

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, October 22, 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	Deputy Mayor Rico Damota, Councillors Helen Kelleher-Empy, Kathleen Waxer, Ralph Melnyk, Scott Wilson, and Wendy Hall.		
Absent	Mayor Richard Ireland		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Michael Fark, Director of Recovery Amanda Stevens, Communications Manager Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Paul Butler, Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce Bob Covey, The Jasper Local Peter Shokeir, The Fitzhugh Jacqui Sundquist, CBC Edmonton 23 observers		
Call to order	Deputy Mayor Damota called the October 22, 2024 Regular Council meeting to order at 9:30am.		
Approval of agenda #439/24	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empy – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the October 22, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #440/24	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the October 15, 2024 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Delegations – Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce #441/24	Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Paul Butler came to advocate for housing for workers considered a more transient part of Jasper’s population which support business operations.		
	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the presentation from the Jasper Park Chamber of Commerce for information.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence	none		
Traffic Safety Bylaw Considerations	Council received a report from administration in response to a motion made at the September 10, 2024 Regular meeting. Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christine Nadon reviewed considerations for snow removal this winter.		
#442/24	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empy – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to adjust enforcement service levels on sidewalks in front of properties affected by the wildfire; and		
	That Council direct Administration to return to an upcoming meeting with alternate service level approaches to address snow and ice removal on sidewalks in front of properties affected by the wildfire.		
	FOR	AGAINST	

	6 Councillors	0 Councillors	CARRIED
Joint Recovery Coordination Centre Update (JRCC) #443/24	Council received an update from Director of Recovery Michael Fark. The update included a review of the JRCC organizational chart as well as time for Council questions.		
	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess	Deputy Mayor Rico Damota called a recess from 10:27am to 12:08pm to accommodate a visit from the Minister of Seniors, Community & Social Services Jason Nixon.		
Seniors Lounge at Jasper Activity Centre #444/24	Council discussed the Jasper Seniors Society lease of the lounge at the Jasper Activity Centre.		
	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Eppey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to enter into 4-year lease agreement with the Jasper Seniors Society for the use of the current space.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 1 Councillor (Councillor Damota)	CARRIED
#445/24	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to work with the Jasper Seniors Society and other interested parties to develop a plan for a seniors’ centre that will meet future demand.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Recess	Deputy Mayor Damota called a recess from 12:42pm to 1:32pm.		
Council Remuneration Review Public Input Summary #446/24	Council reviewed the results of the Council Remuneration public engagement survey which closed on October 8, 2024. The results are included in the agenda package. CAO Bill Given reviewed the background and recommendations.		
	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Eppey – BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to maintain the current remuneration model, incorporate the indicator of mountain towns, and return to a future Committee meeting.		
	FOR 6 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Notices of Motion	none		
Councillor Reports	Councillors Melnyk and Hall attended a Community Futures West Yellowhead monthly meeting last Thursday.		
	Councillor Melnyk will be attending a Jasper Yellowhead Historical Society meeting this evening.		
	Councillor Hall, Mr. Given, and Ms. Nadon gave the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Salma Lakhani and her husband a tour of the Jasper Fire Hall yesterday as they visited Jasper.		
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.		
Meeting Extension #447/24	MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Eppey – BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular meeting of October 22, 2024 be extended past 4 hours.		

FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED

Recess Deputy Mayor Damota called a recess from 2:44pm to 3:21pm to hold the annual Organizational meeting.

Move In-camera #457/24 MOTION by Councillor Melnyk to move in-camera at 3:22pm to discuss agenda item:

- 10.1 Recovery Advisory Committee Appointments – FOIP s.19(1)

FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED

Ms. Nadon also attended the in-camera session.

Move out of camera #458/24 MOTION by Councillor Hall to move out of camera at 3:53pm.

FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED

Appointments to the Recovery Advisory Committee #459/24 MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint Dana Ruddy and Brooklyn Rushton to the Recovery Advisory Committee.

FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED

Adjournment #460/24 MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of October 22, 2024 be adjourned at 3:55pm.

FOR 6 Councillors AGAINST 0 Councillors CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer