

TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, May 24, 2023 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Bonokoski
Councillors Ivan Boyer
Shirley Wheeler
Les Christensen
David Johnson
Gerald Resler
Melissa Rensby – *absent*
Administrator Jessica Franklin

23/05/24-01 Call to Order:

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

23/05/24-02 Delegate

6:00 p.m. Gene Banulius met with Council to discuss the options Gene presented to the Town Council regarding Regens Metals.

The landfill first commenced in 1995 when Gene first made his proposal to Council to open.

In 2014 Officer Don Howe closed the Bienfait landfill site.

In 2015 Regens purchased the Bienfait landfill site.

Gene's biggest concern regarding the landfill is the timeline of the 20-year psomiter well testing.

6:16 p.m. Gene Departed the meeting.

23/05/24-04 Minutes:

Resler/Johnson

THAT the minutes of May 3, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

23/05/24-05 Reports:

Boyer/Wheeler

THAT the following reports be accepted as presented:

- a. Verbal Reports
- Council Reports

Carried

23/05/24-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1

Boyer/Resler

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10965 – cheque #10990 in the amount of \$35,319.00 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

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b. Payroll List No. 1:

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10330 – cheque #10334 in the amount of \$6,905.25 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

c. Payroll List No. 1:

Resler/Boyer

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10335 – cheque #10339 in the amount of \$7,475.25 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

d. Council Renumeration:

Johnson/Christensen

THAT Council Renumeration for the months of May 2023 as indicated by cheque #10340 – cheque #10345 in the amount of \$3,290.00 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

e. Financial Statements:

Resler/Wheeler

THAT the Financial Statements for the Months of April 2023 shall be approved as presented.

Carried

f. Bank Reconciliations:

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the following Bank Reconciliations shall be approved as presented:

1. CU Operating Account – April 2023

Carried

23/05/24-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) Recreation Director

Boyer/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall table the Recreation Director until a response from the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 regarding sharing costs of hiring a Recreation Director for the benefit of both urban and rural residents be received.

Carried

23/05/24-08 New Business:

a.) Bienfait Ball Diamonds Bathroom

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall register the Bienfait Ball Diamonds Bathroom with Mack Auction Co. for the 2023 Estevan Motor Speedway Timed Online Consignment Auction event to take place June 17, 2023.

Carried

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b.) Road Boss Grader

Boyer/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait purchase an eight-foot (8') Road Boss Grader with the Skid Steer adapter for a cost of sixty-five hundred dollars (\$6,500.00) plus applicable taxes.

Carried

c.) Permit to Operate a Sewage Works Renewal

Resler/Christensen

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall approve, as presented, the Permit to Operate a Sewage works number 00003039-05-00; AND that the permit takes effect on June 1, 2023, and expires May 31, 2028, unless canceled or suspended before that date.

Carried

d.) Outdoor Fire Appliance Permit Request

Johnson/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait approves as presented, the Outdoor Fire Appliance Permit for 730 Carbon Avenue.

Carried

e.) Resident Request May 10, 2023

Resler/Johnson

That the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request dated May 10, 2023, and that a letter be sent to the ratepayer to inform them that the Public Works employees shall attempt to repair the broken pavement in the 2023 season.

Carried

f.) Resident Request

Christensen/Wheeler

THAT the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request, and a letter shall be sent to the resident thanking them for their input on the public works employees, and their opinion shall be placed under consideration.

Carried

g.) Resident Request May 16, 2023

Christensen/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request. No further action will be taken.

Carried

h.) Resident Request May 17, 2023

Resler/Johnson

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i.) Genco Asphalt Inc. Estimates

Johnson/Wheeler

THAT the following estimates were received from Genco Asphalt Inc.:

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| • Carbon Avenue (Main to Young) | Recap 50mm | \$63,050.00 |
| • Carbon Avenue (White to Railway) | Recap 50mm | \$51,500.00 |
| • White Street | Recap 50mm | \$58,500.00 |
| • Misc Patches | 100mm Depth | \$85/m ² |

THAT the Town of Bienfait approves all of the above estimates for pavement repairs/patching throughout the Town of Bienfait

Carried

j.) GFL Residential Cart Garbage Pick Up

Boyer/Resler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall request Conrad Meili to attend the next regular council meeting to request a firm five (5) year price for residential cart garbage pickup.

Carried

k.) GFL Industrial Scale Quote

Christensen/Wheeler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall request Steven McCabe to attend the next regular council meeting to discuss the GFL Industrial Scale Quote.

Carried

l.) 2023 Budget

Johnson/Resler

THAT the 2023 Budget for the Town of Bienfait shall be accepted as presented, which results in a \$168,820.00 cash surplus with a uniform tax rate of 5.75 mills.

Carried

m.) 2023 Property Tax Mill Rate

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT after discussion and consideration of the 2022 Budget, the Town of Bienfait shall set the 2023 Property Tax Mill Rate at 5.75 mills, which is the same mill rate from the previous 2022 mill rate.

Carried

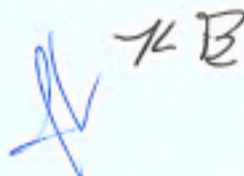
n.) Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Board Road Closure Request

Wheeler/Boyer

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait as empowered by Section 14 (1) of *The Municipalities Act* shall grant permission for the temporary closure of the following streets to allow for the Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Board July 1st Celebration activities:

- Weldon Road from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. to allow for the staging of the parade;
- Railway Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. to allow for the staging of the parade;
- Carbon Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. to allow for the staging of the parade;
- Carbon Avenue from the Young Street intersection to the White Street intersection to allow for safe passage of pedestrians;
- White Street from the Carbon Avenue intersection to the Highway No. 18 intersection to allow for safe passage of pedestrians;

Carried



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o.) Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Fireworks Request

Christensen/Resler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall grant permission to the Bienfait Parks and Recreation Board to hold a firework display in conjunction with the 2023 July 1st celebration.

Carried

p.) Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Community Calendar Add

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall purchase an ad in the Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Community Calendar at a cost of one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00).

Carried

q.) Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation July 1st Celebration Request

Johnson/Resler

THAT the Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation holds a July 1st Canada Day house decorating contest; and that the prizes are as follows:

1. One Free Utility Billing
2. Seventy-five-dollar (\$75.00) Co-op gas card
3. Fifty-dollar (\$50.00) Co-op gas card

Carried

r.) SENSUS Audit Documents

Christensen/Resler

THAT the 2022 draft financial statement of the Town of Bienfait be accepted as presented; and that the signed copy be returned to SENSUS.

Carried

23/05/24-09 Correspondence:

Resler/Johnson

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

Carried

23/05/24-10 Other Business:

23/05/24-11 Adjournment:


Bonokoski/Resler

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Carried



Mayor



Administrator