

TOWN OF BIENFAIT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
Wednesday, August 9, 2023 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

23/08/09-01 Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Ken Bonokoski called the meeting to order at 5:57 p.m.

23/08/09-02 Delegate

5:57 p.m. Daniyale Woolsey and Jesse Juneau met with Council to discuss a tree planting proposal at the Bienfait Blue Jay Ball Diamonds.

Daniyale mentioned that she put in an order to the Shand Greenhouse for one thousand (1,000) trees, inclusive to Colorado Blue Spruce, Green Ash, White Spruce, Siberian Larch and Manitoba Maple.

Daniyale would like to organize a worker's bee to plant the trees in the spring. She requested that there is a low spot that requires dirt to be filled in prior to planting. The trees will be spaced far enough so that the town zero turn mower will be able to cut around the trees.

It has been noted that the diamonds need gopher holes filled in and should be dragged more regularly.

Daniyale and Jesse finished by saying they are looking forward to help improve the ball diamonds for the generations to come.

6:08 p.m. Daniyale Woolsey and Jesse Juneau departed the meeting.

6:29 p.m. Amanda Pukas met with Council to discuss the proposed Recreation Director for the Town of Bienfait.

Amanda asked Council what their stance on hiring a Recreation Director was, as her position with the rink has completed and she is unsure if she would have to hire someone or if the town was.

The position with the Bienfait Memorial Arena is a paid position, and Amanda mentioned that the portion of funds that the rink pays would also contribute to the wage of a Recreation Director if they assumed the roll.

6:34 p.m. Amanda Pukas departed the meeting.

23/08/09-04 Minutes:

Rensby/Wheeler

THAT the minutes of July 12, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council shall be approved as presented.

Carried

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23/08/09-05 Reports:

Wheeler/Christensen

THAT the following reports be accepted as presented:

- a. Verbal Reports
 Council Reports
- b. Waterworks Operational Records – May and June 2023

Carried

23/08/09-06 Financials:

a. Bill List No. 1

Boyer/Resler

THAT Bill List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #11062 – cheque #11098 in the amount of \$94,078.19 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

b. Payroll List No. 1:

Resler/Johnson

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10369 – cheque #10375 in the amount of \$7,847.42 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

c. Payroll List No. 2:

Rensby/Wheeler

THAT Payroll List No. 1 as indicated by cheque #10376 – cheque #10382 in the amount of \$7,551.84 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

d. Council Renumeration:

Christensen/Wheeler

THAT Council Renumeration for the months of July and August 2023 as indicated by cheque #10383 – cheque #10387 in the amount of \$3,300.00 is approved for payment as presented.

Carried

e. Financial Statements:

Johnson/Rensby

THAT the Financial Statements for the Months of May and June 2023 shall be approved as presented.

Carried

f. Mastercard Payments

Boyer/Johnson

THAT the Mastercard Payments for the Months of April, May and June 2023 shall be approved as presented.

Carried

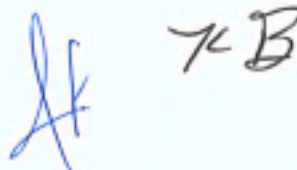
g. Bank Reconciliations:

Rensby/Wheeler

THAT the following Bank Reconciliations shall be approved as presented:

1. CU Operating Account – May and June 2023

Carried



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23/08/09-07 Unfinished Business:

a.) Recreation Director
Christensen/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall advertise one (1) position of Recreation Director; the term of employment shall be advertised as full-time.

Carried

b.) 234 Main Street
Resler/Christensen

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall reimburse half of the cost of the sewer line replacement. The invoice received from Small Iron Excavating & Landscaping Ltd. was ten thousand nine hundred eighty dollars and twelve cents (\$10,980.12) and that the town shall reimburse the homeowner five thousand four hundred ninety dollars and six cents (\$5,490.06).

Carried

c.) R.M. of Coalfields Fire Suppression Agreement
Resler/Johnson

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall request a meeting with the R.M. of Coalfields No. 4 to discuss the current Fire Suppression Agreement.

