



**AGENDA**  
**Bentley Town Council**  
**Tuesday January 14, 2024**  
**6:30pm Regular Meeting of Council**

***Bentley Municipal Emergency Management Advisory Committee Meeting at 6:00pm prior to Council Meeting***

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**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 December 10, 2024**

**5. Financial:**

- a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20240936 to 20250005**

**6. New Business**

- a) Recreation, Culture and Tourism Grant Applications 2025**

**7. Correspondence**

- a) Lacombe County Council Highlights December 12, 2024**

**8. Other Business**

## **9. Council Reports**

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

## **10. Adjournment**



**Minutes of the Regular of the Council of the Town of Bentley  
December 10, 2024**

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**Date and Place** Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in the Bentley Municipal Office

**In Attendance** Mayor Greg Rathjen  
Deputy Mayor Valiquette  
Councillor Eastman  
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 243/2024** Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT the agenda of the December 10, 2024, regular meeting of council be accepted.”

**Carried**

**Previous Minutes**

**Motion 244/2024** Moved by Councillor Hansen, “THAT the minutes of the November 26, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted.”

**Carried**

## Financial

### a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20240914 to 20240935

**Motion 245/2024** Moved by Councillor Eastman, “THAT Cheques No. 20240914 to 20240935 be received for information.”

**Carried**

## New Business

### a) 2025 Preliminary Budget Considerations

**Motion 246/2024** Moved by Deputy Mayor Valiquette “THAT the 2025 preliminary budget for operating and capital budgets be approved.”; AND

THAT the 3-year financial plan including 2025 to 2027 operating years be approved.”; AND

THAT the 5-year capital plan including 2025 to 2029 be accepted as information, subject to further review each year based on the availability of funding to support the implementation of the plan.”

**Carried**

**Motion 247/2024** Moved by Councillor Hansen, “THAT the utility rates proposed and presented be approved as part of the 2024 budget”; AND

THAT administration be instructed to amend the utility bylaw accordingly to reflect the new rates.”

**Carried**

## Correspondence

### a) Lacombe County 2025 Budget Approval Information

**Motion 248/2024** Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT correspondence item a be accepted as information.”

**Carried**

## Other Business

### a) Lacombe County – RC1 Grant Application Bentley Sports Field in-kind support \$360,197.07 update.

CAO Marc Fortais provided an update to let Mayor and Council know that an RC-1 application was in process to the county to apply for an in-kind donation of support of labour and equipment to support the construction of a new soccer field on the easterly side of the Sunset Heights Subdivision. The grant application will be submitted in the new year after Christmas break.

Town administration has been working in collaboration with Lacombe County to align the request with project reporting by Bill Cade the Director of Operations.

**No Motion was made as this was presented only as an update.**

### **Council Reports**

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

**Motion 249/2024** Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, "THAT the council reports for November be accepted as information."

**Carried**

### **Adjournment**

**Mayor Rathjen adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm**

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**Mayor Greg Rathjen**

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**CAO Marc Fortais**



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## Cheque Listing For Council

