

#### AGENDA Bentley Town Council Regular Meeting Tuesday May 10, 2022 6:45 pm

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. 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."

- 3. Amendments & Acceptance of Agenda
- 4. Adoption of Previous Minutes:
  - a) Regular Meeting of Council April 12, 2022
- 5. Financial:
  - a) Prepaid Cheque Listing Cheques No. 20220250 to 20220319
  - b) Cheque Listing for Mayor and Council
- 6. New Business
  - a) Q1 Financial Reporting and Goals Update
  - b) Wayfinding and Directional Signage Hwy 12 & 20 Official Survey Results and Project Update
  - c) Seniors Week June 6 to June 12, 2022, and Proclamation for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
- 7. Correspondence
  - a) Lacombe County Council Highlights April 14, 2022
  - b) Lacombe County Council Highlights April 28, 2022
- 8. Other Business
- 9. Council Reports
  - a) Mayor Rathjen
  - b) Deputy Mayor Grimsdale
  - c) Councillor Hansen
  - d) Councillor Eastman
  - e) Councillor Valiquette
- 10. Adjournment



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

April 12, 2022

Date and Place	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, April 12, 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						
	<b>Motion 77/2022</b> Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT the agenda of the April 12, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council be amended to include the following items under Other Business:					
a) MLA & MP meeting to be scheduled						
	b) Change from Deputy Mayor Dale Grimsdale to Deputy Mayor Hansen; AND					
	THAT an item also be added as new business to discuss and potentially fund a request from the Bentley High School Drama Club to support their upcoming play production."					
	Carried					

**Motion 78/2022** Moved by Deputy Mayor Grimsdale "THAT the amended agenda, of the April 12, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted."

#### Carried

#### **Previous Minutes**

**Motion 79/2022** Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT the minutes of the April 12, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council be confirmed."

#### Carried

#### Financial Prepaid Cheque Listing Cheques No. 20220196 to 20220249

**Motion 80/2022** Moved by Deputy Mayor Grimsdale, "THAT the Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No 20220196 to 20220249, "excluding cheque number 20220247, be received for information." (It should be noted that cheque number 20220247 was excluded due to Deputy Mayor Grimsdale, declaring a potential conflict of interest)

#### Carried

**Motion 81/2022** Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT Cheque No 20220247 be received for information." (It should be noted that Deputy Mayor Grimsdale did not vote on this motion)

#### Carried

#### **New Business**

#### a) Oxford Building Condition Assessment and Recommendation

- Mayor Rathjen asked residents attending the meeting if anyone wished to speak to council, given the serious nature of the topic and the significant attendance at the council meeting
- Two residents registered to speak once administrations presentation was concluded. Ms. Wilson and Ms. Potter.
- CAO Marc Fortais provided a summary of the topic and finding for discussion and the history on how we arrived at this point today.
- Carma Homes, MBA, P. Eng., LEED AP presented the findings of the Oxford School Condition Assessment
- Ms. Wilson and Ms. Potter both spoke to their concerns regarding losing this heritage building, but that they also understood the safety concerns

- Mayor and Council discussed the topic at length and Councillor Hansen wished to make a motion, prior to conclusion of questions from the presenters.
- Mayor Rathjen stated we are not at that point yet
- Subsequently after, the chair Mayor Rathjen asked is there were any further questions from the Presenters? There were none
- Mayor Rathjen stated that he would like to proceed to make a motion and began stating a motion.
- Councillor Hansen called point of order, stating that she had indicated she wished to make a motion first.
- Mayor Rathjen called a short recess to review legislative procedure and return with proper process (Time 7:35pm)
- **The meeting resumed at 7:43**pm with the mayor calling the meeting to order. Mayor Rathjen withdrew his motion and allowed Councillor Hansen to proceed with her motion.

**Motion 82/2022** Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT the Oxford School Building be closed to all public access, due to the significant safety concerns; AND

THAT all utilities be shut off and the building is to be checked weekly; AND

THAT a decision regarding demolishing the building will be made in the Fall once a public information session has been held."

#### Carried

**Motion 83/2022** Moved by Councillor Eastman to take a 10-minute recess. (Time 7:57pm)

#### Carried

#### The Council Meeting resumed at 8:07pm

#### b) Disposal of Street Sweeper and Dodge Dakota and Contracting Sweeping Services

**Motion 84/2022** Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT Mayor and Council authorize administration to dispose of the 1980 M-8 Twin Engine Street Sweeper Model 2TE4 for fair market value; AND

THAT Mayor and Council authorize administration to dispose of the 1996 Dodge Dakota  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ton for fair market value; AND

THAT the proceeds from the sale of both vehicles be placed in the Public Works Reserve to be utilized for the purchase of equipment for Public Works; AND

THAT administration proceed to contract out sweeping services for the Town of Bentley."

#### Carried

#### c) Purchase of Used Tool Cat to support Public Works Operations

**Motion 85/2022** Moved by Deputy Mayor Grimsdale, "THAT Mayor and Council authorize CAO Marc Fortais to find an acquire a good used tool cat for a purchase price of no more than \$65,000; AND

THAT the purchase of a tool cat is to be funded from any operational surpluses at year end or in the event there are no operational surpluses at year end, the purchase is to be funded by the Public Works Reserve; AND

THAT when a tool cat is acquired, the CAO will report back to Mayor and Council regarding a successful purchase and acquisition."

Carried

### d) Request for funding support Bentley School Junior High Drama Club to support their play production titled "The Super Non-Heroes."

**Motion 86//2022** Moved by Councillor Eastman, "THAT a donation of \$1,000 be provided to the Bentley School Junior High Drama Club to support their play and the purchase of lighting at the school."

#### Carried

#### Correspondence

- a). Lacombe County March 24 Council Highlights
- b) Parkland Regional Library System Update
- c) FCM Communique 2022 Federal Budget

**Motion 87//2022** Moved by Deputy Mayor Grimsdale, "THAT correspondence items a) to c) be received for information."

Carried

#### Other Business / Council Question Period

#### a) Hiring update Parks Supervisor/Safety Officer

- CAO Marc Fortais updated Mayor and Council that the position had been filled and that the candidate would be staring at the beginning of May. The successful candidate is Chris Loov, and he has spent the last 5 years working with the Summer Villages of Sylvan Lake in a Public Works role. We are excited to have Chris Join the team!

#### b) Contract Award Stantec – Transportation Impact Assessment – Bentley Southeast Area Structure Plan

- CAO Marc Fortais updated Mayor and Council that the contract has been awarded to Stantec for the Transportation Impact Assessment in relation to the Bentley Southeast Area Structure Plan.

#### c) MLA/MP Meeting

- Councillor Hansen suggested that a meeting be set up as soon as possible with the MLA and MP
- Strategic Planning follow up will occur the week of May 9 to 13, this will allow further discussion of advocacy issues that Mayor and Council may want to discuss with the MLA and MP
- Meeting to be set up for June or July

#### d) Pam Hansen Deputy Mayor Replacing Dale Grimsdale as Deputy Mayor

- Dale Grimsdale has completed his term as Deputy Mayor and effective April 27, 2022, to July 26, 2022, Pam Hansen will serve in the role as Deputy Mayor.

**Motion 88/2022** Moved by Councillor Eastman, "THAT the topics discussed as other business be accepted as information."

