

TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, April 14, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Bonokoski
Councillors Ivan Boyer
Shirley Wheeler
Steven Matthewson
Les Christensen
David Johnson
Gerald Resler
Administrator Jessica Franklin

21/04/01-01 Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Ken Bonokoski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

21/04/01-02 Delegate

6:00 p.m. Blake Penna with Rethink Automation met with Council to discuss the question of whether to leave the Water Treatment Plant fire pump on automatic or turned off with a possible VFD installed for run status to allow the Bienfait Fire Department quick access to high volumes of water which would allow a timed bypass for the distribution line flow rate high alarm.

6:14 p.m. Blake Penna departed the meeting.

21/04/01-04 Minutes:

Johnson/Resler

THAT the minutes of March 24, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

21/04/01-05 Reports:

Johnson/Christensen

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

21/04/01-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1:

Resler/Boyer

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10039 – cheque #10058 in the amount of \$29,945.77 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Matthewson/Christensen

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9930 – cheque #9933 in the amount of \$6,416.04 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried



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c. Payroll List No. 2:

Matthewson/Resler

THAT Payroll List No. 2 as indicated by cheque #9934 – cheque #9937 in the amount of \$6,481.75 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

21/04/01-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) 1990 Chev C/R 10/1500 Reg Cab 2WD

Wheeler/Boyer

THAT the 1990 Chev C/R 10/1500 Reg Cab 2WD be tabled to the next regular meeting to allow for time for Council to evaluate the condition of the vehicle.

Carried

b.) Bylaw No. 2 (2021) – A Bylaw to Establish Property Tax Incentives and Penalties

Wheeler/Resler

THAT Bylaw No. 2 (2021) be given the third and final reading at this meeting and now be adopted, signed, and sealed as a Bylaw of the Town of Bienfait.

Carried

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

Resler/Matthewson

THAT the Town of Bienfait approves the proposal from Nix 6 Electric Ltd. to build and install a new lift station controller c/w in the covered addition on the north side of the Bienfait Lift Station. This proposal includes the installation of logic controllers, the installation of a new 100a distribution panel, LED lighting within the addition as well as the cost to move all existing electrical to the addition. The proposal is approved by Council for the cost of ten thousand eight hundred dollars (\$10,800.00) plus applicable taxes.

Carried

21/04/01-08 New Business:

a.) 2021 Summer Student Positions

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall hire two (2) summer students for the Public Works Department; the term of employment shall be from May 10, 2021, to August 27, 2021, inclusive; the hourly wage shall be fifteen (\$15.00) dollars;

And

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall hire one (1) summer student to attend and provide tours of the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum; the term of employment shall be from May 10, 2021, to August 27, 2021; the hourly wage shall be fifteen (\$15.00) dollars;

And

THAT the Administrator shall be authorized to advertise for these aforementioned positions on SaskJobs.ca website

Carried

b.) Public Works Manager

Matthewson/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall advertise one (1) position of Public Works Department Manager; the term of employment shall be advertised as full time.

Carried



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c.) Application for a Permit to Demolish or Move a Building

Johnson/Resler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall approve the application submitted by Kelly Yunick to demolish a building located on his property at 233 Main Street, Lot 16 Block 10 Plan No. AA6460.

Carried

d.) Resident Donation

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT the donation received from Lorretta Madarash for two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to the Town of Bienfait Cemetery be acknowledged; and that a thank you card shall be sent to her in response to the generous donation.

Carried

e.) Weed Control

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Administration for the Town of Bienfait shall request a quote on weed control for the 2021 year from the following contractors:

Pride Upkeep Ltd.

Southeast Tree Care

AND that the quotes shall be discussed at the next regular meeting of Council.

Carried

f.) Bienfait Swimming Pool 2021 Operational Year

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait received and approved the letter from the Bienfait Pool Board requesting financial support for the 2021 Operational Year of the Bienfait Swimming Pool; AND that the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall adjust the 2021 Budget to support the financial donations required for the Bienfait Swimming Pool to remain operational for the 2021 season.

Carried

g.) Bienfait Fire Department Volunteer Calendar Submission

Christensen/Matthewson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall approve the request for the Bienfait Fire Department Volunteer to submit a photo with the Bienfait Fire Department vehicles and equipment to the 2022 Firefighters Calendar submissions; and that a letter be sent to the volunteer approving the photo submission.

Carried

h.) Asphalt Crack Sealing

Matthewson/Wheeler

THAT the Asphalt Crack Sealing be tabled to the next regular meeting of Council to provide further detailed discussion on the equipment required for the Public Works department to complete the task.

Carried

i.) 2021 Education Property Tax Mill Rates

Matthewson/Wheeler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall accept the 2021 Education Property Tax Mill Rates as confirmed by an Order in Council of the Province of Saskatchewan:

Agricultural Property	1.36 mills
Residential Property	4.46 mills
Commercial/Industrial	6.75 mills
Resource (oil and gas, mines and pipelines)	9.79 mills

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j.) SSEP Application Bienfait Fire Hall

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait approves the SSEP application for the construction of a new Fire Hall; AND that the application shall be submitted through SSEP at no cost to the Town of Bienfait.

Carried

k.) Reimburse Museum Paint Cost

Christensen/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall reimburse Tim Carroll five hundred and thirty-six dollars and thirteen cents (\$536.13) for the purchase of paint for the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum.

Carried

21/04/01-09 Correspondence:

Wheeler/Christensen

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

Carried

21/04/01-10 Other Business:

Purchase of Fire Department Wildland's Truck

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait received two estimates from the Fire Department Committee regarding the purchase of a 2021 F550 XL and XLT to be constructed into a Wildland's Truck; and that the estimates are as follows:

Senchuk Ford Sales 2021 F550 XL \$49,400.00 plus applicable taxes

Senchuk Ford Sales 2021 F550 XLT \$53,700.00 plus applicable taxes

AND that the Council for the Town of Bienfait approves the purchase of the 2021 F550 XLT from Senchuk Ford Sales; AND that the cost shall be collaborative with the Rural Municipality of Coalfields No. 4.

Carried

Bienfait Fire Department Training 1000 Course

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall approve the expenditure for the Bienfait Fire Department to host a 1000 course; and that ten members of the fire department shall be invited at one hundred and forty dollars (\$140.00) per person totalling one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400.00); and that the Fire Department shall purchase eight manuals for said training at a cost of nine hundred and sixty dollars (\$960.00) plus shipping.

Carried

21/04/01-11 Adjournment:

Christensen/Resler

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Carried

Mayor



Administrator