Cheque #	Cheque Date	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
20240936	2024-12-05	AMSC INSURANCE SERVICES LTD.	HS869202410	HEALTH SPENDING ACTIVITY O	748.42	748.42
20240937	2024-12-05	CENTRAL SHARPENING LTD.	31114 31163	ARENA - SHARPEN ICE KNIFE ARENA - SHARPEN ICE KNIFE	216.30 128.10	344.40
20240938	2024-12-05	GREGG DISTRIBUTORS LP	059-696144 059-697292 059-697293 059-698164 059-699425 059-700300	WATER SUPPLIES & SHOP GENE PPE BOOTS ROADS & STREETS - SANDER B WATER - SIPHON PUMP GARBAGE & SHOP SUPPLIES & I PPE AND SHOP SUPPLIES	40.35 152.24 238.72 58.19 493.85 204.46	1,187.81
20240939	2024-12-05	INNOV8, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC.	IN531723 IN532768	FCSS PHOTOCOPIER OFFICE PHOTOCOPIER AND NEI	13.04 699.31	712.35
20240940	2024-12-05	PARKLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING SERVICES	22471 22473	DAY TO DAY LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW	1,477.50 5,475.00	6,952.50
20240941	2024-12-05	RECEIVER GENERAL	30112024 30112024.	REDUCED EMPLOYMENT INSUR REGULAR EMPLOYMENT INSUR	15,313.36 395.12	15,708.48
20240942	2024-12-05	RIMBEY EXPRESS	3806	WATER SAMPLES & RETURNS F	110.00	110.00
20240943	2024-12-05	THOMPSON, JACK	28112024	REIMBURSEMENT KO-HEN ELEC	105.75	105.75
20240944	2024-12-05	WASTE CONNECTIONS OF CANADA INC.	7425-002996-00	COMMERCIAL WASTE PICK UP F	1,010.85	1,010.85
20240945	2024-12-05	AUTHENTICCITY DESIGN INC.	33003-411	PRELIMINARY & DETAILED DESI	18,047.40	18,047.40
20240946	2024-12-05	MAINROAD ALBERTA CONTRACTING LP	00000051	52 STREET LINE PAINT	737.67	737.67
20240947	2024-12-06	ALSCO UNIFORMS	081985 LEDM239945	ARENA WATER HOG MATS & FIR ARENA WATER HOG MATS & FIR	115.71 123.20	238.91
20240948	2024-12-15	RATHJEN, ARTHUR M				
20240949	2024-12-15	VALIQUETTE, BRENDA C				
20240950	2024-12-15	HANSEN, PAMELA				
20240951	2024-12-15	GRIMSDALE, DALE A				
20240952	2024-12-15	EASTMAN, LENORE M				
20240953	2024-12-11	SERVUS CREDIT UNION	11292024	SERVUS MASTERCARD BIIL FOF	2,579.53	2,579.53
20240954	2024-12-15	CARSON, BARBARA J				
20240955	2024-12-15	JENSEN, DARREN J				
20240956	2024-12-15	GIBSON, COLE C				
20240957	2024-12-15	DENNEHY, NATHAN				
20240958	2024-12-15	GREAVES, LORYANNE				
20240959	2024-12-15	FORTAIS, MARC C				
20240960	2024-12-15	KIKSTRA, ROBERT B				
20240961	2024-12-15	LOOV, CHRISTOPHER D				
20240962	2024-12-16	BENTLEY ESSO	30112024	VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT GAS/DIES	1,124.28	1,124.28
20240963	2024-12-16	HHID	069513	DEM DECEMBER PAYMENT	787.50	787.50
20240964	2024-12-16	SYLVAN LAKE SUMMER HOCKEY CAMP LTD	31122024	ARENA CARETAKER DECEMBER	11,025.00	11,025.00
20240965	2024-12-20	1704567 ALBERTA LTD.	1281	CURLING RINK & ARENA BAIT	132.30	132.30
20240966	2024-12-20	327241 ALBERTA LTD.	1390	NOVEMBER ANIMAL CONTROL S	1,207.50	1,207.50
20240967	2024-12-20	ACCESS GAS SERVICES	202411-AB1878	NATURAL GAS BILL FOR NOVEM	4,278.44	4,278.44
20240968	2024-12-20	AIR LIQUIDE CANADA INC.	78063182	SHOP - CYLINDER BOTTLE REN	351.48	351.48



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2025-Jan-8  
1:45:48PM

Cheque #	Cheque Date	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
20240969	2024-12-20	ALSCO UNIFORMS	LEDM2404596 LEDM2409073	ARENA & OFFICE MATS AND FIR ARENA & OFFICE MATS AND FIR	158.85 156.63	315.48
20240970	2024-12-20	AMSC INSURANCE SERVICES LTD.	HS869202411	HEALTH SPENDING ACTIVITY NC	168.01	168.01
20240971	2024-12-20	CARSON, BARB	12122024 241.31	VISTA PRINT OFFICE SIGNS & XI REIMBURSEMENT SANTA EVEN*	155.37 241.31	396.68
20240972	2024-12-20	CHAPMAN RIEBEEK LLP	2412024	EMPLOYMENT MATTERS - SAND	508.73	508.73
20240973	2024-12-20	D & M CONCRETE PRODUCTS LTD.	17370	TENT ANCHORS	720.00	720.00
20240974	2024-12-20	EMPRINGHAM DISPOSAL CORP.	74748	RECYCLING FOR NOVEMBER	1,937.26	1,937.26
20240975	2024-12-20	FORTAIS, MARC	07122024	REIMBURSEMENT FOR CAO LU*	408.69	408.69
20240976	2024-12-20	G.L.D.C. GAS CO-OP LTD.	714516	BENTLEY FIRE HALL NATURAL G	685.53	685.53
20240977	2024-12-20	GREGG DISTRIBUTORS LP	059-701532 059-702431 059-702432 059-703693 059-703694 059-704580 059-705001 059-705760	SHOP SUPPLIES & BOBCAT BLO ARENA - DISTILLED WATER PARKS & REC AND SHOP SUPPL SHOP WIPER BLADES ADT/TELUS LITHIUM BATTERIES RETURN BOBCAT/SNOWBLOWE SHOP SUPPLIES R/S ICE MELT & SHOP EQUIPMEI	92.31 248.25 108.48 24.68 68.36 (48.63) 35.38 1,449.82	1,978.65
20240978	2024-12-20	INNOV8, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC.	IN537904 IN539084	FCSS PHOTOCOPIER OFFICE PHOTOCOPIER & NEIGH	33.27 796.85	830.12
20240979	2024-12-20	KLES-AIR MECHANICAL	63558 63559	ARENA-SUPPLY & INSTALL DEHL ARENA- SUPPLY & INSTALL VEN	41,737.50 14,175.00	55,912.50
20240980	2024-12-20	LACOMBE COUNTY	IVC00045946	TRAINING & MUNICIPAL FIRE RE	1,826.89	1,826.89
20240981	2024-12-20	LANDRY, BRADY	2024140	PARTS & LABOUR FOR INJECTO	522.06	522.06
20240982	2024-12-20	MCLAREN, HEATHER	217	SENIOR'S PROGRAM FOR NOVE	60.00	60.00
20240983	2024-12-20	NEW WEST TRUCK CENTRES (AB) INC.	X108071369:01	GARBAGE TRUCK FALL MAINTEN	471.20	471.20
20240984	2024-12-20	PARKLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING SERVICES	22499 22500	DAY TO DAY LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW	892.50 165.00	1,057.50
20240985	2024-12-20	PETTY CASH	11122024	BENTLEY DAYS STAFF BREAKFA	75.15	75.15
20240986	2024-12-20	PINZ PLUS	24340	TOWN OF BENTLEY LAPEL PIN F	1,672.12	1,672.12
20240987	2024-12-20	PITNEYWORKS	03122024	POSTAGE	435.00	435.00
20240988	2024-12-20	RATHJEN, GREG	30112024	REIMBURSEMENT MILEAGE FOF	89.60	89.60
20240989	2024-12-20	RED DEER HEATING & REFRIGERATION	2566	FINAL INVOICE INSTALLATION IC	144,935.07	144,935.07
20240990	2024-12-20	TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	04122024 04122024 DEC042024	INTERAC LINE TELUS BILL FOR DECEMBER ARENA WIFI	45.79 461.48 91.04	598.31
20240991	2024-12-20	TELUS MOBILITY INC.	09122024	TELUS MOBILITY BILL FOR DECE	125.41	125.41
20240992	2024-12-20	WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICES	9602	PROGRESS PAYMENT FOR DECI	1,330.88	1,330.88
20240993	2024-12-20	1234975 ALBERTA LTD	20323	R/S FREIGHT ON BUILDING TARI	472.50	472.50
20240994	2024-12-20	ADT SECURITY SERVICES CANADA INC.	34632577	PUMPHOUSE SECURITY DECEM	31.50	31.50
20240995	2024-12-20	MCLAREN, CAROLYN	220	FAMILY PROGRAMMING FOR DE	513.00	513.00
20240996	2024-12-20	MEDICINE LODGE SKI CLUB	20122024	LACOMBE COUNTY OPERATING	25,000.00	25,000.00
20240997	2024-12-20	TRANSALTA ENERGY MARKETING	24-1380457 24-1380478	STREET LIGHTING ELECTRICITY ELECTRICITY BILL FOR NOVEME	6,809.55 12,109.70	18,919.25
20240998	2024-12-20	RITEWAY FENCING (2000) INC.	R143680	SUPPLY & INSTALL CHAIN LINK F	5,936.76	5,936.76
20240999	2024-12-20	RATHJEN, GREG	19122024	REIMBURSE MILEAGE RED DEE	40.60	48.60



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20240999	2024-12-20	RATHJEN, GREG	28112024	PARKING PASS FOR PAMZ MEET	8.00	48.60
20250001	2025-01-03	CANOE PROCUREMENT GROUP OF CANADA, D	AB242908	OFFICE SUPPLIES (INC. YEAREN	513.28	513.28
20250002	2025-01-03	EMPRINGHAM DISPOSAL CORP.	76401	RECYCLING FOR DECEMBER	1,948.28	1,948.28
20250003	2025-01-03	HOLDEN, KARI	31122024	OFFICE JANITORIAL FOR DECEM	150.00	480.00
			31122024.	SENIOR'S DROP IN JANITORIAL I	60.00	
			31DEC2024	BASEMENT JANITORIAL FOR DE	30.00	
			DEC312024	BENTLEY FIREHALL JANITORIAL	240.00	
20250004	2025-01-03	RECEIVER GENERAL	31122024	REGULAR EMPLOYMENT INSUR	642.98	15,256.08
			31122024.	REDUCED EMPLOYMENT INSUR	14,613.10	
20250005	2025-01-04	BENTLEY DISTRICT FIRE DEPARTMENT	DEC312024	REIMBURSEMENT TO FIRE DEPT/	10,947.08	10,947.08

**Total 385,455.38**

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





**Agenda Date:** January 14, 2025

**Agenda Item:** **New Business:  
Annual Recreation, Cultural, Historical, and Tourism Funding Support  
2025 Applications**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT Mayor and Council review applications received and determine funding allocations in accordance with the Annual Recreation, Cultural, and Tourism Funding Support Policy 52/2015

## **SUMMARY**

Each year the Town of Bentley receives applications to the Annual Recreation, Cultural, Historical and Tourism Funding Support Program in accordance with the guidelines outlined in Policy 52/2015 **(Attachment #1)**.

Mayor and Council are required to review and approve the applications based on budget availability and if organizations have submitted the required reporting from any previous year funding as well as meeting other requirements outlined in the Policy.

Administration has prepared this report, including all applications received for the 2025 year and is seeking a decision from Mayor and Council regarding the provision of funding.

## **BACKGROUND**

Policy 52/2015 includes the following policy statement:

“Bentley Town Council is committed to strengthening the quality of life of its residents, fostering civic pride, and building a healthy community. Town Council acknowledges the value of community organizations and volunteers whose time and effort contribute to the strength and pride felt by the Community. Annually, Bentley Town Council will include in the Town of Bentley’s Operating Budget a Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism fund that non-profit community organizations may apply for, in support of their organization’s goals and objectives. The amount of funds allocated to the Recreational, Cultural, Historical, and Tourism Fund will be determined by Bentley Town Council, based on its annual budgetary considerations.”

Pursuant to Policy 52/2015 all applications for the 2025 year must be received by December 31, 2024, and Mayor and Council will review and consider applications by January 31, 2025.

Also, any organization that was provided funding support for the 2024 year, pursuant to the policy, shall be accountable for the expenditure of funds provided and shall submit a financial report to the

Town of Bentley on or before December 31, 2024. Any such applicant that received funds in 2024 has provided the required report, or has requested an extension of funds if they have been unspent in accordance with the attached summary (**Attachment #2**)

For 2025 the amount budgeted and approved by council for allocation is \$50,000. There are no additional grant amounts from 2024 funding that have not been spent, accounted for or have requested a formal extension to be spent in 2025. There are two carry-forward requests from the following organizations:

- 1.) **Medicine Lodge Ski Club – Funding of \$8,081 provided in 2024.** The club will utilize the 2024 funds provided to help fund the samson T-bar revitalization. Town of Bentley funds were utilized to leverage an additional grant request that was approved through the Active Communities Grant and additional grant funding from Lacombe County. The project will see more than \$428,000 worth of improvements to the Samson T-bar in 2025. Therefore, administration felt that allowing the club to utilize the 2024 grant funds to obtain a large amount of additional grant funding was a worthwhile exercise. It is also administrations recommendation to consider their additional 2025 ask, even though their 2024 portion will not be spent until 2025. The club is working hard to make major improvements at the hill and the funding we provide is helping them to catch up on much needed work that needs to be done at the hill.
  
- 2.) **Bentley Community Hall – Funding of \$20,000 provided in 2024.** The Bentley Community Hall Society will utilize the funds provided in 2024 for their major front stair replacement. The building is designated a municipal historic resource by the Town of Bentley and the cost for the stair replacement is significant due to the fact that this is a historical building. The Community Hall Society has been actively fund raising to generate the needed \$85,575 to undertake the replacement of the front stairs. The hall is also applying for a 50% matching grant to the Province under historic resources grant. The hall is also looking for an additional contingency fund amount of \$18,500, in 2025 through a 2025 application for grant. This amount will only be used if there is damage to the existing stone wall through the construction process. This will only be in the event of an emergency if there is additional damages or issues when construction begins. The funds may not be spent at all, and the Town of Bentley would hold those funds in trust, unless they are needed.

The following applications for consideration of 2025 funding (**Attachment #3**) have been received and meet all the guidelines of the policy and are presented for Council’s consideration:

Medicine Lodge Ski Club	Retrofit and/or acquire snowmobiles for hill operations	\$10,000.00
Bentley Museum Society	Funding for part time summer student	\$ 3,000.00
Bentley Library Society	2025 Petting Zoo	\$ 1,600.00
Bentley Municipal Library	2025 Mini Libraries Program	\$ 1,850.00
Bentley Community Van	Operational Support Funding	\$ 2,000.00
Bentley Minor Ball	equipment, jerseys, and catchers gear	\$ 5,000.00
Bentley Show N Shine	trophies, movie night, posters, and advertising	\$ 2,500.00
Bentley Community Hall	Additional contingency funding so support stair project	\$18,500.00
Bentley Minor Soccer	Jerseys, balls, pinnies, nets	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
<b>Total Grant Funds Requested</b>		<b>\$49,450.00</b>

Please note that the following organizations also have cash balances or reserves that may be able to be utilized to fund projects:

Medicine Lodge Ski Club	<b>Waiting for amount.</b> But my understanding is this is committed to funding the T-bar project and other operational costs and to also keep a buffer for any season that may not have sufficient snow for operations.
Bentley Museum Society	Cash Balance \$56,084 plus \$494.45 used for general operations until casino's can be held.
Bentley Municipal Library	Cash Balance of \$30,921 is utilized at the beginning of the year until they receive their grants, buffer for cross year operations until funding is received.
Bentley Community Van Society	Cash Balance Casino Account \$18,850.54 (savings for equipment replacement only happens every 3 years – van is 2008 will need replacement in the future), Cash Balance regular account \$18,867.35 – this is for general operations.
Bentley Minor Ball	Cash Balance of \$10,067 is used for general operations (need to pay fees to baseball and softball Alberta, so that they can be paid in advance of registration. Equipment replacement, Tournament Fees in advance of registration)
Bentley Show N Shine	Cash Balance of \$5,000 will be used for 2025 operations.
Bentley Community Hall	Cash Balance of \$15,000, however, will be used on stair replacement. GIC of \$5,577.11 to be used on stair replacement.
Bentley Minor Soccer	Cash Balance of \$19,235 however indoor invoices to come out of this and rental fees (amount is for general operations)

Town administration is requesting Mayor and Council to provide guidance regarding funding allocations for 2025.

## BUDGET AND FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Total Grant Funds Requested	\$49,450.00
Total Approved 2025 Budget	<u>(\$50,000.00)</u>
<b>Difference (surplus in budget)</b>	<b>\$ 550.00</b>

## ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Policy 52/2015 - Annual Recreation, Cultural, Historical and Tourism Funding Support Program
- 2) 2025 & 2024 Grant Funding Summary
- 3) 2025 Grant Applications – Annual Recreation, Cultural, Historical and Tourism Funding Support

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Marc Fortais, CAO



## Policy No. 52 / 2015

**Policy Title:** Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support

**Date Adopted:** September 8, 2015

**Date Revised:** October 10, 2023

**Purpose:** To establish guidelines and procedures for financial support for community non-profit groups whose focus is recreational, cultural, historical, tourism services, programs, events, activities, and facilities.

**Policy Statement:**

Bentley Town Council is committed to strengthening the quality of life of its residents, fostering civic pride and building a healthy community. Town Council acknowledges the value of community organizations and volunteers whose time and effort contribute to the strength and pride felt by the Community.

Annually, Bentley Town Council will include in the Town of Bentley's Operating Budget a Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Fund that non-profit community organizations may apply for, in support of their organizations goals and objectives. The amount of funds allocated to the Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Fund will be determined by Bentley Town Council, based on its annual budgetary considerations.

**Policy Guidelines**

**& Procedures:** **A. Eligibility Criteria:**

1. Non-profit community organizations that offer programs, events, activities, or facility operations that benefit the citizens of the Town of Bentley through the strengthening of the quality of life, fostering of civic pride and the building of a healthy community by using recreational, cultural, historical, tourism pursuits to achieve their goals.
2. ***The organization has a demonstrated financial need and does not have a significant amount of cash or reserves that could be used to fund the request.***

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## B. Application Procedure:

1. Annually, no later than December 31, non-profit community organizations must submit to the Town of Bentley, their funding application for the following year on the Application Form, identified as "Schedule A".
2. Bentley Town Council will review and consider the applications by January 31 of each year.
3. Bentley Town Council shall be the deciding body on all applications.
4. Applicants will be notified by March 1 of each year of the status of their application.
5. Non-profits organizations may only apply for support of one program, event or activity per year.
6. The Town will advance its financial support upon approval of the application.
7. ***Town of Bentley reserves the right to ask organizations that are applying for any additional clarification regarding financials including disclosure of reserves or cash balances in the bank.***

## C. Assessment Criteria:

Applications will be assessed using the following criteria;

1. The application must meet the eligibility criteria
2. The application must demonstrate a need for financial support from the Town ***(not carrying reserves or high cash balances in their bank)***
3. The application must set out clear and credible goals and objectives of the proposal that reflect the purpose of this policy.
4. The application must demonstrate the outcome of the proposal will be of direct benefit to the community in accordance with the purpose of this policy.
5. The application must demonstrate the stability of the non-profit group or organization.
6. Preference may be given to applicants that can demonstrate a clear alignment to the strategic objectives identified by Mayor and Council through the Town of Bentley Strategic Plan.

#### **D. Accountability of Funds**

1. Organizations that are provided financial support pursuant to this policy shall be accountable for the expenditure of the funds provided and shall submit a financial report to the Town of Bentley on or before December 31 in the year the funding was provided.
2. The entire amount of financial support provided must be used exclusively for the program, event, or activity identified in the application.
3. The program, event or activity must be conducted in the year in which the support was requested for.
4. If the organization is unable to conduct the program, event, or activity in the year in which they have requested funds, a written letter of request for an extension must be submitted. If an extension request is not received or if an extension is not granted, the organization shall return the funds provided by the Town.
5. Organizations receiving support pursuant to this policy must repay the Town any unexpended portion of the funds provided, or any amounts expended for purposes other than those specified in the application.
6. The Town's support must be recognized during the program, event or activity.
7. If the Organization does not comply with the requirements of Clauses D-1 to D-6 of this policy, future financial support from the Town of Bentley, pursuant to this policy, will not be considered.
8. Programs, events and activities receiving support pursuant to this policy must be conducted in accordance with all applicable laws, statutes and regulations.

#### **E. General**

1. Town Council may, at its discretion, provide grants to non-profit organizations under special circumstances in addition to the annual budgeted funds for this policy and may approve other conditions regulating the expenditure of grant funds.

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Chief Administrative Officer

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Mayor

**Schedule A  
Town of Bentley  
Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support  
Application Form**

Name of the Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Cel Number: \_\_\_\_\_ email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Funding Request: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.

