

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 15, 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	Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Wendy Hall, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Kable Kongsrud, Kathleen Waxer, and Danny Frechette.		
Absent	Councillor Laurie Rodger		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Natasha Malenchak, Director of Finance & Administration Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator George Andrew, The Astoria Hotel Rico Damota, Resident Bob Covey, The Jasper Local 28 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the September 15, 2026 Regular Council meeting to order at 1:30pm and acknowledged that today is the International Day of Democracy with the theme for 2026 being, “Bring human rights into focus and focus on deliberative democratic processes and citizen engagement.”		
Additions/ deletions to agenda #401/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council add the following item to the September 15, 2026 Regular Council meeting agenda: • 6.4 Request for review of Astoria Hotel tax arrears penalties • 5.2 Town of Hinton correspondence		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of agenda #402/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the September 15, 2026 Regular Council meeting as amended.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #403/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the September 1, 2026 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes #404/26	MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the September 8, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Business arising from minutes	none		
Delegations	Council received delegate George Andrew, owner and manager of the Astoria Hotel, who wished to speak to added agenda item 6.4. Mr. Andrew attended the meeting to make an appeal regarding unpaid taxes and penalties incurred. He stated he believed the penalties were unfair and provided a four-page handout which is attached to these meeting minutes.		

	Rico Damota attended the meeting and spoke in support of Mr. Andrew and his request.		
Correspondence - CN Proclamation Request #405/26	Council received correspondence from CN Rail requesting that Council proclaim September 21-27, 2026 Rail Safety Week. MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council proclaim September 21-27, 2026 Rail Safety Week.	FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence – Town of Hinton #406/26	Correspondence was received from the Town of Hinton after the publication of the agenda on Friday. The request for a Letter of Support for the retention of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Team in Hinton was formally added today. MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the correspondence for information; and That Council provide a letter of support endorsing the continuation of stable multi-year funding for the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Team and supporting its retention in Hinton.	FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
National Resilience Day™ Proclamation #407/26	Mayor Ireland provided correspondence to be attached to the minutes which contains more information about the first-time proclamation request from organizer Dr. Alan Lycka. The request was first discussed at the September 8, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting. MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council proclaim September 24, 2026 as “National Resilience Day™” in Jasper.	FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Access to Information and Protection of Privacy #408/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council read for the third 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.	FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Arnica Avenue Servicing Cost Recovery Policy #409/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve B-129, the Arnica Avenue Servicing Cost Recovery Policy as presented.	FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess	Mayor Ireland called a recess from 2:32pm to 2:45pm.		
Request for review of Astoria Hotel tax arrears penalties #410/26	CAO Bill Given and Director of Finance & Administration answered Councillor questions regarding the Astoria Hotel taxes. Mayor Ireland relinquished the Chair to Deputy Mayor Hall in order to make the following motion. MOTION by Mayor Ireland – BE IT RESOLVED that pending receipt of payment of all outstanding tax arrears and penalties in relation to the Astoria Hotel, Council refer to Committee of the Whole a consideration of a possible refund of penalties to the Astoria Hotel and a review of Bylaw #40.		

	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
	Deputy Mayor Hall returned the Chair to Mayor Ireland.		
Notices of Motion	none		
Councillor Reports	Councillor Hall attended a Library Board meeting last night. The Board discussed Bill 28 and its implications for staffing. Councillor Frechette reported that the events for Communities in Bloom were successful last week. Councillors Melnyk and Kongsrud participated in the Community Futures West Yellowhead Business Walk last week, with over 40 businesses being included. On September 4th, Mayor Ireland and CAO Bill Given had a virtual meeting with their counterparts in Banff and Canmore to help in preparing for the AB Munis convention taking place in Edmonton September 22nd-25th. Mayor Ireland attended the Communities in Bloom welcome BBQ on September 9th, toured with the judges the next morning, and also enjoyed the events at the Jasper Municipal Library and Earls on September 10th. Mayor Ireland shared thanks for staff members Lisa Daniel and Amanda Stevens who helped organize an event for managers and directors on September 11th.		
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.		
Adjournment #411/26	MOTION by Councillor Hall – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of September 15, 2026 be adjourned at 3:40pm. FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED		

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

September 11, 2026

Municipality of Jasper
Mayor & Council
303 Pyramid Lake Rd,
Jasper, AB T0E 1E0

**ATTACHMENT to September 15, 2026
Regular Council meeting minutes**

**RE: Request for Letter of Support
Retention of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Team in Hinton**

The Town of Hinton is writing to request your Council's support for the continued long-term provincial funding and retention of Alberta's Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Team in Hinton.

Since its establishment in 2025, the Hinton-based WUI Team has grown into an important regional and provincial wildfire resource. The four-person team supports wildfire response, structure protection, FireSmart™ programming, critical infrastructure planning, prescribed burn planning, municipal assessments, and wildfire training across Alberta. The team has deployed to incidents throughout the province while continuing to build local and regional wildfire resilience through practical mitigation and preparedness initiatives.

As municipalities across west-central Alberta know firsthand, wildfire risk does not respect municipal boundaries. Our communities share forests, transportation corridors, emergency mutual-aid relationships, and many of the same challenges and risks of wildfire. The value of the WUI Team is therefore regional in nature: it provides specialized personnel and expertise that can be deployed where they are needed while also supporting prevention, preparedness and regional training before wildfire emergencies occur.

Recent wildfire research further reinforces the importance of maintaining this capability in Hinton. The Strategic Vulnerability Analysis identifies Hinton as one of Alberta's communities with significant wildfire evacuation vulnerability and places Hinton alongside other high-vulnerability communities including Jasper, Edson, Fox Creek and Grande Cache.

For these reasons, the Town believes the Province of Alberta should retain this established provincial resource in our region. The team is already operational, integrated with Alberta Wildfire, connected to regional municipalities, and equipped to continue delivering training, mitigation initiatives, and structure protection expertise.

We respectfully ask your Council to consider providing a letter of support endorsing the continuation of stable multi-year funding for the WUI Team and supporting its retention in Hinton. Your letter would strengthen a regional advocacy effort demonstrating that neighbouring municipalities view this team as a shared emergency management and wildfire resilience resource.

For convenience, we have attached a briefing note outlining the team's accomplishments and the rationale for retaining the team in Hinton. We would be pleased to provide any additional information or attend a Council meeting should that be helpful.

Thank you for considering this request and for your continued partnership in strengthening wildfire preparedness and community resilience throughout our region.

Sincerely,



Brian LaBerge
Mayor

Hinton Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Team Funding

Adopted: September 1, 2026

Target: Province of Alberta

Background

In March 2025, the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services approved a multi-year grant for the Town of Hinton to establish a Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) support team in Alberta. This initiative reflects a shared commitment to strengthening wildfire preparedness and mitigation capacity in high-risk areas of Alberta.

The Town hired four full-time firefighters to form the WUI team. Working with the Government of Alberta, the team supports wildfire response, prevention, planning, and training activities that complement broader provincial wildfire management efforts. Services include:

- Provincial and interprovincial wildfire response
- Wildfire prevention and FireSmart™ programs
- Reviews of municipal sprinkler and community protection plans
- Support to the provincial WUI Advisory Committee

Since its establishment, the Hinton WUI team has contributed to wildfire response readiness, mitigation, public education, and training. These efforts support reduced risk to residents, infrastructure, and the economy, while aligning with provincial objectives related to community resilience and wildfire risk reduction.

The current grant funding is scheduled to conclude on March 31, 2027. Without continued support, there is a risk of losing an established and effective program that contributes to both local preparedness and broader system resilience.

Analysis

As wildfire risk and wildfire incidents continue to increase across Alberta, the location of WUI resources is critical to effective mitigation and preparedness efforts. Hinton's location makes it a strategically important base for a WUI team, enabling efficient support to multiple communities identified as having some of Alberta's highest wildfire risk. A [University of Alberta study](#) ranked Nordegg, Hinton, Jasper, Grande Cache, and Fox Creek as the province's communities most vulnerable to wildfire. Hinton is the closest WUI team to Jasper, Grande Cache, and Fox Creek, positioning it to support wildfire mitigation and preparedness across a significant portion of Alberta's highest-risk corridor. Hinton is the second-closest WUI team to Nordegg and could provide additional support when required. Together, these factors make Hinton a critical regional hub for wildfire mitigation, preparedness, and resilience.

The Hinton WUI team is delivering measurable results and demonstrating clear value within Alberta's wildfire management framework.

The team has responded to wildfire incidents across Alberta, including Redwater, Swan Hills, Red Earth Creek and High Level, serving in roles such as WUI Boss, WUI Member, Task Force Leader, Division Supervisor, Branch Director and Structure Protection Specialist. This operational experience demonstrates the team's ability to integrate effectively with Alberta Wildfire and incident management structures, supporting coordinated provincial response efforts.