Carried

#### Council Reports

- a) Mayor Rathjen
- b) Deputy Mayor Grimsdale
- c) Councillor Hansen
- d) Councillor Eastman
- e) Councillor Valiquette

**Motion 89/2022** Moved by Deputy Mayor Grimsdale, "THAT the March Council Reports be accepted as information."

Carried

Adjournment Mayor Rathjen adjourned the meeting at 9:05pm

Mayor Greg Rathjen

CAO Marc Fortais

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Cheque Listing For Council

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20220254 2	2022-04-14	DENNEHY, NATHAN				
20220255 2	2022-04-14	GREAVES, LORYANNE				
20220256 2	2022-04-14	FORTAIS, MARC C				
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20220258 2	2022-04-14	327241 ALBERTA LTD.	1013	PAYMENT MARCH ANIMAL CONTROL SERV	1,071.00	1,071.00
20220259 2	2022-04-14	BENTLEY ESSO	31032022	PAYMENT VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT GAS/DIES	1,677.80	1,677.80
20220260 2	2022-04-14	CAMPUS ENERGY PARTNERS LP		PAYMENT ELECTRICITY BILL FOR MARCH : MARCH STREET LIGHTING NATURAL GAS BILL FOR MARCH	10,796.39 5,959.60 3,785.62	20,541.61
20220261 2	2022-04-14	CANOE PROCUREMENT GROUP OF CANADA, D	AB108342	PAYMENT OFFICE SUPPLIES	112.82	112.82
20220262 2	2022-04-14	CENTRAL SHARPENING LTD.	29079 29219 29268 29439	PAYMENT ARENA - SHARPEN ICE KNIFE AN ARENA-SHARPEN ICE KNIFE AN ARENA - SHARPEN ICE KNIFE AN ARENA - SHARPEN ICE KNIFE AN	105.00 68.25 162,75 120.75	456.75
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20220264 2	2022-04-14	HHID	01042022	PAYMENT DEM PAYMENT FOR APRIL 2022	787.50	787.50
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20220266 2	2022-04-14	KEY AGVENTURES INC.	IR67778	PAYMENT SPRING MAINTENANCE ON MOV	77.42	77.42
20220267 2	2022-04-14	RATHJEN, GREG	31032023	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT FOR CONVEN	260.68	260.68
20220268 2	2022-04-14	SERVUS CREDIT UNION	03312022	PAYMENT SERVUS MASTERCARD BILL FOI	661.07	661.07
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20220270 2	2022-04-14	TELUS MOBILITY INC.	April 9, 2022	PAYMENT P.W. CELL PHONES & FIRE DEPT	77.01	77.01
20220271 2	2022-04-14	WOLF CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL	14042022	PAYMENT CONTRIBUTION TO BENTLEY JU	1,000.00	1,000.00
20220272 2	2022-04-19	WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD	25498098	PAYMENT WCB INSTALLMENT PAYMENT	1,925.00	1,925.00
20220273	2022-04-22	ADT SECURITY SERVICES CANADA INC.	26946243	PAYMENT PUMPHOUSE MONTHLY SECURI	42.00	42.00
20220274	2022-04-22	ECO TREE LTD	10705	PAYMENT TREE MAINTENANCE 48 STREET	3,465.00	3,465.00
20220275	2022-04-22	GRAYSON EXCAVATING LTD.	3095	PAYMENT REPLACED 3 VALVES AT LAGOO	42,758.29	42,758.29



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20220276	2022-04-22 GREGG DISTRIBUTORS LP	059-444444 059-445192	PAYMENT SHOP EQUIPMENT MAINTENAN( SHOP EQUIPMENT MAINTENAN(	377.04 216.65	593.69
20220277	2022-04-22 INNOV8, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC.	IN337263	PAYMENT OFFICE PHOTOCOPIER & FCSS	940.29	940.29
20220278	2022-04-30 CARSON, BARBARA J				
20220279	2022-04-30 JENSEN, DARREN J				
20220280	2022-04-30 MEREDITH, SANDRA L				
20220281	2022-04-30 GIBSON, COLE C				
20220282	2022-04-30 DENNEHY, NATHAN				
20220283	2022-04-30 GREAVES, LORYANNE				
20220284	2022-04-30 FORTAIS, MARC C				
20220285	2022-04-30 KIKSTRA, ROBERT B				
20220286	2022-04-26 ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIA	TIO <b>1</b> 20220080	PAYMENT BASIC MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR 21	2,166.19	2,166.19
20220287	2022-04-26 ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING ALBERTA LTD	394678	PAYMENT OXFORD SCHOOL CONDITION A	8,331.75	8,331.75
20220288	2022-04-26 CARSON, BARB	09042022	PAYMENT SANTA SUIT CLEANING	53.75	53.75
20220289	2022-04-26 GREAVES, LORYANNE	25042022	PAYMENT KEYS CUT FOR GATE AT BALL DI	21.00	21,00
20220290	2022-04-26 HOLDEN, KARI	30042022 30Apr2022 30April2022	PAYMENT OFFICE JANITORIAL FOR APRIL : BASEMENT JANITORIAL FOR API SENIOR CENTRE JANITORIAL FC	180.00 120.00 90.00	390.00
20220291	2022-04-26 MUNISIGHT LTD.	INV226072	PAYMENT MUNIWARE SOFTWARE SUPPOF	828.48	828.48
20220292	2022-04-26 OUTLAW ELECTRIC LTD	9175 9276 9301	PAYMENT BENTLEY ARENA LIGHTING IN C <sup>I</sup> TOWN OFFICE LIGHTING REPLA ARENA REPLACED LIGHTING FR	1,372.57 3,423.51 4,892.62	9,688.70
20220293	2022-04-26 PARKLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING SERVIC	21664	PAYMENT BENTLEY - LACOMBE JOINT DE\	3,291.34	3,291.34
20220294	2022-04-26 RECEIVER GENERAL	30042022 30April2022	PAYMENT REGULAR EMPLOYMENT INSUR REDUCED EMPLOYMENT INSUR	342.06 17,264,18	17,606.24
20220295	2022-04-26 SHAW CABLE	April 12, 2022	PAYMENT OFFICE INTERNET	131.25	131.25
20220297	2022-04-26 BENTLEY ROYAL PURPLE	26042022	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT ROYAL PURPI	735.00	735.00
20220298	2022-04-27 GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	1800026945	PAYMENT POLICE FUNDING MODEL 2021-2	29,257.00	29,257.00
20220299	2022-04-27 HOLDEN, KARI	357922	PAYMENT FIRE DEPARTMENT JANITORIAL	240.00	240.00
20220301	2022-04-27 BENTLEY COMMUNITY HALL	27042022,	PAYMENT HALL RENTAL FOR SENIORS LUI	300.00	300.00
20220302	2022-04-27 BENTLEY COMMUNITY HALL	april 27, 2022	PAYMENT HALL DAMAGE DEPOSIT FOR SE	300.00	300.00
20220303	2022-04-29 MCLAREN, CAROLYN		PAYMENT		300.00



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20220303		MCLAREN, CAROLYN	29042022	BENTLEY STAY & PLAY HOURS F	300.00	300.00
20220304	2022-05-05	CANOE PROCUREMENT GROUP OF CANADA, D	AB111024	PAYMENT ACTI-ZYME COMMERCIAL BLENI	6,219.68	6,219.68
20220305	2022-05-05	EASTMAN, LENORE	27APR2022	PAYMENT MEETING AT PRENTISS APRIL 27	42.48	42.48
20220306	2022-05-05	GREGG DISTRIBUTORS LP	059-448541 059-449633	PAYMENT PARKS & REC SUPPLIES & MUDF PARKS & REC PLANT BASKET H/	128.79 442,20	570.99
20220307	2022-05-05	KAIZEN LAB INC.	INV0072667	PAYMENT WATER SAMPLE HANDLING & C(	146.37	146.37
20220308	2022-05-05	LEAVITT MACHINERY CANADA INC.	INVC-321115	PAYMENT YEARLY INSPECTION & MAINTEN	394.38	394.38
20220309	2022-05-05	RATHJEN, GREG	APRIL2022	PAYMENT ECKVILLE LREMP ADVISORY MIL	42.48	42.48
20220310	2022-05-05	RIMBEY EXPRESS	2118	PAYMENT WATER SAMPLES & RETURNS F	106.52	106.52
20220311	2022-05-05	RSM ALBERTA LLP	6586271	PAYMENT THIRD BILLING AUDIT FINANCIAI	7,875.00	7,875.00
20220312	2022-05-05	SHAW CABLE	21042022 23042022	PAYMENT FCSS INTERNET FOR MAY 2022 P.W. SHOP INTERNET FOR MAY :	124.95 73.50	198.45
20220313	2022-05-05	STANTEC CONSULTING LTD.	1701129	PAYMENT SOUTHEAST ASP SERVICING ST	25,918.14	25,918.14
20220314	2022-05-05	STRAND MEDIA CORPORATION	66476	PAYMENT TOWN OF BENTLEY SELF INKIN(	30.19	30.19
20220315	2022-05-05	TAXERVICE	30042022	PAYMENT TAXERVICE FEES FOR APRIL 20;	2,341.50	2,341.50
20220316	2022-05-05	TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	04052022 05042022 May072022	PAYMENT TELUS BILL FOR MAY 2022 INTERAC LINE FOR MAY 2022 ARENA WIFI FOR MAY 2022	764.04 37.55 68.25	869.84
20220317	2022-05-05	WASTE CONNECTIONS OF CANADA INC.	7425-000024198	PAYMENT COMMERCIAL WASTE PICK UP F	907.53	907.53
20220318	2022-05-05	WASTE MANAGEMENT	1139808-0613-8	PAYMENT RECYCLING	6,282.39	6,282.39
20220319	2022-05-05	WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICES	8608	PAYMENT PROGRESS PAYMENT FOR MAY	1,330.88	1,330.88

Total 238,175.96

\*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*

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Cheque Register

				Pay Period M202204	Batch # 14805
Cheque #	Cheque Date	CEO	CAO	Employee	Amount
20220320	2022-05-15			17 RATHJEN,ARTHUR	604.93
20220321	2022-05-15			84 VALIQUETTE, BRENDA	316.20
20220322	2022-05-15			85 HANSEN, PAMELA	314.80
20220323	2022-05-15			86 GRIMSDALE, DALE	415.46
20220324	2022-05-15			87 EASTMAN, LENORE	376.41
				Totals	2,027.80

\*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*



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# Town of Bentley 2022 Budget – Projections Q1

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Where do your budget dollars go?

# Where do your budget dollars go?

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# Statistics

- 1 water treatment plant
- 1 bulk fill water station
- 1 clear well reservoir
- 3 portable water reservoirs
- 8.17 km of water main
- 3.2 km of storm sewer
- 8.26 km of sanitary sewer
- 75 water main valves
- 10 waste water valves
- 109 wastewater manholes
- 20 catch basin manholes
- 63 catch basins
- 2 retention ponds
- 44 hydrants and 1 flush point
- 1 septic receiving station (campground)
- 8 lagoons for waste water treatment
  - 4 anaerobic cells
  - 2 facultative cells
  - 2 storage cells

- 1.67 km of chain link fence
- .34 km of chain and post
- 2.28 km of barbed wire
- 12 hanging baskets
- 26 planters
- 1025 sq. ft. of flower beds
- 445 water meters billed
- 13 sewer and garbage only
- 8 commercial garbage bins
- 648 property tax rolls
- 1078 residents per census
- 664 bookings arena per yr.
- 437 hr. Lacombe enfcmt

- Maintenance and support of vertical assets
  - Old Firehall for Parks and Rec
  - Oxford School
  - Bentley Arena
  - Curling Rink
  - Bentley Library
  - Community Hall
  - Public Works Buildings (2)
  - Pump houses (2)
  - Ski Hill
  - Bentley Fire Hall
  - Town Hall
- 11 light duty vehicles/equip
- 5 heavy duty vehicles
- 4 bins/seacan for recycling
- 4 playgrounds
- 31 outdoor garbage receptacles
- 4 parking lots
- 3km of bike path

Strategic Plan Goals Update Q1

# Council Workshops

- Strategic Planning Workshop held with council on November 24, 2021
  - Intent to review existing strategic plan
  - Provide materials for New Council to review
  - Allow time to settle in the role as Council
- Additional workshop May 9 to 13
  - Review the ideas suggested on November 24, 2021, workshop
  - Reflect if they are relevant now that council has had a few months in term
  - Discuss priorities and refine long term objectives that align with the Strategic Plan
- Prepare summary of workshops and objectives to validate with the public at future meeting

# Background Bentley Community Strategic Plan

### Vision:

"As we look to the future we see the Town of Bentley as a community that offers residents a high quality of life that grows in a sustainable manner that is safe, clean, attractive, friendly and family oriented. The community benefits from its strategic location building on its strengths of being proactive in planning for economic growth in an environmentally responsible manner. Bentley celebrates community spirit where citizens are actively involved in shaping and guiding the future of the community."

### **Mission**:

"The Town of Bentley is committed to delivering excellence every day through the provision of cost effective services that enhance the quality of life for all citizens within the community. We are committed to open communication and dialogue with all residents that we serve to ensure that we understand and deliver optimal services."

# Background Bentley Community Strategic Plan

### **Goals of the Strategic Plan**

- Effective Communication and Engagement
- Financial Stability
- Economic Growth
- Enriched and United Community
- Organizational Success

### **Effective Communication and Engagement**

- Website/Branding Project (On Schedule)
  - RFP was posted the beginning of April and closed April 22
  - Evaluation team is reviewing and anticipate award to come to council May 24, 2022 meeting
  - Will form part of the long-term marketing plan for the community
- AT Roundabout project (AT construction update and schedule coming for late spring early summer)
  - Public Information session was held by AT <u>www.highway20-12roundabout.ca</u> (public information accessible from May 21, 2021, to July 9, 2021) and was posted on Facebook and Town Website
  - Roundabout signage project and options determined through public engagement 288 survey responses to select desired sign
- Formal marketing plan (2022) (late 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter on schedule)
  - Will be reaching out to Bentley businesses through zoom to strategize collaborative marketing
  - Idea is to capitalize on the marketing efforts of others but not duplicate identify gaps and use town dollars to advertise in those gaps community marketing
  - Website and Branding to be the catalyst for plan

# Effective Communication and Engagement (Cont'd)

### Events strategy (2022) (early 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter – on schedule)

- Information gathering phase community services putting together calendar of all events has reached out to community organizations
- Once calendar is created in rough form will be engagement with council for next steps
- Citizen recognition program (2022) (Q3)
  - Looking at hosting a cake and coffee event in Fall with all community, staff and potentially local community groups and organizations

### **Financial Stability**

- Quarterly Reporting (completed and ongoing)
- 2021 Audit Completed and Financial Statements Presented and Approved by Council, all reporting submitted to Province
- FCM Asset Management Grant (completed in final review of reports and documents)
  - Engagement with Mayor and Council
  - Engagement with Staff
  - Reviewing final reports and once completed review will bring back to Mayor and Council
  - Next step to submit Grant Report to FCM for funding
- Municipal Affairs Municipal Accountability Program Audit (Completed)
  - Legislative compliance audit conducted by Municipal Affairs and is completed
  - Waiting for draftt report to share with council
- Additional Mapping of community infrastructure (GIS Transition to Parkland Community Planning)
  - Data has transitioned from MRF to Parkland Community Planning
  - Public Works continues to review all mapping data and updating accordingly

## Financial Stability (Cont'd)

- Review of Capital Plan (Q2)
  - Do not anticipate success with Canada Community Revitalization Grant Review with Mayor and Council priorities as part of Strategic Planning workshop utilization of Capital Funds and options
  - Can continue with concrete program and sidewalk replacement ready to go and we tendered and locked in competitive rates last year
  - Can explore other options such as park improvements in relation to Oxford School
- Building Assessment Oxford School (Q2)
  - Assessment completed and presented to Council beginning of Q2
  - Public information session to be scheduled in June or later in summer
  - Decision to be made regarding options for park and demolition

### **Economic Growth**

### Alberta Community Partnership Application (On Schedule)

- Approval received for \$200,000 grant to explore commercial development potential of lands to the Southeast of Bentley along hwy 12
- Intermunicipal Collaboration Committee re-established with Lacombe County including approved terms of reference
- Meetings continue and we are in the data gathering phase will wait until completion of election before we look to
  engage the public this will allow time for completion of servicing study, desktop biophysical study and rough site plan
  modelling
- Storm Water Management Study Completed
- Desktop Biophysical Study Completed, Working
- Water and Wastewater Study 90% Complete
- Landowner Engagements Underway

### Digital Services Squad Project Underway (Partnership with Community Futures)

- Will be walking around with grad student to introduce program next week
- Community Services undertook hiring of technology savvy grad students
- Project is fully funded via grant from Alberta Government(grant was applied for in collaboration with Blackfalds, Sylvan Lake, Community Futures)
- The Squad member will provide resources to local businesses to increase their digital presence by identification of priorities, exposure and education regarding various digital tools and technology.
- More information to come and official media release

### Enriched and United Community

- New Beginnings and Housing Partnerships (in progress) (Q2)
  - Site analysis, and financial analysis preliminary completed and presented to Council
  - Fortis Quote Received and is withing reasonable costs to continue to proceed
  - Obtaining quotes form TELUS, Shaw and Atco
  - Anticipate all information to be received by end of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter and schedule public information session for Q3

### RCMP & Lacombe Enforcement (Ongoing)

- Meeting and reporting from RCMP has occurred with Council
- Meeting with Lacombe County Enforcement Mark Sproule completed
- Continue to work with RCMP and Lacombe County Enforcement to ensure they engage the community
- RCMP and Lacombe Enforcement to support the community in summer events

### Waste and Recycling Options (Ongoing)

- Presentation from Jay Hohn Lacombe Regional Waste Services in Q1 Completed
- LRWSC is installing new bins at transfer site we have asked for further material to be distributed through utility billing regarding how to recycle for residents
- Hazardous Waste Roundup to occur in June or July

### Land Use Bylaw consolidation (Q4)

- Will review Land Use Bylaw in 2022 and summarize required changes for Parkland Community Planning Association
- Creating comprehensive list of required changes and consolidations for submission to Parkland Community Planning Association

### **Organizational Successes**

### Explore online options for Online Council Meeting Technology (Q2)

- Look at options to increase accessibility of council meetings
- Cost prohibitive at this point
- Seniors are looking to add a simple cameral in the Drop In that we can utilize for call in by councilors
- Review and create policy for online meetings

### Community Events Strategy Falls into this category as well (2022)

- Engage organizations and form additional community partnerships
- Successful Celebrate Canada and Bentley Event in collaboration with Lacombe Tourism
- Rodeo is a go for 2022

### Continue to Lobby for reopening of Dr. Office at Care Centre (Ongoing)

- Contacted Nurse Practitioners of Alberta
- Requested formal meeting with AHS and still no date
- Connected with Eckville regarding their continued push for Nurse Practitioner

#### Drive Happiness Program Launched (Q2)

- Volunteer recruitment was successful in finding a couple of volunteers
- Program is currently running and available in the community

2022 Budget – CAO Summary Budget Recap

## 2022 BUDGET CAO SUMMARY

### Revenue:

- No tax increases for municipal purposes (small increase to offset Provincial Policing Cost Increase)
- No additional borrowing with a focus to pay off outstanding debenture
- Penalties on late payments of taxes and utilities will be resumed
- Franchise Fee rates have been held at current rates revenue is increasing
- Garbage rates continue to be frozen at 2020 rates
- Utility & Sewer Rates continue to be frozen at 2020 rates

### Expenses

- CPI Index increases for wages for both staff and Mayor and Council absorbed in budget
- 1 Additional Full Time Equivalent FTE for Public Works (Parks and Recreation)
- Focus on improvements for economic development/tourism attraction:
  - ACP grant area structure plan
  - Website redevelopment and branding project
  - Continued signage enhancement to move Bentley out to Hwy 20 & 12 Junction
  - Redesign of New Beginnings Subdivision into SFD lots underway will bring to future public engagement session
  - Begin Land Use Bylaw consolidation and revisions to promote better interface for development
- Planned Website revamp and branding exercise for Bentley
- Continuation of Asset Management implementation

2022 Budget Revenue by Category and Function

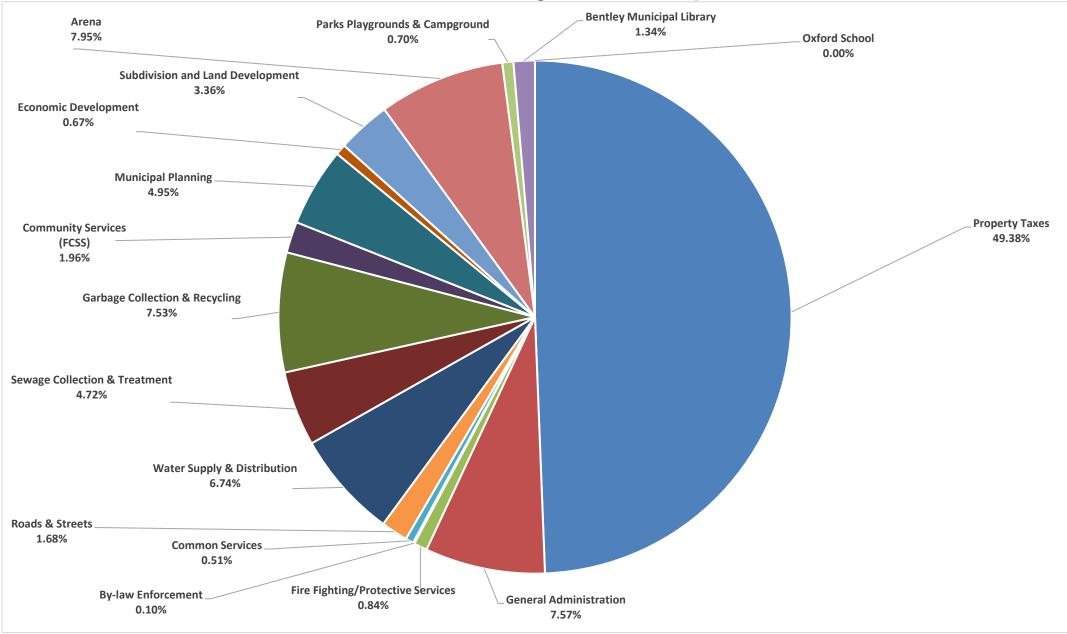
# Revenue Collected by Category

Revenue Category	Amount	Percentage
Property Taxes	\$1,465,781.06	49.38%
Penalties and Fines	\$52,700.00	1.78%
Licenses and Permits	\$7,695.00	.26%
Sale of Goods and Services	\$658,300.00	22.18%
Rentals	\$184,700.00	6.22%
Franchise Fees	\$140,000.00	4.72%
Provincial and Federal Grants	\$132,751.00	4.47%
Other Government Transfers	\$124,495.00	4.19%
Other Transfers	0	0%
Other Revenue	\$201,970.00	6.80%
TOTALS	\$2,968,392.06	100%

- \$286,855.82 Education Tax • 6,558.00
- Seniors Requisitions \$ • \$ 38,689.00
- Policing Invoice ٠

