

**TOWN OF BIENFAIT**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council**  
**Wednesday, March 23, 2022 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Ken Bonokoski  
Councillors Ivan Boyer – *arrived at 6:05 p.m.*  
Shirley Wheeler  
Les Christensen  
David Johnson  
Gerald Resler  
Melissa Rensby  
Administrator Jessica Franklin



**22/03/02-01 Call to Order:**

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

**22/03/02-02 Delegate**

*6:01 p.m. Sergeant Steve Ross met with Council to discuss the RCMP's 2022 fiscal year plan. The plan involves focusing on enhanced policing efforts, community, and public relations with the RCMP. Sergeant Steve Ross mentioned some programs the RCMP have involvement in, including community presentations regarding fraud, visits to the schools, and requested if Council can think of any potential ideas the RCMP detachment members would be open to discussion.*

*6:24 p.m. Sergeant Steve Ross left the meeting.*

**As per Section 94 of The Municipalities Act, newly elected member of Council Melissa Rensby took the official oath of office in the prescribed form prior to the commencement of the Council meeting.**

**22/03/02-04 Minutes:**

**Wheeler/Johnson**

THAT the minutes of March 9, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

**Carried**

**22/03/02-05 Reports:**

**Resler/Christensen**

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. Waterworks Operational Records – January and February 2022

**Carried**

**22/03/02-06 Financials:**

**a. Bill List No. 1:**

**Resler/Christensen**

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10452 – cheque #10466 in the amount of \$10,524.11 is approved for payment as presented.

**Carried**



**TOWN OF BIENFAIT**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council**  
**Wednesday, March 23, 2022 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan**

*AK*

**b. Payroll List No. 1:**

**Boyer/Wheeler**

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10119 – cheque #10122 in the amount of \$6,690.80 is approved for payment as presented.

**Carried**

**c. Council Renumeration:**

**Johnson/Boyer**

THAT Council Renumeration for the month of March 2022 as indicated by cheque #10123 – cheque #10128 in the amount of \$2,550.00 shall be approved for payment as presented.

**Carried**

**22/03/02-07 Unfinished Business:**

**22/03/02-08 New Business:**

**a.) Public Disclosure Statement**

**Christensen/Johnson**

THAT the Public Disclosure Statement was distributed to newly elected Councillor Melissa Rensbyl, completed and returned; AND that the Public Disclosure Statement is to be filed as per legislation.

**Carried**

**b.) Deputy Mayor – Appointment Terms**

**Wheeler/Johnson**

THAT as per Part V Division 4, Section 91(1) of *The Municipalities Act*, the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall appoint the councillors to the position of Deputy Mayor consecutively for the following eight (8) month terms:

- |                                     |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. November 1, 2020 – July 1, 2021  | - Ivan Boyer      |
| 2. July 2, 2021 – March 2, 2022     | - Les Christensen |
| 3. March 3, 2022 – November 3, 2022 | - David Johnson   |
| 4. November 4, 2022 – July 4, 2023  | - Melissa Rensby  |
| 5. July 5, 2023 – March 5, 2024     | - Gerald Resler   |
| 6. March 6, 2024 – 2024 Election    | - Shirley Wheeler |

**Carried**

**c.) Signatories for Cheques and Other Negotiable Instruments**

**Boyer/Christensen**

THAT the following individuals shall be authorized as Principal Signatories for Cheques and other Negotiable Instruments for the Town of Bienfait:

1. Mayor Ken Bonokoski
2. Administrator Jessica Franklin

AND THAT if Mayor Ken Bonokoski is unable to act as the Principal Signatory, any one of the following Secondary Signatories shall be appointed to sign in his place:

1. Councillor Melissa Rensby
2. Councillor Ivan Boyer
3. Councillor Shirley Wheeler
4. Councillor Les Christensen
5. Councillor David Johnson
6. Councillor Gerald Resler

AND THAT if Administrator, Jessica Franklin, is unable to act as the Principal Signatory, Secondary Signatory, Assistant Administrator Carri Clarke, shall be appointed to sign in her place.

**Carried**

*KB*

**TOWN OF BIENFAIT**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council**  
**Wednesday, March 23, 2022 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan**

**d.) Resident Request – Wednesday March 16, 2022**

**Christensen/Wheeler**

That the resident request that was received Wednesday, March 16, 2022, regarding seeking potential employment be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely; and that the Administrator shall reply via email thanking the resident for the request submission although the town is not currently seeking more full-time employees.

**Carried**

**e.) Blue Jay Ball Diamond Porta Potty Rentals**

**Boyer/Johnson**

THAT the Blue Jay Ball Diamond Porta Potty Rentals be tabled until the next regular meeting of Council to allow Councillor Ivan Boyer additional time to contact Steam Est Industries Ltd. for prices for rentals vs purchases.

**Carried**

*7:21 p.m. Councillor David Johnson declared a conflict of interest although remained at the meeting.*

**f.) Amalgamation of Lot 30 Blk/Par 2 Plan No. K151 Ext 0 and Lot 29 Blk/Par 2 Plan No. K151 Ext 0**

**Christensen/Wheeler**

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait hereby authorizes the approval of the consolidation of residential Lot 30 Blk/Par 2 Plan No. K151 Ext 0 and Lot 29 Blk/Par 2 Plan No. K151 Ext 0.

**Carried**

**g.) 2022 SUMA Convention and Tradeshow**

**Boyer/Resler**

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall register Administrator Jessica Franklin and Mayor Ken Bonokoski to attend the 2022 SUMA Convention and Tradeshow April 3, 2022 – April 6, 2022, at the Queensbury Convention Centre and International Trade Centre in Regina, SK; AND that all travel and out-of-pocket expenses be paid by the Town of Bienfait.

**Carried**

**h.) Western Economic Diversification Canada Coal Transition Initiative Agreement**

**Resler/Rensby**

THAT the Administrator for the Town of Bienfait shall sign the Agreement with Western Economic Diversification Canada Coal Transition Initiative regarding the approval of the Bienfait-Coalfields Historical Society Museum Revitalization project for one hundred seven thousand and three hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$107,398.00)

**Carried**

**22/03/02-09 Correspondence:**

**Boyer/Wheeler**

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

**Carried**

*Handwritten signatures: J and KB*

**TOWN OF BIENFAIT**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council**  
**Wednesday, March 23, 2022 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Office at Bienfait, Saskatchewan**

**22/03/02-10 Other Business:**

**Weldon SCC Committee**

**Johnson/Wheeler**

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall add Weldon SCC Committee to the 2022 list of Appointments and Committees, and the Council shall appoint Melissa Rensby for a one-year term commencing March 23, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

**Carried**

**22/03/02-11 Adjournment:**

**Bonokoski/Christensen**

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

**Carried**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator