council approve the establishment of the following two-year term positions to support the social, economic and housing recovery efforts:

- One (1) full-time Recovery Operations Project Manager position
- One (1) full-time Finance Recovery Coordinator position
- One (1) full-time Recovery Liaison & Information Coordinator position
- One (1) full-time Housing/Social Recovery Manager position
- One (1) full-time Social Recovery Coordinator position
- One (1) full-time Administrative Coordinator position
- One (1) full-time Information Technology Coordinator position
- One (1) full-time Human Resource Coordinator position
- One (1) full time Small Business Recovery Coordinator

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Additional Recovery Positions

Council received a request for additional recovery positions from Administration. Director of Recovery Michael Fark and Director of Community Development each reviewed the rationale for their respective department requests.

#408/24

MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the establishment of the following additional positions to support the social and economic recovery efforts:

- Two (2) full-time Recovery Outreach Worker positions (2-year term); and
- One (1) full time Recovery Project Manager position (1-year term)

FOR AGAINST 6 Councillors 0 Councillors

**CARRIED** 

Debris Removal Update Council requested a verbal update from Administration regarding the progress being made on debris removal. Mr. Fark explained the need for a debris removal management plan within Jasper National Park and the considerations for the volume and nature of the debris. Administration is working on getting more information from the Insurance Bureau of Canada and ways to have this communicated to the public as efficiently as possible.

**Motion Action List** 

Administration reviewed the Motion Action List.

#409/24

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey that Council approve the updated Motion Action List with the removal of the following items:

- Financial Aid Recommendations
- Council Remuneration Review

And a target date of December 2024 for item:

Parcel CH Access Road & Spruce Avenue Development Tender Award

FOR AGAINST 6 Councillors 0 Councillors

CARRIED

Notices of Motion none

**Councillor Reports** 

Councillor Kelleher-Empey shared that residents of Alpine Summit Seniors Home are returning this week.

Upcoming events

Council received a list of upcoming events for information.

Move In-camera #410/24

MOTION by Councillor Hall to move in-camera at 10:36am to discuss added item:

• 9.2 Land Matter FOIP s. 21, 24

FOR AGAINST 6 Councillors 0 Councillors

CARRIED

Mr. Given, Mr. Fark, and Ms. Acorn also attended the in-camera session. MOTION by Councillor Damota to move out of camera at 11:06am.

Move out of camera #411/24

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Adjournment #412/24

MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of September 24, 2024 be adjourned at 11:06am.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mayor	
Chief Adı	ministrative Office