

BIENFAIT TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, June 12, 2024
Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan
AGENDA

Official Oath of Office

01 Call to Order

02 Delegation

6:00 p.m. Connie Wheeler

03 Consideration of Agenda

a.) Review of Agenda as presented, revise as required

04 Minutes of Previous Meeting

a.) Review of Minutes of the May 22, 2024, Regular Council Meeting

b.) Presentation of errors, omissions or corrections – MOTION to approve

05 Reports – Council, Staff and Other

a.) Verbal Council Reports:

b.) Waterworks Operational Records – March, April and May 2024

06 Financial

a.) Bill List #1

b.) Payroll List #1

07 Unfinished Business

a.) Culverts TWP RD 24

b.) Mutual Aid Agreement

08 New Business

a.) SENSUS Audit Documents

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

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

d.) Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Fireworks Request

e.) 2024 Budget

f.) 2024 Property Tax Mill Rate

g.) Temporary Employee

h.) Mack Auction Online Auction Estevan Motor Speedway June 28, 2024

i.) Cummins Planned Equipment Maintenance Contract Proposal

j.) Bienfait Blue Jays Ball Diamonds Signage

k.) Resident Complaint May 29, 2024

l.) Resident Complaint May 29, 2024

m.) Resident Complaint May 31, 2024

n.) Bylaw Appeal

o.) July 1st House Decorating Contest

p.) SMR Virtual Tour Invitation

09 Correspondence

10 Other Business

11 Adjournment

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TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, June 12, 2024 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

24/06/12-01 Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Ken Bonokoski called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

24/06/12-02 Delegate

6:21 p.m. Connie Wheeler met with Council to discuss a complaint regarding the town wide clean up.

Connie mentioned that the staff removed her garbage bins and the stand they were placed on. She mentioned that no where in the poster that was advertised did it mention the removal of cans/stands. The poster stated everything must be bundled or bagged. Connie drove around and noticed other stands and cans were not taken. Connie is requesting a monetary reimbursement for the five (5) Rubbermaid bins, a regens bin, a rain barrel and the stand.

6:28 p.m. Connie departed the meeting.

24/06/12-04 Minutes:

Resler/Wheeler

THAT the minutes of May 22, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

24/06/12-05 Reports:

Christensen/Wheeler

THAT the following reports be accepted as presented:

- a. Verbal Reports
Council Reports
- b. Waterworks Operational Records –March, April & May 2024

Carried

24/06/12-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1

Boyer/Wheeler

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #11438 – cheque #11468 in the amount of \$54,879.30 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Resler/Rensby

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10532 – cheque #10539 in the amount of \$11,585.10 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

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24/06/12-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) **Culverts TWP Rd 24**

Resler/Johnson

THAT the culverts on TWP Rd 24 be tabled to request a cost estimate from the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4.

Carried

b.) **Mutual Aid Agreement**

Rensby/Johnson

That the Mutual Aid Agreement invitation from R.M. of Mount Pleasant No. 2 be tabled to the next regular meeting of Council to allow time to discuss the agreement with the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 and the Bienfait Fire Department.

Carried

24/06/12-08 New Business:

a.) **SENSUS Audit Documents**

Wheeler/Resler

THAT the 2023 draft financial statement of the Town of Bienfait be accepted as presented; and that the signed copy be returned to SENSUS.

Carried

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

Resler/Christensen

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.

Carried

c.) **Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Board Road Closure Request**

Rensby/Johnson

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

d.) **Bienfait Centennial Parks & Recreation Fireworks Request**

Wheeler/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 2024 July 1st celebration.

Carried

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e.) 2024 Budget

Christensen/Resler

THAT the 2024 Budget for the Town of Bienfait shall be accepted as presented, which results in a \$468,900.00 cash surplus with a uniform tax rate of 6.0 mills; AND that the any cash surplus at the end of the calendar year be transferred to the Bienfait CU Savings Account.

Carried

f.) 2024 Property Tax Mill Rate

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT after discussion and consideration of the 2024 Budget, the Town of Bienfait shall set the 2024 Property Tax Mill Rate at 6.0 mills, which is 0.25 higher from the previous 2023 mill rate.

Carried

7:29 p.m. Before any discussion took place on employee concerns, an in-camera session was requested.

7:51 p.m. the meeting was reconvened.

g.) Temporary Employee

Resler/Boyer

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall hire Lane Brown on a casual basis at an hourly rate of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

Carried

h.) Mack Auction Online Auction Estevan Motor Speedway June 28, 2024

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall send the following equipment to the Mack Online Auction at the Estevan Motor Speedway June 28, 2024:

- 2012 Pickup Broom with Gutter Brush Attachment
- 2007 Chevrolet 3500
- Pump and Motor
- Fuel Tank
- 2011 John Deere 54" Mower

Carried

i.) Cummins Planned Equipment Maintenance Contract Proposal

Rensby/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall approve the Planned Maintenance Agreement from Cummins Canada ULC for the price of three thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$3,125.28) plus applicable taxes; and that the Planned Maintenance Agreement will be performed on the 80KW Genset and the 50KW Genset; and that the Agreement shall be subject to a one (1) year term.

Carried

j.) Bienfait Blue Jays Ball Diamonds Signage

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT the proposal to hang signage on two ball diamonds under L&C Trucking Ltd. and Reliance Oilfield Services due to the volunteering and support provided by each company be approved; AND that the signage shall be paid and assembled by the companies.

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k.) Resident Complaint May 29, 2024

Boyer/Rensby

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall send a letter to apologize to the resident regarding removal of property during the town wide alley clean up.

Carried

l.) Resident Complaint May 29, 2024

Rensby/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall send a letter informing Government Road 1, the nuisance abatement bylaw regarding grass and weeds.

Carried

m.) Resident Complaint May 31, 2024

Boyer/Rensby

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall send a letter to apologize to the resident regarding removal of property during the town wide alley clean up; AND due to the request for reimbursement, the town shall issue half of the request to the resident in the amount of nine hundred dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$900.38).

Carried

n.) Bylaw Appeal

Resler/Boyer

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall send all information regarding a received appeal of a bylaw infraction to MLT Aikens for review; AND that the lawyer's opinion shall be brought back to Council for review.

Carried

o.) July 1st House Decorating Contest

Rensby/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall host a July 1st House Decorating Contest, and the winners shall receive as follows:

1st place - one (1) free utility billing,

2nd place - one seventy-five-dollar (\$75.00) CO-OP fuel card.

3rd place - one fifty-dollar (\$50.00) CO-OP fuel card.

Carried

24/06/12-09 Correspondence:

Rensby/Boyer

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

Carried

24/06/12-10 Other Business:

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall provide black dirt and grass seed to the fire hall.

Carried

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall purchase crusher dust and hire a contractor to pack the ground on the west side entrance of the fire hall.

Carried

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24/06/12-11 Adjournment:

Bonokoski/Rensby

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Carried

Mayor



Administrator