



**Minutes of the Regular of the Council of the Town of Bentley  
August 27, 2024**

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**Date and Place** Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in the Bentley Municipal Office

**In Attendance** Mayor Greg Rathjen  
Deputy Mayor Eastman  
Councillor Valiquette  
Councillor Hansen  
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 157/2024** Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT the agenda of the August 27, 2024, regular meeting be accepted."

**Carried**

**Previous Minutes**

**Motion 158/2024** Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the minutes of the July 9, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted."

**Carried**

**Financial**

**a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20240501 to 20240653**

**Motion 159/2024** Moved by Deputy Mayor Eastman "THAT Cheques No. 20240501 to 20240653 be received for information."

**Carried**

**New Business**

**a) Sunset Heights Area Structure Plan Draft**

**Motion 160/2024** Moved by Councillor Hansen, "THAT Mayor and Council accept this update regarding the Sunset Heights Area Structure Plan Draft as information; AND

THAT Administration bring back the finalized plan to Council on September 10, 2024, for consideration of first reading of the Bentley Sunset Heights Area Structure Plan 2024 and the rescinding of the Summersault Area Structure Plan; AND

THAT a Public Hearing be scheduled for September 24, 2024, if first reading is approved on September 10, 2024.

**Carried**

**b) Bentley Sports Field Conceptual Design**

**Motion 161/2024** Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the Bentley Sports Field Conceptual Design be approved; AND

THAT Administration be directed to undertake a survey of the site to identify elevations, quantities of earth to be moved, material quantities for fill and finishing and prepare a formal budget estimate based on potential in-kind support from Lacombe County; AND

THAT Administration submit an RC1 application to Lacombe County for in-kind support; AND

THAT no additional funds from town taxpayers be allocated to the project for capital construction other than the value of land, survey cost and design cost, without further council approval.

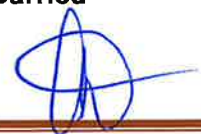
**Carried**

**Correspondence**

- a) Lacombe County Council Highlights July 11, 2024
- b) Good Neighbor Day Poster – September 25 3:30pm to 7:30pm
- c) Hazardous Waste Roundup (LRWSC) – Bentley Transfer Site Oct 5, 2024, 1:00pm to 4:45pm

**Motion 162/2024** Moved by Deputy Mayor Eastman, "THAT correspondence item a to c be accepted as information."

**Carried**



## Other Business

### a) Annexation Update

CAO Marc Fortais provided a verbal update

On August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, administration and representation from Lacombe County, Town of Bentley Mayor and Council, Parkland Community Planning Services (Town of Bentley Planning Representation) and the landowner attended a Land and Property Rights Tribunal (LPRT) Public Hearing.

The hearing was hosted by the LPRT and provides the opportunity for the landowner or any other party to present a case if the Annexation is contested. The only issue with the annexation, as per the property owner, was about length of time for taxation at county rates as opposed to town rates, if the property remains as agricultural uses.

The property owner provided their concerns and the LPRT asked clarification questions from the Town of Bentley and our representation.

The decision now rests with the LPRT, who will make a recommendation to the Minister if approved. From there it goes to cabinet for consideration.

The Town of Bentley will wait for a formal decision and notification.

**No Motion was made for this item**

## Council Reports

### a) Mayor Rathjen

- One amendment to mayor Rathjen's report it was MP Blaine Calkins not MLA Nixon regarding tools for schools.

### b) Deputy Mayor Hansen

### c) Councillor Grimsdale

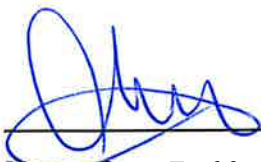
### d) Councillor Eastman

### e) Councillor Valiquette

**Motion 163/2024** Moved by Councillor Valiquette, "THAT the July Council Reports be accepted as information."

## Adjournment

**Mayor Rathjen adjourned the August 27, 2024, Regular Council Meeting at 7:16pm**



Mayor Greg Rathjen



CAO Marc Fortais