Are paid from the property tax Collected. Net Municipal Revenue \$2,636,289.24

# **Revenue Collected by Municipal Function**

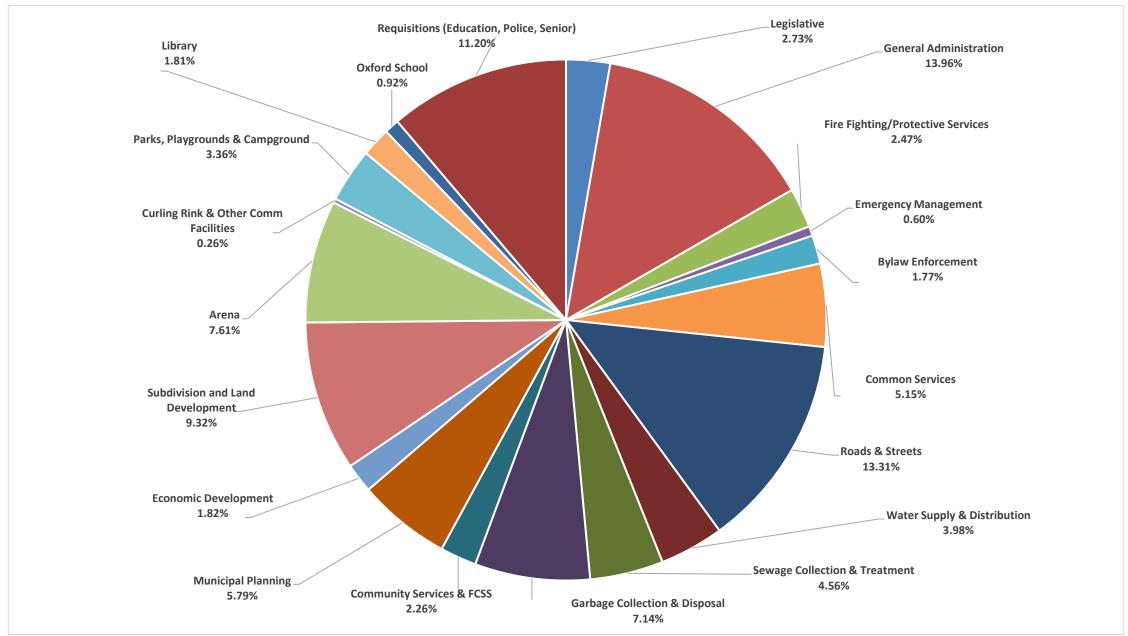


2022 Budget Expense By Category and Function

# Expenses Paid by Category

Revenue Category	Amount	Percentage
Wages/Benefits & Remuneration	\$792,681.00	26.74%
Memberships/Partnerships/Training/ Conferences and Licenses	\$57,182.00	1.93%
Mileage and Sustenance	\$8,100.00	.27%
Postage/Freight, phone & internet	\$28,775.00	.97%
Purchased Services	\$822,709.50	27.76%
Utilities	\$194,500.00	6.56%
Insurance	\$96,929.00	3.27%
Materials/Goods & Supplies	\$132,050.00	4.45%
Bank Charges and Loan Payments	\$275,199.00	9.28%
Grants & Donations	\$62,445.00	2.12%
Other Transfers (includes MSI & Gas Tax Grants to fund capital projects)	\$0	0%
Other	\$20,200.00	.68%
Capital	\$141,359.00	4.77%
Requisitions (Ed., Seniors, Police)	\$332,102.82	11.20%
TOTALS	\$2,964,232.32	100%

# **Expense Collected by Municipal Function**



2022 Revenue Increases and Decreases2022 Budget to Q1 Projection

## SUMMARY OF 2022 BUDGET REVENUE INCREASES Summary of major changes from 2021

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#### Revenue Increases and Decreases from 2022 Budget to Q1 Projected 2022 Budget

- Property Taxes \$61.50 Increased revenue higher than anticipated Seniors Foundation Requestion
- Penalties and Fines \$800 Decreased revenue less tax sale fees associated with delinquent tax properties
- Licenses and Permits \$500 Increased revenue due to trend of more development permits issued
- Sale of Good and Services \$14,450 Increased revenue due to sale of unused woodchipper and non usable couplers and other water system supplies.
- Rentals \$500 Decreased revenue due to no charge to seniors drop in for rent in exchange for our permanent use of the drop in for council meetings. additional Arena bookings in anticipation that COVID restrictions will continue to be relaxed and completion of slab project for next season
- Franchise Fees \$12,000 Increased revenue Franchise Fee Revenue (Franchise Fee Percentages have been frozen since 2020) but higher distribution and transmission charges by service providers FORTIS and ACCESS GAS have increased resulting in higher revenues for the Town anticipate this trend to continue
- Provincial /Federal Grants \$1,067,895 Decreased revenue Do not anticipate success with Canada Community Revitalization Grant and therefore not moving forward with Arena Slab Replacement. MSI, Gas Tax funding still available but not specifically allocated to a project. Can move forward with phase II of concrete program but need to further discuss with council priorities and projects. Will amend financial reporting in Q2 if we move forward with capital project, however we can carry forward MSI and Gas Tax funding for 5 years.

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- Other Government Transfers \$357,757 Decreased revenue from Lacombe County \$360,000 to support the Arena Slab project, which is not moving forward. this is offset by anticipated AB Gov't fines revenue
- Other Revenue \$50,000 Increased revenue due to possible reserve transfer to offset cost of acquiring a good used tool cat to support operations. Acquisition approved by Council for up to \$65,000 to be funded via the \$15,000 sale of chipper and couplings and reserve transfer. We are also looking at selling the old Dakota and old sweeper and these funds will be used to reduce any reserve transfer.

2022 Expense Increases and Decreases 2022 Budget to Q1 Projection

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- Requisitions to Other Governments and Agencies \$61.50 Increased Expenditure related to senior's requisition
- Wages Benefits & Remuneration \$10,383 Decreased Expenditure due to:
  - revised estimates based on full year end actuals for 2021
  - includes increase 1FTE for a Parks Supervisor/Safety Officer and CPL index increases of approximately \$17,000 based on a 3.2% increase (includes compensation and benefits increases as a result)
- Advertising/Memberships/Conferences/Training \$2,934 increased Expenditure due to: misallocation of expense to different category in original budget
  - FCSS increase of \$1,000 misallocated to purchased service original budget
  - Economic Development increase of \$1,000 misallocated to purchased service in original budget
  - Municipal Planning increase of \$1,000 misallocated to purchased service in original budget

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# Expenditure Increases & Decreases from 2022 Budget to Q1 Projected 2022 Budget

Postage/Freight and Telephone/Internet increase of \$1,000 common services due to upgrade of internet to Shaw as they had poor performance with TELUS

# Purchased Services increase of \$18,468 due to:

# - Administration decrease of \$800 due:

- \$5,500 increase audit fees anticipated based on year end actuals
   \$3,000 increase electrical costs associated to light replacements in Parks & rec Shop upgraded to LED will save power in long run
- \$700 increase in janitorial fees due to more programming downstairs and agreement to clean seniors drop in because of council meetings
- \$5,000 decrease computer support fees based on trend and upgraded equipment
- \$4,000 decrease fees based on a smaller number of properties being considered for tax sale
   \$1,000 decrease in equip purchased repair and maintenance allowance to offset increased costs
- Fire Fighting and Protective Services decrease \$500 due to anticipated less allowance for building purchase services
- Emergency Management increase \$200 due to late cancellation of Covid forms subscription
- Roads and Streets increase of \$500 due to tire replacements Dodge 3500 1ton
- Water Supply and Distribution decrease of \$700 due increased cost budgeted for new handheld for meter reads, offset by decreases in allowances for Water analysis, build purchase repair and water system services repairs

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- Purchased Services increase of \$18,468 due to (cont'd):
  - Garbage Collection and Disposal Decrease of \$2,000 based on actuals to date and historical
  - Community Services/FCSS decrease of \$1,500 due to projecting general savings and correcting the previous misallocation of budget to this category instead of Adv, promotion and marketing budget
  - Municipal Planning decrease of \$1,000 due to previous misallocation of budget to this category instead of Adv, memberships & conference training
  - **Economic Development increase of \$14,000** due to adding \$15,000 additional budget for branding and website project based on responses received to RFP offset by decrease \$1,000 due to previous misallocation of budget to this category instead of Adv memberships & conference training
  - Arena decrease of \$500 due to anticipated savings in general purchased services
  - Oxford School increase of \$11,267.50 increase due to costs associated to completing comprehensive building assessment awarded through competitive bid

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- Utilities decrease of \$500 due to budget adjustment to streetlights based on actuals
- Materials Goods and Supplies decrease of approximately \$2,800 due to general prices increasing with price index increases and as follows:
  - Fire and protective services increase of \$500 due to building maintenance supply increase for minor kitchen repairs
  - Common Services decrease of \$3,000 as a general allowance decrease to offset some additional costs incurred throughout budget.
  - Roads and Streets increase of \$5,000 due to anticipation of rising fuel prices continuing
  - Water Supply and Distribution decrease of \$4,500 general allowance decrease to offset some additional incurred throughout the budget
- costs

- FCSS decrease of \$2,000 in general supply and program expenses
- Arena increase of \$1,000 purchase of Olympia gas edger offset by savings in janitorial supplies
- Oxford increase of \$200 for furnace repair in late winter

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- Grants and Donations increase of \$1,545 due to additional funding to school drama program and small additional amount approved through Tourism Rec and culture grants for local Bentley organizations.
- Other Amounts decrease of \$1,000 due to revised allowance
- Capital decrease of \$1,362,141 due to arena slab project not moving forward \$1,440,000 reduction offset by additional \$65,000 budget for tool cat and additional \$13,359 budgeted for the roundabout signage over original budget as well as \$500 savings in new laptop for PW



# Proposed Projects for 2022 (have not received approval to date)

# 1.) Bentley Arena Slab Replacement \$1,440,000

The Bentley Arena was constructed in 1965 and has been operating since it was open. The slab is original to the facility and had a partial replacement in 2007 for the end of the faceoff circle to the East end boards. The replacement slab is moving vertically up and down between 2" and 3" and has resulted in a crack opening in the slab along the line of movement as well as additional cracks forming throughout the slab.

- Movement has resulted in uneven ice coverage which creates inefficient ice plant operation, additional operational time to repaint lines during the season and melting of ice during chinooks
- The project will replace the entire arena slab contingent on our success with the Canada Community Revitalization Grant

- Can move forward with Concrete Program Phase 2 – utilizing MSI and Gas Tax Funding or regroup and move forward with another Council priority such as the Park where Oxford sits.

# Proposed Projects for 2022

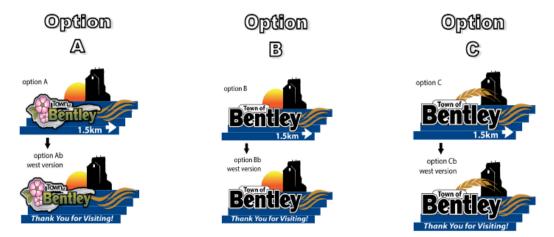
**Project Description:** 

Original Project Budget \$50,000 funded by Franchise Fees Revised Project Budget \$63,359 approved by Council and To be funded via operational budget as per 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Projections

# 2.) Town of Bentley Roundabout Signage

- Alberta Transportation is planning to construct a single land roundabout at the intersection of Highway 20 and Highway 12, west of Bentley to improve both traffic safety and traffic capacity
- The Town of Bentley has negotiated with Alberta Transportation the ability
   To place Town directional and gateway signage in the center of the roundabout to
   Enhance tourism and inform the vehicular traffic that we are here and only a short
   Distance up the road.
- Signage Survey Completed and option B chosen by community, installation to take place this summer

# Please Circle Your Preference. Return to Town Office by April 15th, 2022



# Proposed Projects for 2022

**Project Description:** 

- 3.) Branding and Website
- Original Budget \$30,000 funded via \$20,000 unspent prior years budget transferred to reserves and \$10,000 funded via Franchise fee revenue)
  - Revised Budget \$45,000 additional \$15,000 to be funded via operational savings as per Q1 Projections
  - Is not truly a capital project, but is a major project for the Town
  - RFP was posted and closed, and we are currently evaluating proposals (we received a total of 12 proposals)
  - This focuses on a goal to continue to support Mayor and Council's goal of Effective Communication and Engagement as Economic Growth
  - The intent is to provide a refined platform to engage citizens and share information as well as market the community and support tourism and business attraction and retention

# Proposed Projects for 2022

**Project Description:** 

3.) Computer Replacement Public Works \$3,500 original budget (Came in just under \$3,000) - Completed

- Most of the Computer infrastructure was upgraded in 2021, however I could not replace the Public Works Foreman's computer or the Community Services/FCSS computer (which was newer)
- 2022 will replace the Public Works Foreman computer infrastructure
- 2023 will replace the Community Services/FCSS computer
- Both computers are outdated
  - Public Works Computer was replaced more than 6 years ago
  - Community Services / FCSS computer more than 6 years ago
  - The older computer equipment will be repurposed to support Public Works and Parks staff

# **QUESTIONS?**



Agenda Date: May 10, 2022

Agenda Item: Wayfinding/Directional Signage Hwy 12 & 20 Roundabout – Option chosen by Town Residents

# SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Alberta Transportation collaborating with their Consultant WSP intend to begin construction of the new roundabout at Hwy 12 & 20 in the Spring/Summer of 2022.

The roundabout was determined to be necessary upon the completion of an intersection analysis and roundabout feasibility study that was completed in 2019. The objective of the study was to determine improvements that optimize traffic safety and operations based on a cost benefit and lifecycle cost analysis. The study confirmed that safety improvements were warranted at this intersection and a roundabout was the most appropriate intersection type to increase overall traffic capacity and improve safety.

The roundabout will consist of the following key features:

- Simple single lane roundabout design
- Fewer potential conflict points versus a signalized intersection
- Constructed at the existing intersection location to minimize the overall footprint and environmental impacts
- Speed controlled through geometric features that allow for safe and continuous traffic flow at all times of day
- Includes a traversable central island apron and outer truck over run area, which will accommodate heavy truck, farm equipment and tractor trailer combination vehicles
- On site detour will be planned during construction to reduce costs and minimize delays

Alberta Transportation also hosted an online public information session between May 21, 2021, and July 9, 2021, to seek questions and comments regarding the proposed roundabout.

On March 8, 2022, Mayor and Council approved a competitive bid to Signmasters to work with administration on final designs of the Roundabout signage. (Attachment 1). Several design options were considered and were short-listed with the intention to survey the community regarding the selection of the preferred option.

The Signage survey ran from mid-March to mid-April and provided residents with the option to log their preferred choice for three options A, B and C (Attachment 2). For those that could not utilize the online survey, the poll was also ran in the Neighborhood Notes, advertised through Facebook, and posted on the Town Website. A tear off form was also available for residents to manually submit their preferred choice.

# **CURRENT STATUS**

The survey was closed on April 15, 2022, and the results came in as follows:

Total Votes Received	288
Online Survey Results Received	229
Votes Received in Office	59
Total Votes received by Sign Design (Attachm	ent #3)
Total Votes received by Sign Design (Attachm Option A	ent #3) 82

This is a fantastic response rate for a survey of this nature 288/1048 = 28% (the equivalent of 28% of Bentley's population responded to the Survey.

Singmaster is currently in the design phase and administration has confirmed with Alberta Transportation that they have no concerns with the design or placement of the sign. Administration is currently submitting all required permits along with the already approved site plan. We have also asked Alberta Transportation to provide their construction schedule and timelines as soon as possible so that we can post for the public.

# **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Amount of Low Bid Over Budget	\$15,000*
Successful Bid (Signmasters)	\$65,000
2022 Budgeted Amount	\$50,000

\*Funded from Operations or Reserves – approval March 8, 2022

# ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Mayor and Council accept this update report as information.

# ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) March 8, 2022, Council Meeting Wayfinding Directional Signage Report
- 2) Survey Options
- 3) Survey Monkey and Manual Submission Results

Marc Fortais, CAO



Agenda Date: March 8, 2022

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The Town of Bentley administration has been working with Alberta Transportation and has secured the right to utilize the land in the middle of the roundabout for the placement of additional entrance signage that will market the proximity of the Town and help to direct traffic to the community to support local business and encourage economic development.

The purpose of this report is to provide options for roundabout signage design for Mayor and Council's consideration and to seek approval of the required additional funding above the 2022 budgeted amount so that the competitive bid can be awarded and proceed.

# **CURRENT STATUS**

Gateway signage and directional signage is an integral part of marketing for a community. It highlights a communities visitor friendliness, community pride and creates a sense of place. It welcomes people home and welcomes visitors to our community and it sets the stage for that excitement that lies down the road

With the significant volumes of traffic along the highway 12 & 20 corridors, even if the Town can encourage a small portion of that traffic to turn towards the town for services, there will be a significant economic benefit to the local business community.

Beginning in August of 2021 the Town of Bentley administration approached 5 local firms from Bentley, Red Deer and Lacombe, to provide quotes and their designs for the roundabout signage. Signage had to be designed to a safe standard and meet or exceed Alberta Transportation standards for a highway sign. As a result, there were only two sign companies that showed interest and submitted a design and their bids.

The Town of Bentley administration has chosen to work with Lacombe Signmasters based on their submission of the low bid and their design. Attached are the options for Mayor and Council's consideration (Attachment #2).

# **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Amount of Low Bid Over Budget	\$15,000*
Successful Bid (Signmasters)	<u>\$65,000</u>
2022 Budgeted Amount	\$50,000

# \*Recommend funding from operational budget, but if shortfall at year end fund from reserve

# ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION Contract Award and Funding

THAT Mayor and Council authorize the CAO to award the sign contract to Lacombe Signmasters at a total cost of \$65,000 plus GST; and

THAT the additional \$15,000 over the 2022 estimated budgeted amount be funded first through any operational surpluses at year end; and

THAT if there are no operational surpluses at year end that the additional \$15,000 over the 2022 estimated budgeted amount be funded via general reserve.

# <u>Sign Designs</u>

THAT Mayor and Council consider the design options as presented by administration for consideration and short list down to two design options, and

THAT Mayor and Council authorize administration to poll the community of Bentley regarding the preferred option for the final design.

# ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Alberta Transportation Public Information Session Advertisement
- 2) Signmasters Town of Bentley Roundabout Sign Designs

Marc Fortais, CAO



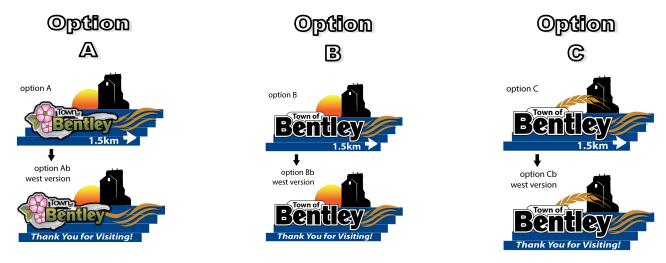
**Thank you to the Community of Bentley** for your initial feedback regarding the new proposed signs for the Roundabout on HWY 12 & 20.

There were four options presented initially. Through community feedback and input, Mayor and Council have shortlisted to **THREE** options.

*IT'S TIME TO VOTE!* We are asking the community to provide feedback through this survey so that you can choose how you want to reflect your community with this awesome community signage.

This is an exiting time for Bentley as we look toward the future, find new ways to market our community and have a greater presence along the highway 12 & 20 corridor.

# Please Circle Your Preference. Return to Town Office by April 15th, 2022



Survey can also be found online at .....surveymonkey address

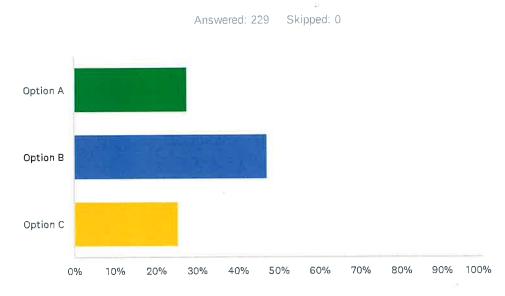




Roundabout Signage Survey

SurveyMonkey

# Q1 Please choose the signage you would like to see at the Roundabout .



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Option A	27.51%	63
Option B	47.16%	108
Option C	25.33%	58
TOTAL		229

Manual Responses Received 59

Option A 19 Option B 35 Option C <u>5</u> Total 59

19

 $\frac{Totals}{Option A} = 63 + 19 = 82$  B = 35 + 108 = 143 C = 1115 + 58 = 63



Agenda Date: May 10, 2022 Agenda Item: New Business: Seniors Week June 6 to 12, 2022

# SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Seniors are an integral part of the Town of Bentley. They are parents, grandparents, mentors, and friends. They are the foundation of what our community is and will continue to be. Each one of the seniors that we all know, have contributed, and made a difference to the quality of life that we all enjoy today. Mayor and Council encourage the Town of Bentley and all residents to recognize, celebrate and support the seniors in our community.

Community Services in partnership with the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church will be hosting s free luncheon on June 5<sup>th</sup>. FCSS is renting the hall, will be preparing posters, and taking registrations for this upcoming event. The church will provide the food, decorations, entertainment, and volunteers. Stay tuned for more information to be posted on the Town Website, Facebook, and Neighborhood Notes.

June 9<sup>th</sup> the Seniors Drop in will be hosting an afternoon, Bingo.

Administration has also attached a proclamation declaring June 15, 2022, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (Attachment 1). We encourage Bentley residents to celebrate and recognize the accomplishments of older adults and connect with the seniors that are an integral part of your life.

# **RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION**

• Seniors Week runs from June 6 to 12 and has been celebrated since 1986 to recognize seniors throughout the province. Seniors' week is a great opportunity to honor and recognize all those seniors have contributed to making our families, communities, province, and country stronger.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Mayor and Council declare that June 6 to 12, 2022 is officially recognized as Seniors Week in the Town of Bentley; AND

THAT Mayor and Council Sign the Proclamation recognizing June 15, 2022, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

# ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Proclamation
- 2. Seniors Week Poster

Marc Fortais, CAO

# **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Proclamation**

Preventing and addressing elder abuse is a shared responsibility and requires engagement and action on the part of all sectors of society. Preventing and reducing elder abuse starts with knowledge. All Albertans need to be aware of the factors that contribute to elder abuse, how to recognize it and where to go for assistance if it happens. By understanding the nature and scope of elder abuse, older adults and their family members can take proactive steps to help prevent situations where it could occur.

- **WHEREAS** older adults in Alberta are valued members of society and it is our collective responsibility to ensure they live safely and with dignity; and
- WHEREAS abuse of older adults is an ever-increasing issue in our society that crosses all cultures and socio-economic boundaries; and
- WHEREAS most abuse of older adults is hidden; and
- WHEREAS older adults in Alberta deserve to be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this province; and
- WHEREAS preventing abuse of older people will help improve the quality of life for all older adults in Alberta and will allow older adults to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of Alberta; and
- WHEREAS we are all responsible for building safer communities for Alberta's older adults; and
- **WHEREAS** empowering older persons is an effective tool in preventing the abuse of older adults.

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# SENIORS You Are Invited to LUNCH In Recognition Of Seniors Week

Sunday, June 5, 2022 @ 12:30 **Bentley Community Hall** 

Reservation Required

Call 403-748-2160

**Deadline to RSVP** June 3, 2022

**Home Delivery May Be Arranged Call To Discuss** 



# Bentley 7th Day Adventist Church **Town of Bentley FCSS**



# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 14, 2022

# PUBLIC HEARING - BYLAW NO. 1368/22 - Pt. NW 21-39-03 W5M - ALBERTA VIEWS RV & GOLF COURSE

A public hearing was held for Bylaw No. 1368/22. Bylaw No. 1368/22 is a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Land Use Bylaw No. 1237/17, to change the zoning of approximately 61.95 hectares (153.07 acres) on Pt. NW 21-39-03 W5M, from Agricultural 'A' District to Recreation "PR" District.

Bylaw No. 1368/22 was given second reading.

# PUBLIC HEARING - BYLAW NO. 1367/22 - W1/2 34-39-02 W5M - PALM COVE

A public hearing was held for Bylaw No. 1367/22. Bylaw No. 1367/22 is a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Land Use Bylaw No. 1237/17 to change the zoning of approximately 9.04 acres (3.65 hectares) described as W1/2 34-39-02 W5M from Agricultural "A" District to Residential Conservation Cluster "R-RCC" District.

Bylaw No. 1367/22 was given second reading.

#### PUBLIC HEARING - BYLAW NOS. 1365/22 and 1366/22

A public hearing was held for Bylaw Nos. 1365/22 and 1366/22. Bylaw No. 1365/22 is a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Municipal Development Plan Bylaw No. 1238/17 as it relates to general regulations and district requirements. Bylaw No. 1366/22 is a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Land Use Bylaw No. 1237/17 as it relates to general regulations and district requirements.

Bylaw Nos. 1365/22 and 1366/22 were given second reading and third reading and passed.

# AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

The following recommendations from the Agricultural Service Board meeting held on March 1, 2022 were approved by Council:

- That the information/suggestions regarding the Lacombe County Agriculture Guide be received for information.
- That the Agricultural Service Board Field Visit and Audit Report be received for information.
- That the Agricultural Service Board focus on education programs and extension work highlighting soil erosion and the Soil Conservation Act.
- That the County Manager be directed to prepare a report and recommendations for Council's consideration at a future Council meeting regarding the restructuring of the Lacombe County Agricultural Service Board and its Terms of Reference.
- That the Recycling Council of Alberta presentation be received for information.
- That the information/suggestions regarding the Central Region Agricultural Service Board Conference be received for information.
- That the presentation on CleanFarms Inc. and the agreement between CleanFarms Inc. and Lacombe County be received for information.
- That the Farm Safety Centre report be received for information.
- That the ALUS Proposal for re-introduction of the ALUS program into Lacombe County be received for information.



- That the Weed Free Forage Program Report be received for information.
- That the Clubroot Variant Testing Report be received for information.
- That the presentation on the upcoming Lacombe County Agricultural Extension Programming be received for information.

The following recommendation from the Agricultural Service Board meeting of March 1, 2022 did not receive the approval of Council:

• That the County Manager be directed to prepare a report regarding possible deliverable alternatives to the ALUS Program.