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If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

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**Acceptance:** If approved, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name) hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Representative: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Town of Bentley

Annual Recreation, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding  
2025 Grant Funding - Request Summary

Organization Name	Grant Description	2025 Grant Request Received as of December 31 2024	Requested Grant Amount	Comments	Prior Year Grant Given 2024	Amt of Prior Year Grant or Carryforward into last year	Prior Year Funding Spent & Reporting Received	Cash Balance or Reserve	Carry Forward Request to 2025 Received
Medicine Lodge Ski Club*	MLSC is requesting funding to support upgrades to fleet of snowmobiles used in ski hill operations and maintenance for the 2025 year - this will refurbish existing machines and or purchase new or used machines	Yes	\$ 10,000.00	2024 funding has not been spent as it was repurposed to assist with major lift upgrades for the samson t-bar. That funding was leveraged to successfully apply for the Active Communities Grant and a Lacombe County Grant that will see more than \$428,000 in upgrades to the hill. Although the funds were not spent in 2024 they will be spent in 2025 now that there additional grants are approved, in alignment with the other grant funds to do the major T-Bar overhaul. The club is also asking for 2025 funding to support maintenance and the purchase of snowmobiles for hill operations.	Y	\$ 8,081.00	N	Y - Waiting for amount	Y
Bentley Museum Society	Tourism Information Centre Costs	Yes	\$ 3,000.00	funding for second part time student	Y	\$ 3,718.00	Y	Y - June 30, 2024 - \$56,083.99 general account and \$494.45 in Casino account	N
Bentley Library Society	2025 Petting Zoo	Yes	\$ 1,600.00	To run the 2025 Petting Zoo during Annual Bentley Fair and Rodeo	Y	\$ 1,500.00	Y	N	N
Bentley Municipal Library	2025 Mini Libraries	Yes	\$ 1,850.00	To run the 2025 Mini Libraries Program	Y	\$ 1,750.00	Y	Y - Cash Balance \$30,921 used for operations in the beginning of the year until the library receives grants	N
Bentley Community Van Society	Operational Support help for Fuel, Maintenance, repair and inspections	Yes	\$ 2,000.00	Community Van Society is requesting \$2,000 to help offset the costs of running the community van	Y	\$ 2,000.00	Y	Y - \$18,850.54 Casino Account for Equipment replacement and \$18,867.35 regular account for general operations	N
Bentley Minor Ball	Equipment, Jerseys, Catchers Gloves and Catchers protective gear	Yes	\$ 5,000.00	Need new updated equipment to improve safety of catchers and help with jerseys - looking for half the cost as minor ball will cover remainder	Y	\$ 5,000.00	Y	Y - funded backstop upgrades through parks budget	Y have \$10,067 cash balance
Bentley Show N Shine Cruizin West	Funding to support Car Show - including upgrading movie night equipment, trophies for car show, apparel for sale at car show with proceeds donated to Santa Sleigh Ride put on by Town, general costs - posters, flyers, advertising	Yes	\$ 2,500.00	Car show attracts a large volume of people to the community who also support the rodeo and local business community	Y	\$ 2,500.00	Y	Y - \$5,000 for operations and events of the club	N
Bentley Community Hall	Funding to support Stair Replacement	Yes	\$ 18,500.00	Total Project budget is \$85,575 (submitting grant application for 50% funding or \$42,787.50 to Historic Resources Grant, remaining 50% to be funded \$20,000 town, \$15,143.89 community hall fundraising and GIC from Hall \$5,577.11, funding request to Sylvan Lake and District Lions for \$2,500 has also been made. This brings the total fundraising to \$43,221. The hall is looking for additional contingency funding from the Town of \$18,500 (as the stone mason has asked for an additional \$8,500 to repair the existing stone wall and engineer has requested \$10,000 for catastrophic damage contingency for construction) - this is only in the event that there is additional issues when construction starts and may not be spent - they will only require funding if something happens - we will hold the funds unless it needs to be disbursed (will be like a reserve in case there are issues)	Y	\$ 20,000.00	N - project will be moving forward in 2025	Y \$15,000 to be used on project plus GIC of \$5,577.11 this will deplete funds	Y
Bentley Minor Soccer	Jersey's, frames for nets, balls	Yes	\$ 5,000.00	The grant is being requested to help offset costs of more than 144 kids for soccer	Y	\$ 5,000.00	Y	Y - \$19,235 however indoor invoices to come out of that and rental fees (amount is for general operations)	N
Bentley Minor Hockey	Will not be applying in 2025 confirmed	No	\$ -	\$8,000 was provided in 2022 with the original request being \$16,000 - the funds have been spent with approximately \$48,820.46 being spent to date on the renovation. Minor Hockey is asking for a grant of \$19,650 to complete the bathroom renovation and internet upgrade for live barn streaming	Y	\$ 19,650.00	Y		N
Bentley Rodeo Committee	Will not be applying in 2025 confirmed	No	\$ -	High point cowboy/cowgirl at the concluding of rodeo wins a trophy saddle sponsored by the Town	Y	\$ 2,000.00	Y	N	N
Bentley Curling Club	No Grant applied for in 2025 - did not receive an application	No	\$ -	The grant is being requested to upgrade the POS system to Square Up and to replace the Beverage Cooler	Y	\$ 5,000.00	Y		Yes
<b>Revised Grant Total</b>			<b>\$ 49,450.00</b>						
<b>Budget Available to Fund Grants in 2024 (Shorfall)/Surplus Funds Available</b>			<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>						
			<b>\$ 550.00</b>	<b>surplus</b>					

Schedule A  
Town of Bentley

Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support  
Application Form

Name of the Organization: Medicine Lodge Ski Club (MLSC)

Mailing Address: PO Box 1104, Bentley AB, T0C 0J0

Contact Person: Greg Chernoff (President)

Phone/Cel Number: 403-478-0375 email address: bowl\_roller@yahoo.ca

Amount of Funding Request: \$ 10,000

Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.

