



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

August 22, 2023

Date and Place Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 6:45 p.m., in the Bentley Municipal Office

In Attendance Mayor Greg Rathjen
Deputy Mayor Eastman
Councillor Grimsdale
Councillor Valiquette
Councillor Hansen
CAO, Marc Fortais

Call to Order Mayor Rathjen called the regular meeting to order at 6:45pm

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 188/2023 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the agenda of the August 22, 2023, Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council be amended to include as other business, a discussion item regarding changing the November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council due to his inability to attend as a result of a scheduling conflict."

Carried

Motion 189/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT the agenda of the August 22, 2023, Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council be amended to include as other business, a discussion item regarding bylaw amendments related to the operations of mowers within the Town of Bentley."

Carried

Motion 190/2023 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the amended agenda of the August 22, 2023, Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council be accepted."

Carried

Previous Minutes

Motion 191/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT the minutes of the August 22, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted."

Carried

Financial

a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20230495 to 20230614

Motion 192/2023 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT Cheques No. 20230495 to 20230614 be received for information."

Carried

New Business

a) Oxford Park Concept Plan - Report

Motion 193/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT Mayor and Council accept the report as information."

The motion was discussed and debated, and it was felt by council that the motion should be amended as follows, which Councillor Hansen Agreed to:

Amended

Motion 193/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT each member of Mayor and Council provide an email to the CAO regarding there feedback on the concepts for Oxford Park, prior to the next meeting on September 12, 2023; AND

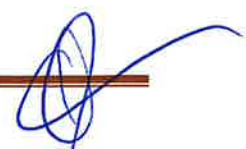
THAT the feedback be shared publicly, along with the concept plans so that they can be further debated by council at the September 12, 2023, Regular Council Meeting."

Carried

b) Main Street Banner Designs

Motion 194/2023 Moved by Deputy Mayor Eastman, "THAT Administration be directed to bring the concepts back to council on September 12, 2023, with an additional option for consideration, that flips the phrasing on the banners to show it from top to bottom."

Carried



c) RCMP Community Letter, Q1 Report and 4-year Crime Statistics

Motion 195/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT Mayor and Council accept the RCMP Community Letter, Q1 Report and 4-year crime statistics as information."

Carried

Correspondence

- a) Lacombe County Council Highlights July 13, 2023**
- b) AHS – Dedicated Indigenous Support Line**
- c) Fall Festival Event – In recognition of Good Neighbor Day**

Motion 196/2023 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT correspondence items a) to c) be received for information."

Carried

Other Business

- a) Changing the November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council due to Councillor Grimsdale inability to attend because of a scheduling conflict.**

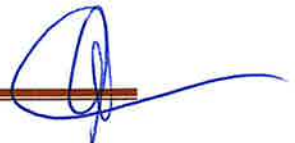
- The item was discussed, and the CAO indicated that cancelling the meeting may be better from an administrative perspective as this is budget and strategic planning time of the year. An additional workshop can be scheduled at a time that works for council to discuss budget, priorities, and planning.

Motion 197/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen that the November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council be cancelled due to scheduling conflict of a fellow council member, and to allow additional time for administration to prepare 2024 budget."

Carried

- b) Discussion regarding bylaw amendments related to the operations of ride on mowers on Town of Bentley streets.**

- During summer recess, Lacombe Enforcement enforced the operations of ride on mowers, golf carts on Town of Bentley streets.
- As per members of council, there were many residents upset and a young gentleman who was doing work for the summer mowing lawns was given a warning.



- Mayor and council would like to better understand the rationale for why the warnings were issued and if it is possible to amend the bylaw to allow for the operations of mowers within town.

Motion 198/2023 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT CAO Marc Fortais be directed to follow up with Lacombe Enforcement to receive details regarding the enforcement of ride on lawnmowers in the Town of Bentley and report back to council regarding the enforcement."

Carried

Council Reports

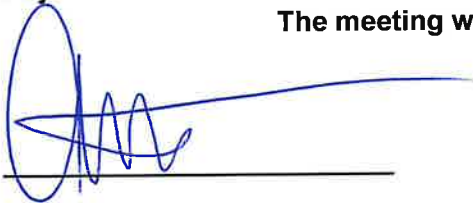
- Mayor Rathjen**
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- Councillor Hansen**

Motion 199/2023 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT the Council Reports for July 2023, be accepted as information."

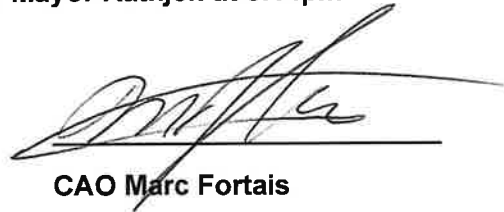
Carried

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Rathjen at 8:14pm



Mayor Greg Rathjen



CAO Marc Fortais