

## Policy 57/2018

**Policy Title:** 

Bentley Municipal Library Annual Funding

**Date Adopted:** 

September 11, 2018

Background:

Pursuant to the Libraries Act, Part 1, Clause 3(1) the Bentley Municipal Library is established by By-law No. 123/2008.

The Bentley Municipal Library is housed in a building owned by the Town of

Bentley.

The Bentley Library Board pays for all of its operating costs except those items that relate to building and yard maintenance and repair,

including grass cutting and parking lot snow removal.

Annually, on or before December 1, the Bentley Municipal Library Board must submit their approved annual operating budget to Town Council for approval. At year-end, the Library Board must submit its financial record of revenue and expenditures for incorporation into the Town of Bentley's

annual financial statement.

Purpose:

Bentley Town Council recognizes the importance of the Bentley Municipal Library for the leisure, cultural and intellectual needs of

the citizens of the Town of Bentley.

Bentley Town Council also recognizes that the Bentley Library requires financial support to enable them to carry out the many

programs, services and resource materials provided to the Community,

throughout the year.

Bentley Town Council also recognizes the annual operating costs of the Bentley Municipal Library are subject to inflation factors beyond the Library Board's control. Expenses such as power, gas, telephone, office equipment and supplies, program supplies, books, etc,

increase annually.

## Statement:

Over the next five years, the annual financial operating support to the Bentley Municipal Library, which includes a 2% increase each year, will be included in the Town of Bentley's Operating Budget, as follows;

2019	\$19,855.00
2020	\$20,250.00
2021	\$20,655.00
2022	\$21,070.00
2023	\$21,490.00

The Bentley Municipal Library may also apply for special project or program funding under Policy 52/2015 - Recreation, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Annual Funding Program.

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