MLSC is requesting funding to support necessary upgrades to our fleet of snowmobiles, used in Ski Hill operations and maintenance. If successful, we would use Town of Bentley RCHT funding to refurbish machines we already own, and/or purchase used or new machines.

How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?

The importance of Medicine Lodge Ski Hill (MLSH) to quality of life, sense of community pride, and overall community health - as well as local & regional economic development - is well documented and widely accepted. Upgrading our maintenance fleet will allow us to run the Ski Hill more reliably and efficiently, which in turn will allow us to better →

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promote the above mentioned values in the community we serve.

Please summarize how your project aligns with the strategic priorities of Mayor and Council as identified through the Bentley Community Strategic Plan April 2019.

Our proposed upgrades - and our efforts more broadly - align closest with Strategic Plan Goal 4: Enriched / United Community. Specifically, MLSC actively promotes the anticipated outcome of "A safe, sustainable, and holistic community where people can live, work, and recreate." We also promote Goals 3 (Economic Development - through increasing the draw to Bentley as a tourism & recreation attraction) and 4 (Organizational Success - fostering an engaged, healthy & caring community).

Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.

our plan for maintenance fleet upgrades is as follows:

- ① Internally and consulting experts, determine our needs (type & number of machines)
- ② Determine whether any of existing fleet are suitable. If yes, repair; if no, sell or scrap.
- ③ Contact dealers, enquire about suitable machines (used or new), potential discounts/donations.
- ④ If used machines are purchased - have them professionally inspected/serviced.

Since this plan involves conditions/decisions at each step, we can't present an accurate budget at this time. However, regardless of the chosen path of considering a minimum requirement for 3 serviceable machines, we are confident that the total cost of upgrades will exceed the \$10,000 we are requesting.

Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity

If MLSC receives approval on March 1, we should be able to act on some or all of the above plan during this ski season. We certainly intend to have our upgraded snowmobile fleet in place before the start of the 2025/26 ski season.

**Does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves that could be used to fund the project (please explain below and if so, please provide amounts)?**

No. MLSC has recently enjoyed some fundraising success, which would be reflected in our Club's bank statement. However, all incoming funds are committed to other →


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strategic priorities. Town of Bentley funding would relieve pressure on speculative revenues, and allow us to focus those potential funds on other objectives.

If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

Yes. MLSC has a proven track record of taking what comes, and working with what we have. In keeping with this tradition, our planned snowmobile fleet upgrade is scalable. If we receive less funding than requested, we will try to make up the shortfall via other sources, and/or tailor our decisions at each step of the above plan accordingly, commensurate with available resources.

**Acceptance:** If approved, ~~MLSC~~ Medicine Lodge Ski Club (print name) hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: 28 December 2024 Representative: Greg Chernoff (President)  




## Bentley Museum Society

P.O. Box 620, Bentley, AB. T0C 0J0  
e-mail [bentleymuseum@shaw.ca](mailto:bentleymuseum@shaw.ca)

November 24, 2024

Town of Bentley,

Box 179, Bentley, Ab.

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Attention: Mayor, Council, and Marc Fortais CAO


Please find enclosed Bentley Museum Society grant application for Recreational, Cultural, and Historical Tourism. This grant will enable the Bentley Museum to employ a second part time summer student.

The previous years funds we received from this grant were used entirely for our second student's wages. This grant funding enables us to remain open seven days per week. We are requesting a lesser amount than last year, as we are prepared to fund the difference from our own resources.

Although our financial statement perhaps goes against your policy of an organization having a significant reserve, we believe we may be an anomaly. We as a board are responsible for the repair, maintenance and operation of our 3 Museum buildings. While can handle the day to day expenses, we deem it pertinent to maintain a reserve amount to facilitate any unforeseen large expenses that may occur at any time. We prefer to have our own resources available in such case, instead of having to scramble for funding after the fact.

Thank you for considering our application. If any further information is required, please contact us.  
Yours Truly,

Rick Park  
Board Chairperson

  
Bentley Museum Society

403-304-0353 [rdpark@telusplanet.net](mailto:rdpark@telusplanet.net)

[bentleymuseum@shaw.ca](mailto:bentleymuseum@shaw.ca)

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Chief Administrative Officer

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Mayor

**Schedule A  
Town of Bentley**

**Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support  
Application Form**

Name of the Organization: Bentley Museum Society

Mailing Address: Box 620, Bentley, AB T0C 0J0

Contact Person: Rick Park

Phone/Cel Number: 403-304-0353 email address: rdpark@telusplanet.net  
bentleymuseum@shaw.ca

Amount of Funding Request: \$ 3,000<sup>00</sup>

Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.