Hinton WUI members support the provincial WUI Advisory Committee through participation in training and structure protection specialist working groups. They provide technical expertise and recommendations that help inform provincial WUI practices.

The team is also strengthening local and provincial fire resilience through four key areas:

1. Fuel mitigation and FireSmart™: The team has completed vegetation management and wildfire risk-reduction projects and targeted community cleanup initiatives. This work aligns with provincial priorities to reduce wildfire intensity and improve community defensibility in the wildland-urban interface.

2. Property-level risk reduction: All four team members are certified FireSmart™ Home Assessors, and three are certified FireSmart™ Home Assessment instructors. This allows the team to deliver assessor training across Alberta, helping expand provincial assessment capacity.

3. Preparedness and planning: The team has assessed critical infrastructure, supported resource and staging plans, and identified opportunities for prescribed burns and fuel management projects. Multiple prescribed burns have been completed in Hinton and the surrounding area. The team has also worked with Alberta Wildfire on mutual-aid initiatives and completed structure protection pre-planning and reporting in collaboration with Forestry and Alberta Parks for various Government of Alberta assets.

4. Training and workforce development: The WUI team has delivered training programs to firefighting personnel across Alberta. The team has taught about 100 students including WUI Member and WUI Boss courses in municipalities across Alberta, cross-training initiatives with Alberta Wildfire, mentorship to Lakeland College students and training for local fire department members. This work strengthens local and provincial expertise and contribute to Alberta's broader wildfire response workforce.

Without sustained funding, Hinton and the Province risk losing highly trained personnel, reducing wildfire mitigation capacity, and weakening preparedness efforts at a time of increasing wildfire risk. The impact would extend beyond Hinton, given the team's strategic role in supporting several of Alberta's highest-risk communities.

Continued investment would support the transition to a sustainable service model, retain specialized expertise, and expand mitigation and FireSmart™ programming. Stable funding, permanent staffing, and stronger regional and provincial integration would build on current successes, strengthen preparedness in Alberta's highest-risk communities, and ensure the Hinton WUI team continues to advance wildfire resilience across the province.

Recommendation

That the Province of Alberta provides stable, multi-year funding to sustain the Hinton WUI team, supporting personnel retention, equipment, training, and response capacity, and enabling expanded mitigation and FireSmart™ programming, and continued regional and provincial integration aligned with wildfire resilience priorities.

From: Dr. Allen Lycka <baslcjsm@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, 10 September 2026 07:27:46
To: Richard Ireland <rireland@jasper-alberta.ca>
Subject: Re: Jasper Has Lived Resilience — An Invitation for September 24

Thank you very much for presenting this to Committee of the Whole, and please extend my appreciation to the Committee for recommending that Council consider approval on September 15.

The questions raised are important, and I am grateful for the opportunity to clarify them. Most importantly, **there is no financial obligation to Jasper, no requirement to organize an event, and no expectation that Jasper or its residents participate in any commercial activity.**

1. Sharing a Jasper story of resilience

There is absolutely **no requirement or expectation that Jasper provide a story.**

My suggestion came from enormous respect for what Jasper residents have experienced and how the community has responded. I believe Jasper has something meaningful to teach Canadians about resilience, rebuilding and what happens after the immediate crisis has passed.

If Jasper wished to participate in this aspect, I would envision it being entirely **voluntary and community-led.**

The Municipality could identify a resident, family, first responder, business owner, community organization or other individual who wished to tell their story. Alternatively, the Municipality could simply share a broader story about Jasper's collective experience rather than identifying any individual.

Any individual story would only be shared **with the express permission of the person involved.** There would be no requirement to disclose private or sensitive information.

The format could be as simple as a short written story, photograph, quotation or brief video. It could be shared through National Resilience Day™ communications, social media or media outreach as an example of Canadian resilience. **Nothing would be published or distributed without the appropriate consent, and Jasper would have no obligation to participate in this component at all.**

The purpose is not to commercialize Jasper's experience. It is to allow Canadians facing their own unexpected adversity to hear from people and communities who can authentically say: **life changed, and we found a way forward.**

2. What does being a Founding National Resilience Community mean?

"Founding" simply recognizes communities participating during the inaugural year of National Resilience Day™.

It is **not a financial designation, sponsorship category or contractual commitment.**

For Jasper, it could mean simply proclaiming or recognizing September 24 as National Resilience Day™ and, if Council wishes, encouraging residents and local organizations to participate in an Act of Resilience™.

