# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council Thursday, August 20, 2020 6:00 p.m. Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan

PRESENT:

Mayor

Paul Carroll

Councillors

Ivan Boyer Chris Dupuis Ken Bonokoski Shirley Wheeler Rob Forster

Steven Matthewson - absent

Administrator

Jessica Franklin

### 20/08/01-01 Call to Order:

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

#### 20/08/01-02 Delegate

6:00 p.m. Keith Smith met with Council to discuss the drainage concerns between Weldon Road and Taylor Street. The discussion included the proposal to find appropriate drainage patterns for a solution to the ongoing drainage concern. The residential development that was built causes the natural run of the water to cycle around the block as opposed to drain into the slew directly west.
6:17 p.m. Keith Smith departed the meeting.

#### 20/08/01-04 Minutes:

#### Forster/Dupuis

THAT the minutes of July 9, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

#### Bonokoski/Dupuis

THAT the minutes of July 23, 2020, Landfill Committee Meeting shall be approved as presented.

Carried

#### Wheeler/Boyer

THAT the minutes of August 11, 2020, Special Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

#### Carried

# 20/08/01-05 Reports:

# Boyer/Dupuis

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

# 20/08/01-06 Financials:

#### a. Bill List No. 1:

#### Wheeler/Bonokoski

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9699 – cheque #9741 in the amount of \$95,310.62 is approved for payment as presented.



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# b. Payroll List No. 1:

# **Dupuis/Boyer**

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9767 – cheque #9774 in the amount of \$11,986.03 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

#### c. Payroll Lists No. 2:

#### Forster/Wheeler

THAT Payroll List No. 2 as indicated by cheque #9782 – cheque #9790 in the amount of \$12,802.08 shall be approved for payment as presented.

Carried

#### d. Payroll Lists No. 3:

# Bonokoski/Dupuis

THAT Payroll List No. 3 as indicated by cheque #9791 – cheque #9799 in the amount of \$12,210.40 shall be approved for payment as presented.

Carried

# e. Council Renumeration:

#### Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT Council Renumeration for the month of August 2020 as indicated by cheque #9808 – cheque #9814 in the amount of \$3,770.00 shall be approved for payment as presented.

Carried

#### f. Financial Statements:

### Forster/Boyer

THAT the Financial Statements for the Month of July 2020 shall be approved as presented.

Carried

#### 20/08/01-07 Unfinished Business:

#### a. GFL - Garbage Pickup

#### Wheeler/Dupuis

THAT the GFL Environment Inc. garbage pickup shall be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council.

Carried

# b. Town of Bienfait Job Descriptions

# Forster/Boyer

THAT the Town of Bienfait Employees Job Descriptions shall be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council to provide Administration adequate time to ensure the accuracy of said job description.

Carried

#### 20/08/01-08 New Business:

# a. Resident Request - Drainage

#### Dupuis/Wheeler

THAT the following drainage request be filed as correspondence; and that a letter be sent to the resident stating the Town shall be exploring into drainage options that shall help natural surface flow of rainwater runoff.

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#### b. Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum Annual Report 2020 Forster/Boyer

THAT the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum Annual Report 2020 be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely; and that a letter be sent to the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum thanking them for their hard work and dedication, and that the Town of Bienfait shall research funding options for future years of artifact restoration.

Carried

#### c. Application for Business License

#### Forster/Boyer

THAT the request to operate a Art, Design and Consulting Studio as submitted by Jackie Wall be approved as presented; and that it be classified commercial and shall be subject to the current license fee.

Carried

# d. Bienfait Fire Department Application

# Dupuis/Wheeler

THAT the application form received for the Bienfait Fire Department shall be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council to allow time to clarify the applicants address.

Carried

#### e. Repayment of Summer Students Union Dues

# **Boyer/Dupuis**

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall issue an educational bursary to Summer Students Tatiana Dutka in the amount of one hundred four dollars and fifty nine cents (\$104.59); and to Ashley Wilson in the amount of one hundred eighteen dollars and thirty four cents (\$118.34).

Carried

# f. Response from Canadian National Railway - Idling CN Train

#### Wheeler/Forster

THAT the response from Canadian National Railway shall be filed as correspondence.

Carried

# g. Resident Complaint

#### Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT the complaint received on July 16, 2020 be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely.

Carried

### h. Request to Purchase - Town Truck

#### Forster/Dupuis

THAT the request to purchase the town Chevrolet half ton be acknowledged; and a letter be sent to the requester stating the decision of Council to deny the request.

Carried

#### i. Request to Purchase - Fire Truck Toy Model

# Wheeler/Forster

THAT the request to purchase the fire truck toy model be tabled to the next regular meeting of Council to ensure adequate time for Council to make an informed decision.

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7:24 p.m. Before any discussion took place on the Town of Bienfait employees, an in-camera session was requested.

7:41 p.m. the meeting was reconvened.

# k. Town of Bienfait Employees

**Dupuis/Forster** 

THAT the Town of Bienfait Employees be tabled to the next regular meeting of Council.

Carried

#### I. Bienfait Swimming Pool Donation

Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall donate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to the Bienfait Swimming Pool to cover operating expenses; and that the operating expenditure is approved in the 2020 Budget.

Carried

# m. Bylaw No. 4 (2020) - A Bylaw of the Town of Bienfait to Establish the Coal Transition Board, To Promote Economic Growth and Financial Support for Local Initiative Wheeler/Bonokoski

THAT Bylaw No. 4 (2020) being a Bylaw of the Town of Bienfait to Establish the Coal Transition Board, to Promote Economic Growth and Financial Support for Local Initiative be introduced and read for the first time.

Carried

**Boyer/Dupuis** 

THAT Bylaw No. 4 (2020) be read for the second time.

Carried

# n. Agreement to Advertise Regional Economic Development Director – Coal Transition Board Forster/Wheeler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall accept recommendations of the Coal Transitional Committee to advertise for a Regional Economic Development Director; And that the partnering communities including the R.M. of Estevan No. 5 and the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 shall cooperatively advertise the position on SaskJobs, the Estevan Mercury, SEDA newsletter as well as the SEDA website.

Carried

#### o. Kn/a HR Consulting Invoice

Boyer/Dupuis

THAT the payments be hereby authorized to Kn/a HR Consulting for the investigation provided to the municipal Council involving confidential human resource matters in the workplace.

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# <u>q. Request for Blue Jay Ball Diamond Rental – Bienfait Minor Ball Fundraiser</u> Boyer/Forster

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall grant permission for Bienfait Minor Baseball to use the Blue Jay Ball Diamonds upon Agreement of the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The league shall not be charged a rental fee. In exchange for the use of the ball diamonds, the league:
  - a. Shall ensure that all debris, including cans and bottles are removed from the ball diamond and parking lot areas at the conclusion of each game. If any garbage is left, the league shall be charged a minimum of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for cleanup.
- 2. The league shall be responsible for providing the liability insurance.
- 3. The League shall not spray any weeds or bait any gophers on any property of the Blue Jay Ball Diamonds.
- 4. The Town shall be responsible for cutting the grass as needed.
- 5. All improvements made by the League shall become the property of the Town of Bienfait.
- 6. The Blue Jay Ball Diamonds shall forever remain the property of the Town of Bienfait.
- 7. The League shall agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Town of Bienfait from and against any claims, injuries, demands, liabilities, costs or damages related to the use, upgrading, or maintenance of the Blue Jay Ball Diamonds.

Carried

# 20/08/01-09 Correspondence:

Matthewson/Boyer

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

Carried

# 20/08/01-10 Other Business:

# 20/08/01-11 Adjournment:

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Carried

Mayor

Administrator