

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley

February 22, 2022

Date and Place

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 6:45 p.m., in the Bentley Municipal

Office

In Attendance

Mayor Greg Rathjen

Deputy Mayor Brenda Valiquette Councillor Pamela Hansen Councillor Lenore Eastman Councillor Dale Grimsdale

CAO, Marc Fortais

Call to Order

Mayor Greg Rathjen called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Indigenous

Acknowledgement

"We acknowledge that we are meeting on Treaty 6 Territory and Home of Metis Nation Region 3, on land that is part of a historic agreement involving mutuality and respect. We recognize all the many First Nations, Metis, Inuit and non-First Nations whose footsteps have marked these lands"

Read by Mayor Rathjen

Agenda

Motion 45/2022 Moved by Councillor Hansen "THAT" the agenda be amended to include the following items under Other Business:

- d) Sending Council Representative to Municipal Leaders Conference
- e) Insurance Issue Overview from CAO

Carried

Motion 46/2022 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale "THAT the amended Agenda, of the February 22, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted."

Carried

Previous Minutes

Motion 47/2022 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the minutes of the February 8, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council be confirmed."

Carried

Financial

Prepaid Cheque Listing Cheques No. 20220071 to 20220119

Motion 48/2022 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No 20220071 to 20220119, excluding cheque number 20220100 (due to a perceived conflict of interest) be received for information."

Carried

Motion 49/2022 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT Cheque No 20220100 be received for information." (It should be noted that Councillor Grimsdale did not vote on this motion, due to a perceived conflict of interest)

Carried

New Business

a) Annual Water & Wastewater Reports 2021

CAO Marc Fortais provided an overview and went through the 2021 Annual Water and Wastewater reports and answered questions from Mayor and Council regarding the reports.

Motion 50/2022 Moved by Councillor Eastman THAT the Annual Water and Wastewater Reports for the year ending December 31, 2021, and the Drinking Water Safety Plan be received and approved."

Carried

Correspondence

- a). Lacombe County January 31, 2022, Council Highlights.
- b) Lacombe County February 10, 2022, Council Highlights

Motion 51/2022 Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT correspondence items a) to b) be received for information."

Carried

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Other Business / Council Question Period

a) Meetings with Member of Parliament Blaine Calkins and Member of Legislative Assembly the Honorable Jason Nixon

General discussion took place by Mayor and Council regarding the need to set up a meeting with both members and that the CAO can reach out to both to determine a suitable time for the spring for an in-person meeting in the Town of Bentley

b) Update on Meeting with AHS and Doctor or Nurse Practitioner Recruitment

CAO Marc Fortais provided Mayor and Council with an update on the steps taken to date to connect with AHS, the Town of Eckville regarding their steps to look at a Nurse Practitioner, and the Nurse Practitioners Association of Alberta. The town is waiting for a date for a meeting from AHS to meet with administration and a representative of Mayor and Council to begin further discussions regarding our options and use of the Care Centre for a Doctor or Nurse Practitioner.

c) New Beginnings Report Update and Open House

CAO Marc Fortais provided a brief status update regarding a report that will be coming to Mayor and Council and the public regarding the subdivision and a potential reconfiguration to Single Family Dwellings. The report will include all costs incurred to date, the new possible layout, and any potential additional costs to reconfigure servicing to meet the needs of Single-Family Dwelling Lots. It is the intention of administration with the support of Mayor and Council to host an open house with the information once it is finalized.

d) Municipal Leaders Conference March 9 to 10 Edmonton Convention Centre

Mayor Rathjen spoke to the benefit of a member of Council attending the Municipal Leaders Conference and asked his fellow council members if he could attend on their behalf.

e) Insurance Issue Information

CAO Marc Fortais provided Mayor and Council with a summary of an incident that occurred on main street 50th Ave. The incident involved a flag bracket that had fallen from one of the light poles on main street and struck a vehicle. The CAO advised that the Town is working through its insurance adjuster to settle any potential claim. Administration informed Mayor and Council that it intends to remove all brackets due to them not being CSA approved brackets and noted that this is a safety issue.

Motion 52/2022 Moved by Councillor Eastman that Mayor Rathjen be authorized to attend the Municipal Leaders Conference from March 9 to 10 at the Edmonton Convention Centre."

Carried

Motion 53/2022 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT Other Business items a), b), c) & e) be received as information."

Carried

Adjournment

Motion 54/2022 Moved by Councillor Eastman, "THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Carried