Carried

d.) Tree Removal Policy
Johnson/Boyer

THAT the Policy T – Tree Removal, be approved as presented and attached to, forming part of these minutes.

Carried

e.) GFL Agreement
Resler/Christensen

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall propose to pay forty percent (40%) of the quoted price, amounting to eighty-six thousand and fifty-eight dollars (\$86,085.00) of the landfill scale upon signed completion of the new GFL Environmental Inc. Agreement.

Carried

23/08/09-08 New Business:

a.) Tax Arrears Apply for Consent to Take Title
Wheeler/Johnson

THAT the six-month waiting period following the Six-Month Notice has now expired, the Town of Bienfait shall continue with the next step of tax enforcement proceedings and apply to the Provincial Mediation Board (PMB) for consent to take title on the following properties:

Lot 11-12 Block 2 Plan K151	426 Main Street	505001750-01
Lot 15 Block 5 Plan S1574	318 Young Street	505006150-01
Lot 7 Block 8 Plan S1574	313 Taylor Street	505008600-01
Lot 7 Block 12 Plan AJ2111	234 Aldridge Street	505012100-01
Lot 7 Block 0 Plan 67R10464	725 Katrusik Avenue	505020400-01
Lot 6 Block S Plan 67R10464	722 Katrusik Avenue	505021150-01
Lot 9 Block S Plan 67R10464	734 Katrusik Avenue	505021300-01
Lot G Plan 101214919	Hwy #18 East 1	505027500-01

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- b.) **Bienfait Historical Museum Report**
Wheeler/Rensby
THAT the Bienfait Coalfields Historical Museum report be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely.

Carried
- c.) **Bienfait Fire Department Volunteer Application**
Rensby/Resler
THAT Council for the Town of Bienfait approves the Application for Tom Tomelty to become volunteer fire fighter members of the Bienfait Fire Department.

Carried
- d.) **Bienfait Fire Department Volunteer Application**
Johnson/Boyer
THAT Council for the Town of Bienfait approves the Application for William Croll to become volunteer fire fighter members of the Bienfait Fire Department.

Carried
- e.) **Incident Report – July 27, 2023**
Rensby/Christensen
THAT the Incident Report dated July 27, 2023, be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely.

Carried
- f.) **Incident Report – August 2, 2023**
Resler/Boyer
THAT the Incident Report dated August 2, 2023, be acknowledged and kept on file indefinitely; AND that Administration shall contact the homeowner of 413 Aldridge Street to coordinate repairs on the piece of fence that the Bienfait truck damaged while in the alley.

Carried
- g.) **Second Application Herbicide**
Boyer/Johnson
THAT the Town of Bienfait shall hire Pride Upkeep Ltd. for a second herbicide application.

Carried
- h.) **Resident Request August 8, 2023 – 413 Aldridge Street Fence Damage**
Boyer/Johnson
THAT the Town of Bienfait shall repair two boards on the fence at 413 Aldridge Street due to an employee backing into the fence.

Carried
- i.) **Payment for F&L Concrete Ltd.**
Wheeler/Johnson
THAT the Town shall pay the invoice to F&L Concrete Ltd. in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) upon receipt of the invoice for the water main break on Carbon Avenue.

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j.) Bienfait Swimming Pool

Rensby/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall donate ten thousand one hundred dollars (\$10,100.00) to the Bienfait Swimming Pool for operational costs.

Carried

k.) Application to Demolish or Move a Building

Resler/Boyer

THAT the Council for the Town of Bienfait shall approve the application submitted by Beverly Nieviadomy to remove the mobile home on the property at 210 Aldridge Street, Lot B Blk/Par 12 Plan No. 63R28654.

Carried

23/08/09-09 Correspondence:

Boyer/Johnson

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

Carried

23/08/09-10 Other Business:

a.) Public Works Employee

Christensen/Resler

THAT the Town of Bienfait shall advertise one (1) position of Public Works; the term of employment shall be advertised as full time and preference shall be given to an applicant with heavy equipment operating tickets and a 1A license.

Carried

23/08/09-11 Adjournment:

Bonokoski/Wheeler

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Carried



Mayor



Administrator