There is no required event, program, expenditure or ongoing obligation.

We are inviting communities across Canada to participate in the inaugural year, including communities that have experienced wildfire, flood, economic disruption, loss and other significant adversity, as well as major metropolitan centres and smaller communities.

My hope is that the founding group reflects the diversity of Canada—from large cities to small communities and from every province and territory.

Jasper would be recognized as one of the communities that helped establish the national movement in its first year. That recognition would **not convey any commercial rights or obligations.**

3. National Resilience Day™ and the trademark

I particularly appreciate this question because I would not want Council to have any concern about Jasper's experience being commercialized.

The ™ **does not mean that Jasper, Council or residents would be charged to use the term National Resilience Day™ in connection with their participation.**

There is **no licensing fee for Jasper to participate**, no fee to issue a proclamation, no fee for residents to perform Acts of Resilience™, and no expectation that the Municipality purchase anything.

The purpose of identifying National Resilience Day™ as a protected initiative is to preserve the identity and integrity of the national movement—not to claim ownership over resilience itself, over Jasper's experience, or over the stories of Jasper residents.

Jasper's story belongs to Jasper and its people.

Participation would not transfer ownership of a resident's story, image, experience or other material to me or to the initiative. Any use of an individual story would be voluntary and subject to permission.

Nor would Jasper's proclamation authorize the initiative to commercially exploit the Municipality's name, logo, residents or experience.

I completely understand Council's concern that the extraordinary adversity Jasper has experienced should not become a vehicle for third-party commercialization. **That is not what I am asking Jasper to participate in.**

What I am asking is much simpler.

On September 24, Canadians will be encouraged to recognize resilience and perform meaningful **Acts of Resilience™**—checking on someone going through a difficult time, supporting a caregiver, thanking a first responder, helping a neighbour, recognizing someone rebuilding after loss or simply reaching out to someone who needs support.

Our national proclamation language describes resilience as the capacity to **adapt, recover, rebuild and move forward with hope and purpose when life changes unexpectedly.**

Few Canadian communities understand those words more deeply than Jasper.

It would be an honour to have Jasper among the communities recognizing the inaugural National Resilience Day™ on September 24.

Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to clarify these points before Council's September 15 meeting.

Warmly,

Allen S. Lycka

Founder

When Life Changes Everything™ National Resilience Initiative

National Resilience Day™ — September 24

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On Wed, Sep 9, 2026 at 3:01 PM Richard Ireland <rireland@jasper-alberta.ca> wrote:

Dear Dr Lycka,

As indicated, I presented your email to Committee of the Whole yesterday. A motion was carried to recommend Council approve the request at our regular meeting of September 15. A few questions were raised during the Committee meeting which hopefully you can address prior to September 15:

1. **Sharing a Jasper story of resilience** that could inspire Canadians facing their own unexpected adversity;

All Jasper residents are, of course, free to share their stories of resilience. What expectation do you have in this regard and how do you envision it being realized? Who would share stories? In what format? for what publication or circulation? And under what terms or conditions?

2. Joining us as a Founding National Resilience Community

what might be entailed in being a "founding" community? What other communities might be "founding" communities?

3. I further note that your original email signifies National Resilience Day as having been trademarked, with you personally identified as the founder. Is use of the term therefore either restricted or monetized by the trademark? I do not expect Council to be inclined to allow the experience and resilience of our community and its residents to be made subject to commercialization, monetization, or third party profit regardless of goodwill behind the initiative.

I look forward to your responses in order that I may better inform my council colleagues.

Richard Ireland

Mayor

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Municipality of Jasper

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The Town of Jasper respectfully acknowledges that we live, work, and gather in a beautiful valley where three rivers meet - this place we cherish is Treaty 6 and Treaty 8 territory, and within the Jasper House Métis District. For generations, this land has been a place of movement and connection - a meeting ground, gathering place, travelling route, home and ancestral burial grounds for the Dane-zaa, Aseniwuche Winewak, As'iní'wa'chi Ni'yaw, Nêhiyawak, Anishinaabe, Secwépemc, and Îyethka Nakoda Wîcastabi along with Mountain Métis and Métis peoples. We honour and recognize these deep and enduring relationships with the land - relationships that continue today and have existed since time immemorial.

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September 14, 2026

VIA: Personal Delivery/Email

Municipality of Jasper

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Attention: Taxation Department and Municipal Council

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Astoria Hotel - Request for Review of Tax Arrears and Penalty Calculations

We are writing on behalf of George Andrew & Sons Ltd., operating as the Astoria Hotel, to respectfully request a review of the tax arrears and penalty calculations associated with the above-noted property.

First and foremost, George Andrew & Sons Ltd. acknowledges its responsibility to pay municipal property taxes and remains committed to resolving the outstanding balance. We are currently finalizing financing arrangements that are intended to facilitate repayment of the account. While this financing will enable us to address the arrears, it will also impose significant additional borrowing costs and long-term financial obligations on our business. Our efforts to secure this funding reflect a sincere commitment to working cooperatively with the Municipality and bringing the account into good standing.

The circumstances that gave rise to the arrears were not the result of a deliberate decision to avoid municipal tax obligations. Rather, they arose during an unprecedented period of hardship affecting the tourism and hospitality sector in Jasper. Between 2020 and 2026, the Astoria Hotel was impacted by three successive economic shocks: the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2022 Chetamon Mountain Wildfire, and the continuing effects of the 2024 Jasper Wildfire. Collectively, these events significantly affected tourism activity, revenues, operations, and the overall financial stability of businesses throughout the community.

We respectfully ask that the Municipality consider the broader context in which these arrears arose. Information we have reviewed suggests that a substantial portion of the current balance may consist of accumulated penalties rather than unpaid tax principal. We are not seeking relief from taxes properly levied by the Municipality. Rather, our

request is focused on the impact of compounded penalties that accrued during a period of extraordinary economic disruption.

We also note that Jasper's penalty regime is comparatively more onerous than those adopted by many other Alberta municipalities. Materials we have reviewed indicate that municipalities such as Lethbridge, Rocky View County, Banff, Canmore, Hinton, and Edmonton apply arrears penalty structures ranging from approximately 12% to 15%, whereas Jasper's bylaw permits current-year penalties of up to 18%, together with an additional 18% annual arrears penalty.

In addition, Canadian municipalities have previously exercised discretion to waive, defer, or reduce property tax penalties and interest when businesses faced extraordinary hardship arising from COVID-19. Examples include Winnipeg's temporary waiver of property tax penalties, Toronto's property tax penalty and interest relief programs for businesses experiencing severe financial hardship, and Calgary's penalty-free property tax deferral measures. These precedents demonstrate that municipal councils have, where circumstances warranted, recognized that strict enforcement of penalty regimes may not always best serve the public interest during periods of exceptional economic disruption.

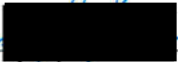
We fully recognize that the Municipality is entitled to establish and administer its own taxation and penalty framework. However, given the unique and successive hardships experienced by both our business and the Jasper community over the past several years, we respectfully ask Council to consider whether discretionary relief may be appropriate in these circumstances.

Our objective is straightforward: to pay the municipal tax obligations owing, resolve the arrears through financing currently being arranged, and ensure the long-term viability of a historic downtown Jasper business while avoiding unnecessary hardship arising from accumulated penalties. We remain committed to working constructively and collaboratively with the Municipality toward a practical and mutually beneficial solution.

We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to discuss this matter further and would welcome a meeting with Council to review the account and explore potential options for resolution.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and continued service to the Jasper community.

Yours truly,
GEORGE ANDREW & SONS LTD.
o/a ASTORIA HOTEL

Per: 
George Andrew

APPEAL FOR RELIEF OF PENALTIES

I believe that the penalties at 39.2% compounded are unfair

The town of Jasper has suffered through three successive economic shocks from 2020 to 2024 which have negatively impacted the tourism sector in the profitable summer season

As a result the Astoria Hotel has struggled with the ability to pay the municipal tax bill.

The total municipal levy from 2020 to 2026 is \$945 thousand dollars

We have paid \$671 thousand dollars towards our tax bill

This leaves \$274 thousand outstanding on the levy

Our current invoice for taxes and penalties is \$644 thousand

Of that \$383 thousand is the penalty compounded at 39.2%

If the arrears were penalized at 3% per month from July to December, which is 18% per year I calculate that the total penalty for periods of late payment would amount to \$101 thousand over the period in question.

With the levy of \$945 thousand plus penalty of \$101 thousand is a total of \$1 million forty-six thousand less the payments of \$671 thousand leaves \$375 thousand.

I have brought a cheque in favor of the Municipality of Jasper in the amount of \$380 thousand.

