

TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, June 28, 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
Administrator Jessica Franklin

23/06/28-01 Call to Order:

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

23/06/28-02 Delegate

23/06/28-04 Minutes:

Resler/Wheeler

THAT the minutes of June 14, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

23/06/28-05 Reports:

Wheeler/Rensby

THAT the following reports be accepted as presented:

- a. Verbal Reports
- Council Reports

Carried

23/06/28-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1

Rensby/Christensen

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #11023 – cheque #11041 in the amount of \$41,334.86 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Wheeler/Boyer

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10351 – cheque #10357 in the amount of \$8,380.04 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

c. Council Renumeration:

Johnson/Christensen

THAT Council Renumeration for the months of June 2023 as indicated by cheque #10358 – cheque #10361 in the amount of \$1,850.00 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried




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23/06/28-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) **Recreation Director**
Rensby/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall request the last four (4) years of financial statements from the Bienfait Memorial Arena, Bienfait Swimming Pool and Bienfait Curling Club for further discussion; AND that the Town shall inquire into the usage of the facilities attending from the Town, RM and City of Estevan.

Carried

b.) **234 Main Street**
Resler/Christensen

THAT the pavement that was removed on 234 Main Street be tabled to provide time for the Administrator to contact the homeowners and inquire on the permission provided to the homeowners to dig up municipal property.

Carried

c.) **GFL Environmental Inc. Agreement**
Resby/Christensen

THAT the proposed Agreement between the Town of Bienfait and GFL Environmental Inc. be approved by Council and sent to GFL Environmental Inc.

Carried

d.) **Resident Concern June 8, 2023**
Christensen/Wheeler

THAT the request for Council to provide for a property tax abatement due to water in the basement be denied, and that a letter be provided to the homeowner suggesting that their property insurance would be a beneficial course of action.

Carried

23/06/28-08 New Business:

a.) **Zero Turn Mower Quotes**
Resler/Johnson

THAT the following quotes were received for a commercial zero turn lawn mower:

- John Deere Z530M ZTrak (residential) – 60" \$7,635.00
- John Deere Z530R ZTrak – 54" \$8,129.00
- John Deere Z730M Ztrak – 60" \$13,278.00
- Kubota Z422 – 60" \$12,500.00
- Kubota Z251 – 54" \$10,500.00

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall purchase a Kubota Z422 from Redhead Equipment at a cost of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500.00) plus applicable taxes.

Carried

b.) **Waterworks Compliance Inspection June 20, 2023**
Rensby/Resler

THAT the Waterworks Compliance Inspection completed on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely.

Carried




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c.) Acti-Zyme Recommendations

Boyer/Christensen

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall purchase three (3) tubs of AZ+ for sludge reducing at the Bienfait lagoon for a price of three thousand seven hundred eighty-six dollars and seventy-five cents (\$3,786.75), and a case of LS7 Granular at a cost of three hundred seventy seven dollars and ten cents (\$377.10); and a tub of AZ Regular at a cost of one thousand forty two dollars and twenty five cents (\$1,042.25) plus applicable taxes and shipping; AND that an Acti-Zyme program is recommended for preventative maintenance for the sewer lines, lift station and lagoon for sludge remediation to maintain a cleaner wastewater system.

Carried

d.) Cummins Sales & Service Estimate

Johnson/Boyer

THAT the estimate provided by Cummins Sales & Service for a battery replacement on the lift station generator during the 2024 annual service period be approved at a cost of five hundred nineteen dollars and fifty-five cents (\$519.55) plus applicable taxes.

Carried

e.) Resident Request June 20, 2023

Wheeler/Christensen

That the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request dated June 7, 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 June 23, 2023

Resler/Rensby

THAT the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request dated June 23, 2023, and that a letter be sent to the ratepayer to approve the curb removal at 237 Main Street to allow for the resident to construct a concrete driveway.

Carried

Resler/Boyer

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall remove and cap the residential water line at 237 Main Street.

Carried

g.) Resident Request June 25, 2023

Boyer/Wheeler

That the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request dated June 7, 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

h.) Resident Request June 28, 2023

Christensen/Johnson

That the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the request dated June 7, 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.

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j.) Rural Municipality of Coalfields No. 4 Clay Material Purchase Request

Johnson/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall agree to sell clay from the Bienfait spill pile to the RM of Coalfield No. 4 at a cost of two dollars (\$2.00) per cubic yard; AND that the estimated amount shall be six thousand (6000) yards.

Carried

k.) Rethink Automation Proposal

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall table the proposal and request Blake Penna from Rethink Automation to come to the next regular meeting of Council to discuss his proposal for the operation of the water treatment plant.

Carried

l.) Incident Report June 26, 2023

Resler/Boyer

THAT the Incident Report dated June 26, 2023, be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely; AND that Administration shall contact the homeowner of 426 Young Street to coordinate repairs on the piece of fence that the Bienfait garbage truck damaged while turning the corner in the alley.

Carried

23/06/28-09 Correspondence:

Boyer/Johnson

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

Carried

23/06/28-10 Other Business:

WTP Spare Chlorine Pump

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait be authorized to purchase a spare chlorine pump for the water treatment plant.

7:50 p.m. an in-camera session was requested.

8:22 p.m. the meeting was reconvened.

23/06/28-11 Adjournment:


Bonokoski/Rensby

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Carried



Mayor



Administrator