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

The following recommendations from the Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 5, 2022 received the approval of Council:

- That the report on Policy OP(8) Road Construction Compensation Rates be received for information.
- That the report on the Sandy Point Development Agreement be received for information.
- That the presentation on the Farmers' Advocate Office be received for information.
- That the presentation on the Lacombe County Land Use Bylaw be received for information; and further, that information regarding the Land Use Bylaw be presented in the County News on a periodical basis.
- That the presentation on the Lacombe County Rural Internet Update be received for information; and further, that the County Manager be directed to invite internet service providers to make future presentations to Council.
- That the update and overview of the mandates of the Alberta Government Bill 77 and discussions with the Alberta Municipal Administrators' Association be received for information.
- That the following issues be forwarded to the RMA for their consideration for their April 14, 2022 attendance at Council.
- That Council tour Enhance Energy on June 30, 2022 and also tour Greenway Farma at a time dependent on the time provided by Enhance Energy on June 30, 2022.
- That Council be authorized to attend the Parkland Community Planning workshop on Joint Use and Planning Agreements (JUPAs) between municipalities and school boards on the morning of May 20, 2022.
- That a review of Lacombe County's Procedural Bylaw take place at a future Committee of the Whole meeting.
- That the presentation on Social Media Training and the Lacombe County Social Media Policy be received for information.
- That the presentation on Cybersecurity Awareness be received for information.



#### **HIGHWAY 604**

Ms. Shepherd, Mr. West, Mr. Weenink, Mr. Timmons and representatives of Lacombe County will attend a proposed meeting with MLA Ron Orr and the Minister of Transportation Rajan Sawhney to discuss the paving of the final five miles of Highway 604.

# BYLAW NO. 1374/22 - THE SLOPES

Bylaw No. 1374/22, a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Land Use Bylaw No. 1237/17, to change the zoning of Plan 152 4826, Block 5, Lot 13; Plan 152 4826, Block 5, Lot 14; Plan 152 4826, Block 5, Lot 15, and Plan 152 4826, Block 5, Lot 16 from Higher Density Residential 'R-HDR' District to Residential Conservation Cluster "R-RCC" District was given first reading by Council. A public hearing will be held on May 12, 2022, starting at 9:00 a.m.

# BYLAW NO. 1370/22 - USE OF HIGHWAYS

To allow for the enforcement of the Digital Parking System at the Sandy Point Beach, Sandy Point Boat Launch and Sunbreaker Cove Boat Launch several amendments as required have been made to the County's Use of Roads bylaw.

Bylaw No. 1370/22, a bylaw of Lacombe County respecting the use of highways under the direction, control and management of Lacombe County was given first, second and third reading and passed.

# BYLAW NO. 1373/22 - ENFORCEMENT OF BYLAWS

To allow for the enforcement of the Digital Parking System at the Sandy Point Beach, Sandy Point Boat Launch, and Sunbreaker Cove Boat Launch, several amendments were made to the County's Enforcement of Bylaws bylaw.

Bylaw No. 1373/22, a bylaw of Lacombe County respecting the enforcement of bylaws was given first, second and third reading and passed.

# BYLAW NO. 1371/22 - ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES

Bylaw No. 1371/22 has been updated to have the proposed parking fees for Sunbreaker Cove Boat Launch, and Sandy Point Beach and Boat Launch include a provision for a seasonal parking pass.

Bylaw No. 1371/22, a bylaw of Lacombe County respecting the enforcement of bylaws was given first, second and third reading and passed.

# **SUBDIVISION APPLICATION S-003-22**

Subdivision Application S-003-22 made by Richards Consulting and Associates Ltd., on behalf of the Track on 2 will subdivide an existing 58.67 ha (145 acre) parcel of land legally described as Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 992 0636, Pt. SW 23-40-27-W4M, west of the City of Lacombe owned by The Track on 2 Inc.

Subdivision Application S-003-22 was approved by Council subject to conditions,

# SUBDIVISION APPLICATION S-005-22

Subdivision Application S-005-22 made by Phil Stenerson will create a separate title to an approximately 0.16 ha (0.40 acre) parcel of land on the northwest part of Block Y, Plan 7159AI, located on the southeast part of the Hamlet of Mirror.

Subdivision Application S-005-22 was approved by Council subject to conditions,

# **RMA MEMBER VISIT**

Paul McLauchlin, President; Amber Link, District 2 Director, Gerald Rhodes, Executive Director Tasha Blumenthal, Director of External Relations and Advocacy of the RMA attended Council and discussion took place regarding advocacy issues, innovative projects by Lacombe County and RMA service provision with regard to business and advocacy.



Next Regular Council Meeting is Thursday, April 28, 2022 - 9:00 a.m.

Next Committee of the Whole Meeting is June 13, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Lacombe County Administration Building

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# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 28, 2022

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County Council gave bylaw No. 1368/22 third reading.

# 2021 OPERATING SURPLUS AND RESERVE ALLOCATION

By resolution of Council, the 2021 operating budget surplus was allocated as follows:

Trails and Parks Reserve	\$ 500,000
Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve	1,000,000
Remain in Unrestricted Surplus	 39,954

Total \$ 1,539,954

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - COUNCIL WORKSHOP

The County Council Workshop with Factor5 Group Inc. to develop the Lacombe County Economic Development Strategy will be held on June 20, 2022.

# AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD (ASB) STRUCTURE

The County Manager was directed to amend the Agricultural Service Board Terms of Reference as identified in Policy CC(3) by:

- 1. including a provision stating that the Agricultural Service Board is to meet a minimum of two times per year, and
- 2. replacing the clause "Reeve to Serve as Chair" with "Chairperson and Vice-chairperson" shall be selected by Council at the organizational meeting.

Policy CC(3), as amended, will be presented to Council at a future meeting for consideration of approval.

# SOLAR POWER UPDATE

A report was provided with respect to the June 2021 completion by SkyFire Energy of the installation of a 115 kWDC solar PV system on the roof of the Lacombe County shop building. This system includes 288 solar modules, two inverters, and 144 optimizers. To date, the system has produced 106,400 kWh, which equates to a CO<sup>2</sup> emission reduction of 41.7 T or the planting of 1,245 trees.

#### **RC(9) FUNDING OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES – ADDITIONAL REQUESTS** The following RC(9) applications received Council approval:

Gull Lake Community League\$554Mirror Association for Ball Diamonds, Campground and Skating\$500

# **RCMP CRIME PREVENTION UNIT UPDATE**

C/Supt. Peter Twefik, Officer In-Charge, provided an update on the activities and initiatives of the Alberta RCMP Crime Reduction Strategy.

# LACOMBE COUNTY INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

A presentation was provided on the Lacombe County Innovation Initiative. The Committee has been established to enable staff to submit initiatives to find efficiencies and cost savings in the operations of the County.



# **BATTLE RIVER WATERSHED ALLIANCE**

The Battle River Watershed Alliance (BRWA) presented the watershed management in the Battle River and Sounding Creek Watersheds for Council information.

# LACOMBE COUNTY 2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council approved the Lacombe County 2021 Financial Statements, which reflect the 2021 surplus and reserve allocations.

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# Greg Rathjen

# **REPORT FOR April 2022**

• April 12 Regular Town Council Meeting

**Carma Holmes, MBA, P. Eng., LEED AP made a** Presentation by the Engineering firm Associated regarding the Conditions/ costs to fix the building and direction town council must decide for the future of the Oxford School Building. We had substantial turn out to listen to the report and to share concerns.

• April 13 Meeting in Eckville LREMP Advisory Meeting Representatives from Municipalities and Summer Villages

Extending the contract for Julian to be four years from three years. The decision to pass the recommendation Contract was Tabled till each of us has a copy to peruse and then we view the contract and vote at a May Zoom Meeting.

• April 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting was canceled



Dale Grimsdale

# **REPORT FOR April 2022**

• April 12 - Regular Council meeting.



# Pam Hansen

# **REPORT FOR April 2022**

- April 12 Regular Meeting of Council
- April 26 Regular Meeting of Council Canalled



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# Lenore Eastman

# **REPORT FOR April 2022**

- April 12 Regular Council meeting.
  - April 27 Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission
    - went through the audit.
    - reported on all waste weights are on par.
    - reminded everyone on the new specifications on plastic recycling.



# **Brenda Valiquette**

# **REPORT FOR April 2022**

- April 12th, 2022, Regular council meeting
  - Oxford Hall was discussed and we had some very interesting comments, and some very good suggestions about what should or could be done with/or about the Oxford hall. No decisions have been made so far