I respectfully request that the council entertain a motion to accept my cheque in the amount of \$380 thousand dollars subject to the accuracy of my calculations as complete payment for the taxes and arrears owed to the Municipality of Jasper as at the 15th of September 2026.

As the council is aware it is within your authority to adjust any and all owed taxes and penalties

I have been told that administration will advise against any relaxation or reduction to the taxes owed so there is no need to belabour that argument.

This deliberation may initiate a long overdue review of the taxation policies and regulations of the municipality for the good of commercial and residential ratepayers thereby encouraging a healthier tourism industry and a more sustainable economic environment for the community of Jasper.

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
1-Jan-20			\$10,662.74		
1-Feb-20			\$10,662.74		
1-Mar-20			\$10,662.74		
1-Apr-20			\$10,662.74		
2-Apr-20			-\$10,662.74		
15-Jul-20	\$125,469.14				
3-Sep-20		\$2,484.55			
2-Oct-20		\$2,484.55			
2-Nov-20		\$2,484.55			
4-Dec-20		\$2,484.55			
	\$125,469.14	\$9,938.20	\$31,988.22	\$135,407.34	-\$103,419.12

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
4-Jan-21					
15-Jul-21	\$115,377.67				
17-Aug-21		\$3,461.33			
18-Aug-21			\$50,000.00		
17-Sep-21		\$3,461.33			
17-Oct-21		\$3,461.33			
10-Dec-21		\$3,461.33			
24-Dec-21		\$3,461.33			
	\$115,377.67	\$17,306.65	\$50,000.00	\$132,684.32	\$82,684.32

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
1-Jan-22					
31-Mar-22			\$25,000.00		
3-Jun-22			\$25,000.00		
15-Jul-22	\$120,735.98				
18-Jul-22			\$120,735.98		
18-Aug-22		\$3,622.08			
31-Aug-22			\$50,000.00		
16-Dec-22		\$3,622.08			
	\$120,735.98	\$7,244.16	\$220,735.98	\$127,980.14	-\$92,755.84

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
2020	\$125,469.14	\$9,938.20	\$31,988.22	\$135,407.34	-\$103,419.12
2021	\$115,377.67	\$17,306.65	\$50,000.00	\$132,684.32	\$82,684.32
2022	\$120,735.98	\$7,244.16	\$220,735.98	\$127,980.14	-\$92,755.84
2023	\$125,451.09	\$22,581.18	\$35,000.00	\$148,032.27	\$113,032.27
2024	\$146,016.14	\$26,282.91		\$172,299.05	
2025	\$147,136.55	\$17,656.40	\$10,000.00	\$164,792.95	\$154,792.95
2026	\$164,331.00		\$323,331.00	\$164,331.00	-\$159,000.00
	\$944,517.57	\$101,009.50	\$671,055.20	\$1,045,527.07	\$374,471.87

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
20-Jan-23					
6-Feb-23			\$10,000.00		
9-Jun-23	\$125,451.09				
19-Jul-23		\$3,763.53			
18-Aug-23		\$3,763.53			
18-Sep-23		\$3,763.53			
5-Oct-23			\$25,000.00		
18-Oct-23		\$3,763.53			
20-Nov-23		\$3,763.53			
18-Dec-23		\$3,763.53			
	\$125,451.09	\$22,581.18	\$35,000.00	\$148,032.27	\$113,032.27

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
1-Jan-24			\$0.00		
6-Jun-24	\$146,016.14	\$26,282.91			
	\$146,016.14	\$26,282.91		\$172,299.05	

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
12-Mar-25			\$10,000.00		
17-Mar-25			\$0.00		
13-Jun-25	\$147,136.55				
24-Jul-25		\$4,414.10			
20-Aug-25		\$4,414.10			
20-Sep-25		\$4,414.10			
17-Dec-25		\$4,414.10			
	\$147,136.55	\$17,656.40	\$10,000.00	\$164,792.95	\$154,792.95

Date	levy	Penalty	Payment	Levy + penalty	Levy - Payment
8-Jan-26			\$75,000.00		
9-Jan-26					
15-Jun-26	\$164,331.00				
8-Jul-26			\$164,331.00		
1-Aug-26			\$42,000.00		
01-Sep-26			\$42,000.00		
	\$164,331.00		\$323,331.00	\$164,331.00	-\$159,000.00

\$374,471.87 total taxes & penalties if an 18% penalties was applied to all of the arrears in each tax year but not carried forward and compounded at January 1st of the following year