


TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, September 21, 2020 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan



PRESENT: Mayor Paul Carroll
Councillors Ivan Boyer
Chris Dupuis
Ken Bonokoski
Shirley Wheeler
Rob Forster - *absent*
Steven Matthewson
Administrator Jessica Franklin

20/09/01-01 Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Paul Carroll called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

20/09/01-02 Delegate

20/09/01-04 Minutes:

Wheeler/Bonokoski

THAT the minutes of September 2, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

20/09/01-05 Reports:

Dupuis/Matthewson

THAT the following reports be accepted as presented:

- a. Verbal Reports
Council Reports
- b. Written Staff Reports – nothing to report
Administrator's Report
- c. Committee and Other
- d. Other Written Reports – nothing to report

Carried

20/09/01-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1:

Matthewson/Boyer

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9763 – cheque #9792 in the amount of \$43,806.22 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9822 – cheque #9728 in the amount of \$9,429.06 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

c. Council Renumeration:

Boyer/Dupuis

THAT Council Renumeration for the month of September 2020 as indicated by cheque #9828 – cheque #9834 in the amount of \$2,500.00 shall be approved for payment as presented.

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d. Bank Reconciliations:

THAT the following Bank Reconciliations shall be approved as presented:

1. CU Operating Account – August 2020
2. CU Savings Account – August 2020
3. Locomotive Restoration Fund Account – August 2020
4. Town of Bienfait/Coal Creek Reserve Fund Account – August 2020

Carried

20/09/01-07 Unfinished Business:

a. GFL – Garbage Pickup

Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT the GFL Environment Inc. garbage pickup shall be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council.

Carried

b. Town of Bienfait Job Descriptions

Dupuis/Matthewson

THAT the Town of Bienfait Job Descriptions shall be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council.

Carried

c. Nix 6 Electric Ltd. – Lift Station Electrical Upgrades

Dupuis/Wheeler

THAT due to the high estimate of a six (6) foot by eight (8) tin covered, wood shell building placed on a grade beam on piles received by Nix 6 Electric Ltd. for seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500.00) the Town of Bienfait shall request an invitational tender from Dexeco Construction, B&S Construction Ltd., Lowenberg Projects and Sector 1 Inc. Construction and Renovation regarding a six (6) foot by eight (8) foot building addition to shield and shelter the lift station upgrades; and that the addition shall consist of a tin covered, wood shell building erected on a floating insulated thickened slab; and that the tender closing date be October 16, 2020, and that the tenders received be brought to the October 21, 2020 regular meeting of Council for review.

20/09/01-08 New Business:

7:04 p.m. Before any discussion took place on the Town of Bienfait employees, an in-camera session was requested.

7:20 p.m. the meeting was reconvened.

a. Town of Bienfait Employees

Matthewson/Boyer

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall request an opinion from MLT Aikens regarding the Town of Bienfait's Sick Leave Benefits; and that the opinion be forwarded to Council in a timely manner.

Carried

b. Personnel Policy

Bonokoski/Boyer

THAT the Personnel Policy regarding Sick Leave Credits and Time Off with Pay, be amended as presented and attached to, forming part of these minutes.

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c. Katrusik Avenue Culvert

Dupuis/Bonokoski

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall request an estimate from Turnbull Excavating Ltd. regarding the replacement of the culvert on Katrusik Avenue that is crushed which is causing the area of roadway to collapse; and that the estimate be brought to the next regular meeting of Council for approval.

Carried

e. Controlled Burn – Shurygalo Road

Boyer/Dupuis

THAT the Bienfait Fire Department Chief as well as the Town of Bienfait employees shall complete a controlled burn alongside Shurygalo Road to alleviate the thick forage and to prepare for the 2021 grass maintenance; and that a letter be sent to the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 prior to the controlled burn requesting the R.M.'s acceptance of the said controlled burn.

Carried

f. Cummins Canada ULC Planned Maintenance Agreement

Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT the Cummins Canada ULC Planned Maintenance Agreement be tabled to the next regular meeting of Council to allow for more time to ensure the details of the Agreement.

Carried

g. Proclamation – Saskatchewan Multicultural Week

Bonokoski/Boyer

WHEREAS, Saskatchewan was the first province to enact multiculturalism legislation in 1974 recognizing the right of every community to retain its identity, language, and traditional arts and sciences for the mutual benefit for citizens; and
WHEREAS, in 1997, the Act was revised and a section of the Act states that the policy should preserve, strengthen and promote Indigenous cultures and acknowledge their historic and current contribution to development of Saskatchewan; and
WHEREAS, the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan is committed to promoting, fostering, improving and developing multiculturalism in the economic, cultural and political life of Saskatchewan while working to achieve equality of all residents; and
THEREFORE, the Town of Bienfait, in recognition of the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan, do hereby designate the week of November 21-29, 2020 as *Saskatchewan Multicultural Week*.

Carried

h. Bienfait Fire Department Junior Application

Matthewson/Dupuis

THAT Council for the Town of Bienfait approves the Junior Application for Kade Enns to become a volunteer fire fighter member of the Bienfait Fire Department.

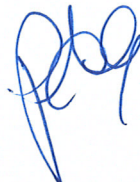
Carried

i. ATLHeritage Services Corp. – Bienfait Cemetery GPR Survey Results

Wheeler/Boyer

THAT the GPR survey results from the Bienfait Cemetery Block 6A be acknowledged as presented and kept on file indefinitely; and that due to a discrepancy, the top three grave plots portion of the GPR survey results in good faith, shall be attached to, forming part of these minutes as proposed by MLT Aikens LLP.

Carried



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j. Informal Grievance Response

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall submit the denial of the informal grievance received September 18, 2020 to CLAC Local No. 306.

Carried

k. Kent Mehler – Six Month’s Probation

Dupuis/Matthewson

THAT Kent Mehler the Town of Bienfait Manager be classified as a permanent employee and that he be put on employee benefits effective September 11, 2020.

Carried

l. Change of Regular Council Meeting Dates – October 2020

Wheeler/Boyer

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall change the time and the dates for the following October 2020 Regular Council Meetings:

1. THAT the regular council meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday October 7th, 2020, shall be changed to Monday October 5th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
2. THAT the second regular council meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday October 21st, 2020, shall be changed to Monday October 19th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Carried

m. Bienfait Swimming Pool - Donation

Bonokoski/Boyer

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall donate five thousand seven hundred thirty-two dollars and nineteen cents (\$5,732.19) to the Bienfait Swimming Pool to cover operating expenses; and that the operating expenditure is approved in the 2020 Budget.

Carried

20/09/01-09 Correspondence:

Boyer/Matthewson

THAT the correspondence as listed on the agenda be acknowledged and filed for future reference.

Carried

20/09/01-10 Other Business:

20/09/01-11 Adjournment:

Carroll/Wheeler

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Carried

Mayor

Administrator