

Municipality of Jasper
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 18, 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 Laurie Rodger, Councillors Ralph Melnyk, Kathleen Waxer, and Danny Frechette.		
Absent	Councillors Wendy Hall and Kable Kongsrud		
Also present	Bill Given, Chief Administrative Officer Christine Nadon, Director of Protective & Legislative Services Christopher Read, Director of Community Development Emma Acorn, Legislative Services Coordinator Fred Wiebe & Shane Kutin, Aquatera 7 observers		
Call to order	Mayor Ireland called the August 18, 2026 Regular Council meeting to order at 1:30pm.		
Additions/ deletions to agenda	none		
Approval of agenda #354/26	MOTION by Councillor Melnyk – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the agenda for the August 18, 2026 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Regular minutes #355/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the August 4, 2026 Regular Council meeting as presented.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Approval of Committee of the Whole minutes #356/26	MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the August 11, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Business arising from minutes	none		
Delegations – Aquatera Annual Update	Council received the annual Aquatera update from representatives Fred Wiebe and Shane Kutin. The presentation included information on recent community support; performance results; environmental performance; capital project summary; and more.		
#357/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the presentation for information.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Correspondence	none		
Director’s Report – Community	Council received a department update from Director of Community Development Christopher Read. Highlights included information on major projects in childcare;		

Development	recreation facilities; staffing; service trends; communications; engagement; events; and more.		
#358/26	MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council receive the report for information.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Records Retention and Disposition Bylaw #359/26	MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that Council read for the third time, Bylaw #285, being a bylaw of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper in the province of Alberta to regulate the retention and disposition of records.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Wastewater Treatment Plant Emergency Storage/Lagoon Re-commissioning #360/26	MOTION by Councillor Rodger – BE IT RESOLVED that Council endorse the Municipality of Jasper’s Wastewater Treatment Plant Emergency Storage/Lagoon Re-commissioning Project; and That Council authorize the Municipality of Jasper to enter into a funding agreement with Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada under the Build Communities Strong Fund for a federal contribution of up to \$3,963,750, representing up to 50 percent of eligible project costs.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Future Ownership of CorCan Housing Units #361/26	MOTION by Councillor Waxer – BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the Mayor to write to Parks Canada requesting that the agency consider transferring use or ownership of some or all of the CorCan housing units to the Municipality of Jasper, upon the conclusion of the interim housing program.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED
Notices of Motion	none		
Councillor Reports	Councillor Frechette attended a Community Futures West Yellowhead meeting on August 13th. Mayor Ireland and several Councillors met with Krista Gardner, AB Munis representative for Towns West, last week. Mayor Ireland and Councillor Waxer attended a Legislative Committee meeting this morning.		
Upcoming events	Council received a list of upcoming events for information.		
Adjournment #362/26	MOTION by Councillor Frechette – BE IT RESOLVED that, there being no further business, the Regular Council meeting of August 18, 2026 be adjourned at 2:52pm.		
	FOR 5 Councillors	AGAINST 0 Councillors	CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer