



**Minutes of the Regular of the Council of the Town of Bentley
May 28, 2024**

Date and Place Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in the Bentley Municipal Office

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

Call to Order Mayor Rathjen called the regular council meeting to order at 6:30pm

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 113/2024 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hansen, "THAT the agenda of the May 28, 2024, regular meeting be amended to include the following as Other Business:

- a) IDP/ICF Update from Mayor Rathjen
- b) Water Handheld Replacement Update (CAO)
- c) Campground Bylaw – 2-week restriction

Carried

Motion 114/2024 Moved by Councillor Eastman, "THAT the amended agenda of the May 28, 2024, regular meeting be accepted."

Carried

Previous Minutes

Motion 115/2024 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT the minutes of the May 28, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted."

Carried

Financial

a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20240333 to 20240394

Motion 116/2024 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT Cheques No. 20240233 to 20240394 be received for information.”

Carried

New Business

a) Town of Bentley 1st Quarter Financial Report

Motion 117/2024 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT the 1st quarter financial report for the Town of Bentley as presented by the CAO be accepted and approved.

Carried

Break

Motion 118/2024 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hansen, “THAT Mayor and Council take a short recess at 8:03pm for 5 minutes.”

Carried

Mayor Rathjen called the meeting back to order at 8:09pm

b) Bylaw 247/2024 Tax Rate Bylaw for the 2024 Tax Year

Motion 119/2024 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hansen, “THAT Bylaw 247/2024 the Town of Bentley Tax Rate Bylaw for the 2024 Tax Year, be given first reading this 28th day of May 2024.”

Carried

Motion 120/2024 Moved by Councillor Eastman, “THAT Bylaw 247/2024 the Town of Bentley Tax Rate Bylaw for the 2024 Tax Year, be given second reading this 28th day of May 2024.”

Carried

Motion 121/2024 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, “THAT Bylaw 247/2024 be considered for third and final reading this 28th day of May 2024.”

Carried Unanimously

Motion 122/2024 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT Bylaw 247/2024 be given a third and final reading this 28th day of May 2024.”

Carried Unanimously



c) Bylaw 248/2024 Supplementary Assessment of Manufactured Homes for the 2024 calendar year.

Motion 123/2024 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT Bylaw 248/2024 be amended to ensure that all reference to Manufactured Homes in the bylaw is changed to manufactured homes, as there was some discrepancy in naming such as calling them mobile homes at the bottom footer line of the bylaw."

Carried

Motion 124/2024 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hansen, "THAT Bylaw 248/2024 as amended, the supplementary assessment of Manufactured Homes for the 2024 calendar year, be given first reading this 28th day of May 2024."

It should be noted that Councillor Grimsdale requested a friendly amendment that the reference to manufactured homes be consistent throughout the bylaw. As there was a reference to mobile homes in the bylaw title line at the bottom footer line of the bylaw. Councillor Grimsdale requested that all reference be referred to as manufactured home for consistency. This friendly amendment was agreed to by Deputy Mayor Hansen."

Carried

Motion 125/2024 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT Bylaw 248/2024 as amended, the supplementary assessment of Manufactured Homes for the 2024 calendar year, be given second reading this 28th day of May 2024."

Carried

Motion 126/2024 Moved by Councillor Eastman, "THAT Bylaw 248/2024 as amended be considered for third and final reading this 28th day of May 2024."

Carried Unanimously

Motion 127/2024 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT Bylaw 248/2024 as amended be given a third and final reading this 28th day of May 2024."

Carried Unanimously

Correspondence

a) Lacombe County Council Highlights May 9, 2024

Motion 128/2024 Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT correspondence item a be accepted as information."

Carried



Other Business

a) IDP/ICF Update

Mayor Rathjen provided an update regarding the recent IDP/ICF committee meeting that recommended that the respective councils of both The Town of Bentley and Lacombe County proceed to take the Annexation Report and Application to a public meeting for approval. Once this has been completed and if approval is received, the formal annexation application for The Bentley Southeast Area Structure Plan will be submitted to the Province of Alberta to the LPRT (Land and Property Rights Tribunal).

b) Water Handheld Replacement

Deputy Mayor Hansen requested an update on where the replacement of the handheld (used for reading metered water and billing). CAO Marc Fortais advised council that we had just received the handheld and reads were being finalized after the required training was undertaken. He also indicated that is why metered water billings were late for this one.

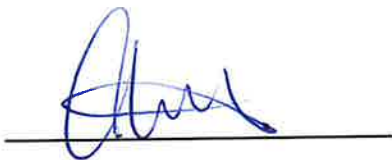
c) Campground Bylaw – 2-week restriction

Deputy Mayor Hansen inquired if there was a way to amend the Campground Bylaw to look loosening the restrictions for a 2-week maximum. Patrons of the campground cannot stay longer than 2 weeks. It was indicated, that since we have a housing shortage, maybe, there was a way to designate certain campsites as longer-term stay. She asked if this bylaw could be reviewed at a future date. CAO Marc Fortais replied to it will be added to the list of priorities, and once we complete current priorities, it will be looked at.

No formal motions were made for Other Business

Adjournment

Mayor Rathjen adjourned the May 28, 2024, Regular Council Meeting at 8:44pm



Mayor Greg Rathjen



CAO Marc Fortais