

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 1, 2026 | 1:30pm
Jasper Library & Cultural Centre, Quorum Room

Virtual viewing and participation Council attendance is in Council chambers at the Jasper Library & 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 Deputy Mayor Wendy Hall, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Kable Kongsrud, Laurie Rodger, and Danny Frechette.

Absent Mayor Richard Ireland, Councillor Kathleen Waxer

Also present Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer
Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services
Christopher Read, Director of Community Development
Doug Olthof, Director of Recovery
Leanne Pelletier, Acting Director of Urban Design & Standards
Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator
11 observers

Call to order Deputy Mayor Hall called the September 1, 2026 Regular Council meeting to order at 1:34pm.

Additions/
deletions to
agenda
#378/26 MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council add the following item to the September 1, 2026 Regular Council meeting agenda:
 • 6.8 Jasper Gymnastics Club

FOR AGAINST
4 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Approval of agenda
#379/26 MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the September 1, 2026 Regular Council meeting as amended.

FOR AGAINST
4 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Legislative
Committee
meeting minutes
#380/26 MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the draft minutes of the August 18, 2026 Legislative Committee meeting for information.

FOR AGAINST
4 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Approval of
Regular minutes
#381/26 MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the August 18, 2026 Regular Council meeting as presented.

FOR AGAINST
4 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Approval of
Committee of the
Whole minutes
#382/26 MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the August 25, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

FOR AGAINST
4 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Business arising
from minutes none

Delegations none

Correspondence none

Councillor Kongsrud joined the meeting by Zoom at 1:41pm.

Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre Progress Update #383/26	Council received a Jasper Recovery Coordination Centre progress update from Director of Recovery Doug Olthof reviewing key recovery activities and milestones achieved. MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Director’s Report – Urban Design & Standards #384/26	Council received a department update from Acting Director of Urban Design & Standards Leanne Pelletier. The report shared updates on development planning; housing; staffing; service trends; communications; engagement; and more. MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Rescinding Policy F-008: Encroachments #385/26	MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council rescind Policy F-008, Encroachments. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Access to Information and Protection of Privacy #386/26	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council read for the first time, Bylaw #287, being a bylaw of the Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta for the purpose of establishing the administrative function and set fees in relation to the Access to Information Act and the Protection of Privacy Act. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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#388/26	MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the Privacy Management Program as presented. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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2026 Bike Park Project Plan #389/26	MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the following support to the Jasper Park Cycling Association: • Up to \$125,000 cash contribution to be funded through debenture, • Up to \$10,000 gifts-in-kind; and • Up to \$90,000 in repayable loan. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>5 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Municipal Recovery Transition Framework #390/26	MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the extension of recovery positions as described in the Framework contingent on receiving funding for those recovery positions from the Provincial government. <table><tr><td>FOR</td><td>AGAINST</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>6 Councillors</td><td>0 Councillors</td><td>CARRIED</td></tr></table>	FOR	AGAINST		6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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#391/26	MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council dissolve the Recovery Advisory Committee following the conclusion of the closeout process outlined in the Framework.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
	Mayor Ireland joined the meeting at 2:27pm.		
Rescheduling of September 22, 2026 Committee meeting #392/26	MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council reschedule the September 22, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting to September 29, 2026.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Jasper Gymnastics Club	Councillor Rodger had requested this item be added to the agenda. Over the weekend Mayor & Council had residents share concerns regarding upcoming renovations at the Jasper Activity Centre which may affect user groups such as the Jasper Gymnastics Club. CAO Bill Given and Director of Community Development Christopher Read shared the status of the project and confirmed a builder has not yet been selected and there is not yet a schedule in place. They reassured Council they would work with all user groups to minimize any disruption to programs.		
Notices of Motion	none		
Councillor Reports	Mayor Ireland arrived late to the meeting as he attended the announcement for funding to recommission the lagoon at the Waste Water Treatment Plant with Eleanor Olszewski, Minister of Emergency Management & Community Resilience; and Minister responsible for Prairies Economic Development Canada. On August 28th Mayor Ireland participated in an interview for the documentary series “Fire from the Ground Up”. Mayor Ireland and Councillor Kongsrud attended a Firesmart lunch at Lake Edith on August 22nd. Mayor Ireland attended the “Rolling Barrage” breakfast on August 19th which is an annual coast to coast motorcycle ride in Canada to raise awareness to end the stigma that surrounds PTSD.		
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.		
Adjournment #393/26	MOTION by Councillor Kongsrud – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of August 18, 2026 be adjourned at 2:40pm.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer