

TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, July 14, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Bonokoski
Councillors Ivan Boyer
Shirley Wheeler
Steven Matthewson
Les Christensen
David Johnson
Gerald Resler
Administrator Jessica Franklin

21/07/01-01 Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Ken Bonokoski called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

21/07/01-02 Delegate

6:04 p.m. Christina Birch with Community Futures Sunrise met with Council via zoom conference to discuss the microloans up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) and investment loans up to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00). Christina also mentioned the Regional Economic Development Courses offered to elected officials, administrators and assistants, economic development committees, chamber representatives and business owners. The courses offered are as follows:

- Economic Development 101
- Business Retention and Expansion
- Investment Attraction

Christina mentioned the courses are to help increase capacity for business development. Additionally, Community Futures Sunrise offers Community Marketing Workshops for the following:

- Website
- Community Profile
- LinkedIn

6:25 p.m. Christina Birch departed the meeting.

21/07/01-04 Minutes:

Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the minutes of June 23, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

21/07/01-05 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

Carried



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21/07/01-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1:

Resler/Wheeler

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10139 – cheque #10167 in the amount of \$99,916.46 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Johnson/Boyer

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #9979 – cheque #9986 in the amount of \$11,503.62 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

c. Council Renumeration:

Johnson/Christensen

THAT Council Renumeration for the month of July 2021 as indicated by cheque #9987 – cheque #9992 in the amount of \$1,685.00 shall be approved for payment as presented.

Carried

d. Financial Statements:

Johnson/Matthewson

THAT the Financial Statements for the Month of June 2021 shall be approved as presented.

Carried

21/07/01-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) Asphalt Crack Sealing

Resler/Johnson

THAT the Asphalt Crack Sealing be tabled until next meeting to allow time for the Public Works Committee alongside the Public Works Manager to travel to the R.M. of Browning No. 34 and watch a live demo of the Asphalt Crack Filler equipment owned and operated by 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.

Carried

21/07/01-08 New Business:

a.) Tree Removal 721 Bradley Street

Boyer/Matthewson

THAT the tree removal on the back alley of 721 Bradley Street be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council to allow more time to investigate a tree removal and maintenance policy.

Carried



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b.) Town Salutes on CJ1150

Boyer/Wheeler

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall approve the advertisement for the 2021 Town Salute for Bienfait on CJ1150 radio station; and that the cost of the town salute shall be one hundred eighty dollars (\$180.00).

Carried

c.) Incident Report June 29, 2021

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Administrator shall request that the Incident Report dated June 29, 2021 have a more detailed report completed stating what happened prior to and after the incident occurred, as well as more detail on any damage on the equipment that was involved in the incident; AND that this report shall be presented at the next regular meeting of Council.

Carried

d.) Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant Approval

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall accept the approval of the Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant for the amount of five thousand seven hundred and eighty-three dollars (\$5,783.00) to install a new crosswalk on Young Street and a solar radar speed sign on Highway 18.

Carried

e.) Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment – Notice of Intent to Issue and Environmental Protection Order

Resler/Christensen

THAT the Town of Bienfait acknowledges the Notice of Intent to Issue an Environmental Protection Order from the Minister of Saskatchewan Environment due to causing or allowing disposal of waste without a permit at Legal Land Description 03-19-002-06 W2M / 49 7' 55" N, 102 48' 22". AND that the Town of Bienfait is directed to do all of the following:

1. Cease accepting and disposing of any material at the Facility.
2. Request approval to remove any materials from Facility. Material includes all materials at the Facility; including concrete, tires, garbage, etc.
3. The person responsible shall conduct a Facility Assessment. A Facility Assessment shall be conducted for the entire Facility Legal Land Description 03-19-002-06 W2M / 49 7' 55" N, 102 48' 22" in Bienfait, Saskatchewan in accordance with any prescribed requirements or any requirements set out in the Saskatchewan Environmental Code. The Environmental Facility Assessment shall be completed and submitted to the ministry by May 31, 2022.
4. A Corrective Action Plan pursuant to section 14 of *The EMPA*, 2010 shall be completed in accordance with any prescribed requirements or any requirements set out in the Saskatchewan Environmental Code. The Corrective Action Plan shall be completed and submitted to the ministry by October 31, 2022.

Carried



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f.) Resident Request for Tax Arrears July 9, 2021

Resler/Matthewson

That the Resident Request to pay a portion of their tax arrears in agreement of abating the remaining arrears owing be denied; AND that any outstanding tax arrears and penalties must be paid by August 1, 2021, in order to avoid tax enforcement proceedings. Any properties with unpaid arrears or penalty after the deadline will enter the tax enforcement process.

Carried

g.) Wildland Fire Unit Funds

Christensen/Wheeler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall agree to pay the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 an upfront payment of twenty five percent (25%) up and to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) with an additional five percent (5%) annual payment to cover half of the purchase price of the Wildland's Fire Unit with the intention of fundraising the majority of the overall purchase price of the truck.

Carried

h.) SSEP Roche Percee Historic Site Renewal

Wheeler/Matthewson

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait supports the application submitted by SSEP for the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 for funding for the Roche Percee Historical Site Renewal to Western Economic Diversification Canada for the amount requested of fifty-eight thousand four hundred fifty-five dollars and sixty-two cents (\$58,455.62).

Carried

21/07/01-09 Correspondence:

Matthewson/Johnson

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

Carried

21/07/01-10 Other Business:

21/07/01-11 Adjournment:

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Carried

Mayor



Administrator