

Municipality of Jasper  
**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
 Tuesday, October 15, 2024 | 9:30 am  
 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 Rico Damota, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empey, Kathleen Waxer, Ralph Melnyk, Scott Wilson, and Wendy Hall.		
Absent	none		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Michael Fark, Director of Recovery Christopher Read, Director of Community Development Lisa Riddell, Community Development Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Bob Covey, The Jasper Local Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh 21 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the October 15, 2024 Regular Council meeting to order at 9:30am.		
Additions or deletions to agenda #431/24	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council add the following item to the October 15, 2024 Regular Council meeting agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.4 Foodbank Locations</li> </ul>		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of agenda #432/24	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the October 15, 2024 Regular Council meeting as amended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add 6.4 Foodbank Locations</li> </ul>		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #433/24	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the October 8, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Delegations	none		
Correspondence	none		
	Councillor Damota joined the meeting at 9:37am.		
Joint Recovery Coordination Centre (JRCC) Update #434/24	Council received an update from Director of Recovery Michael Fark. The update included information on JRCC objectives, housing, debris removal, rebuilding plans, and more. The presentation is included in the agenda package.		
	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the presentation for information.		
	FOR 7 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED

Community & Economic Development Fund Policy Review	Council received a request for decision from the Community Development Department regarding proposed edits to B-117 Community & Economic Development Fund Policy. Director of Community Development Christopher Read and Community Development Manager Lisa Riddell reviewed the policies objectives, background, proposed edits, and answered Council questions.						
Recess	Mayor Ireland called a recess from 10:47am to 11:00am.						
Community & Economic Development Fund Policy Review #435/24	<p>MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to leave the current B-117 Community &amp; Economic Fund Policy as is; and</p> <p>That Council direct Administration to bring back a new Wildfire Recovery Community &amp; Economic Development Policy to a future meeting.</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">FOR</td> <td style="width: 33%;">AGAINST</td> <td style="width: 33%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>5 Councillors</td> <td>2 Councillors (Damota, Waxer)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		5 Councillors	2 Councillors (Damota, Waxer)	CARRIED
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Activity Centre Renovation Update #436/24	<p>Council received a report from Administration sharing details on the Activity Centre Renovation Project. Mr. Read went over a WSP briefing report, discussed timelines, and answered Council questions.</p> <p>MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the update for information.</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">FOR</td> <td style="width: 33%;">AGAINST</td> <td style="width: 33%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>6 Councillors</td> <td>0 Councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table> <p>Mayor Ireland was briefly absent during the vote, but returned as it was completed.</p>	FOR	AGAINST		6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Foodbank Locations #437/24	<p>Mr. Read brought forward an added agenda item from the Community Development department. The Jasper Food Bank was housed in the Anglican Church which was one of the buildings lost in the Jasper Wildfire Complex. The food bank has temporarily been running out of the Jasper Legion building. Food Banks Alberta is working to bring a temporary trailer setup to accommodate the Jasper Food Bank within the townsite.</p> <p>MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to work with food banks Alberta to identify a location and support them in setting up a temporary location for the Jasper Food Bank.</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">FOR</td> <td style="width: 33%;">AGAINST</td> <td style="width: 33%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>7 Councillors</td> <td>0 Councillors</td> <td style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</td> </tr> </table>	FOR	AGAINST		7 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
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Notices of Motion	none						
Councillor Reports	<p>Councillor Kelleher-Empey attended an Evergreens Foundation meeting on Thursday and a Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association meeting on Friday.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland met with media from CBS on Wednesday who are working on a documentary piece on the Jasper Wildfire Complex.</p> <p>Mayor Ireland met with Member of Parliament Randy Boissonnault on Thursday for a media announcement concerning rent relief which took place at Marmot Basin. Councillors Damota, Melnyk, and Wilson joined them for dinner that evening.</p>						
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.						

Adjournment  
#438/24

MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of October 15, 2024 be adjourned at 11:51am.

FOR  
7 Councillors

AGAINST  
0 Councillors

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer