

TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Bonokoski
Councillors Ivan Boyer
Shirley Wheeler
Steven Matthewson – *departed at 7:28 p.m.*
Les Christensen
David Johnson
Gerald Resler
Administrator Jessica Franklin

21/06/02-01 Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Ken Bonokoski called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

21/06/02-02 Delegate

21/06/02-04 Minutes:

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the minutes of June 9, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

21/06/02-05 Reports:

Johnson/Boyer

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
- e. Public Works Manager Verbal Report – As prepared by Ross Holstein

Carried



21/06/02-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1:

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10132 – cheque #10138 in the amount of \$26,569.28 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Christensen/Matthewson

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9969 – cheque #9975 in the amount of \$10,513.08 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

c. Council Renumeration:

Resler/Wheeler

THAT Council Renumeration for the month of June 2021 as indicated by cheque #9976 – cheque #9978 in the amount of \$1,650.00 shall be approved for payment as presented.

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21/06/02-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) Asphalt Crack Sealing

Christensen/Resler

THAT the Public Works Committee alongside the Public Works Manager shall request a live demo of the Asphalt Crack Filler equipment from the R.M. of Browning No. 34 to ensure the equipment is suitable for the municipalities required asphalt crack sealing prior to having a discussion regarding the rental vs purchase options from Western Asphalt Products; AND that this shall be tabled to the next regular meeting to provide adequate time for the live demo.

Carried

b.) Resident Request – Taylor Street Drainage

Boyer/Resler

THAT after discussion regarding the Taylor Street Drainage the Council for the Town of Bienfait would like to extend an invitation to the resident to discuss with Council the Topographic Site Survey completed by Midwest Surveys Inc. and the Water Drainage Control Opinion completed by KGS Group; AND that the survey and engineered opinion is property of the Town of Bienfait and shall not be released to the general public.

Carried

21/06/02-08 New Business:

a.) Museum Report

Matthewson/Christensen

THAT the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum report be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely; and that a letter be sent to Tim Carroll to thank him for the extensive volunteer hours that he has provided to the Museum.

Carried

6:53 p.m. Before any discussion took place on grievance responses regarding the Town of Bienfait employees, an in-camera session was requested.

b.) Grievance Response

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait does not agree to mediation regarding the individual grievance originally presented March 31, 2021; and it is understood and agreed upon that the town shall enter into arbitration.

Carried

c.) 2011 Ford F150 Repairs

Johnson/Boyer

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall approve sending the 2011 Ford F150 for repairs to Dean and Daughter's Repair Shop in Estevan, SK for the PO420 and PO430 diagnostic trouble codes.

Carried

d.) Resident Request – Main Street Drainage

Resler/Christensen

THAT a letter be sent to the resident responding to the request of drainage concerns on Main Street to confirm the employees of the Town of Bienfait shall ensure the culverts are in a clean and repaired state of condition for stormwater drainage; and that this shall take priority in the summer of 2021.

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e.) Resident Request – Aldridge Street Drainage

Matthewson/Wheeler

THAT a letter be sent to the resident responding to the request of drainage concerns on Aldridge Street to confirm the employees of the Town of Bienfait shall ensure the culverts are in a clean and repaired state of condition for stormwater drainage; and that this shall take priority in the summer of 2021.

Carried

f.) 2021 Budget

Boyer/Christensen

THAT the 2021 Budget for the Town of Bienfait shall be accepted as presented, which results in a \$1,817.00 cash surplus with a uniform tax rate of 5.75 mills.

Carried

g.) 2021 Property Tax Mill Rate

Boyer/Resler

THAT after extensive discussion and careful study of the 2021 Budget, the Town of Bienfait shall set the 2021 Property Tax Mill Rate at 5.75 Mills, which is an increase from the 4.10 2020 Mill rate.

Carried

h.) Change of Regular Council Meeting Dates – July and August

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall change the time and the dates for the following July 2021 Regular Council Meetings:

1. THAT the regular council meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday July 14th, 2021. THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall change the time and the dates for the following August 2021 Regular Council Meetings:
2. THAT the regular council meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday August 11th, 2021.

Carried

i.) Rescind Motion 21/06/01-08(I)

Boyer/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait rescind motion 21/06/01-08(I) due to changes in the route of the July 1st Celebration parade.

Carried

j.) Temporary Street Closure – July 1st Celebration

Christensen/Wheeler

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;
- Main Street from the intersection of Highway No. 18 to Railway Avenue between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. to host a Farmer's market and car show.

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k.) Rescind Motion 21/06/01-08(m)

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait rescind motion 21/06/01-08(m) due to the location change of the July 1st Fireworks Display.

Carried

l.) July 1st Fireworks Display

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 2021 July 1st celebration.

Carried

m.) Genco Asphalt Inc. Street Patching Estimate

Boyer/Christensen

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall approve the estimate provided by Genco Asphalt Inc. regarding the street patching and estimate costs of:

- 402 Young Street	\$3,900.00
- 405 Aldridge Street	\$1,380.00
- 734 Katrusik Avenue	\$1,980.00
- 701 Carbon Avenue	\$2,880.00
- 317 Main Street	\$875.00

AND that the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall request that 426 Young Street and 310 Aldridge Street be repaired during the scheduled completions of the above addresses.

Carried

21/06/02-09 Correspondence:

Wheeler/Boyer

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

Carried

21/06/02-10 Other Business:

Coal Creek Landfill Rate Change for Mattresses

Boyer/Johnson

That a response be sent to the Coal Creek Landfill regarding the Council for the Town of Bienfait does not agree to the rate change prior to discussion, and that the Council deems necessary to discuss the rate change with the upcoming negotiations of the proposed draft Landfill Agreement.

Carried

July 1st Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum Hours

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum shall be opened from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on July 1, 2021, for the July 1st Canada Day Celebrations.

Carried

July 1st Bienfait Recreation Board Donation

Wheeler/Boyer

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall donate fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to the Bienfait Recreation Board to go towards the July 1st Canada Day Celebrations.

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Appointment of Bienfait Fire Department Fundraising Committee
Johnson/Wheeler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall appoint Ken Bonokoski and Ivan Boyer as the Bienfait Fire Department Fundraising Committee for the Town of Bienfait; and this appointment shall be for a one-year term, from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

Carried

21/06/02-11 Adjournment:

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Carried

Mayor



Administrator