The Bentley Museum is requesting funding for a second part time summer student. This student is required to help with the operation of the Tourist Information Centre, as well as help where needed in the daily operation of the Museum. As we are now open 7 days per week, a second student is required as well, with 3 buildings to clean and maintain, 2 workers is optimal. We have applied to Canada Summer Student Jobs for the full time position. As we are requesting less from the Town this year, we will make up the difference with money raised from our own programs.

How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?

- We host several Open Houses throughout the year that provide an opportunity for residents to meet and mingle in a social setting.

- We provide our facility to the Schools to host learning and activity related outings.

- We maintain our grounds and buildings to the highest level to maybe inspire others to do the same.

-We are one of the few facilities in Town, open 7 days a week (10:00-5:00) to make it easier to plan a visit to the Museum, no matter your work schedule.

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Please summarize how your project aligns with the strategic priorities of Mayor and Council as identified through the Bentley Community Strategic Plan April 2019.

- Effective communication & engagement: We strive to work with the Town in promoting our Town and its functions. Our website & Facebook pages reach literally thousands of people per year.
- Financial stability: The Town funding of one of our employees, allows us to use our own resources for day to day operational and expansion purposes, while allowing us to maintain a reserve bank balance for the unforeseen.
- Economic Growth: By engaging visitors on a daily basis, we can showcase all that Bentley has to offer, maybe inspiring some to see Bentley as a future home or business location.
- Organizational Success: We provide a location for others to use as a teaching resource or a meeting place. This fosters co-operation with other community groups on an ongoing basis.

Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.

The Museum intends to hire a second part time summer student, to allow us to operate the Museum and Tourist Information Centre 7 days a week. It will be minimum wage (\$15.00/hr) x 220 hours plus holiday pay and employers EI = \$3718.00. We ask that the Town could please pick up a portion of this amount. We humbly suggest \$3000.00. We will fund the remainder from our own resources.

Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity

Employment starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 running until August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

**Does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves that could be used to fund the project (please explain below and if so, please provide amounts)?**

We do carry a reserve amount that we could use, if absolutely necessary. We prefer to keep our reserve at its' present level, as to be available for any unforeseen expenses in the operation of our 3 Museum buildings.



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If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

We are willing to fund a portion of this expense if needed. If required  
to pay the total cost, we would have to seriously consider reducing  
the operating hours of the Museum.

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**Acceptance:** If approved, Rick Park (print name) hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: Nov 29, 2024 Representative:   
Board Chairman

**Schedule A  
Town of Bentley**

**Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support  
Application Form**

Name of the Organization: Bentley Library Society

Mailing Address: PO Box 361, Bentley, AB T0C 0S0

Contact Person: Stephene Smith

Phone/Cel Number: 403-896-9842 email address: rcwtaills@gmail.com

Amount of Funding Request: \$ 1600.00

Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.

The Bentley Library Society is making this request for the 2025 Petting Zoo that we would like to hold during the 2025 annual Bentley Fair and Rodeo. This is the only family fun event that is occurring during the fair and rodeo.

How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?

This event promotes our community and encourages people to come and attend our event. In 2024, for the 2 hours that the petting zone ran, there was 404 people that attended the petting zone. It also promotes family quality time.

Please summarize how your project aligns with the strategic priorities of Mayor and Council as identified through the Bentley Community Strategic Plan April 2019.

Bentley library encourages participation in this youth-focused Petting Zoo event.

Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.

Butterfield Acres Farm- 2hrs	\$ 1432.73
Hand washes station	\$ 144.08
	<u>\$ 1576.81</u>

Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity

August 9, 2025 for 2 hours  
Most likely will be the same hours as 2024  
from 11am - 1pm.

**Does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves that could be used to fund the project (please explain below and if so, please provide amounts)?**

We do not carry balance for funding this project.

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If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

If full funding is not approved, we would have to re-evaluate. In order to run this program with partial funding, funding from other programs would need to be used.

**Acceptance:** If approved, Stephanie Smith (print name) hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: December 1, 2024 Representative: 

## Marc Fortais TOB

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**From:** Stephanie Smith <rcwtails@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** January 9, 2025 10:58 AM  
**To:** Marc Fortais TOB  
**Subject:** Re: Bentley Library Society - Rec, culture and tourism grant application

Marc

No Library Society does not carry any reserves. We have our general account that has a minimal balance. We have our casino account but we have tried to access casino funds for the petting zoo but AGLC has denied our request. It does not fall under the parameters of the library programming.

Hope this helps. Let me know if there is any other information that you need.

Stephanie

On Jan 9, 2025, at 10:38 AM, Marc Fortais TOB <mfortais@townofbentley.ca> wrote:

Hi Stephanie,

I am preparing the council agenda for the rec and culture grants, and I have your application.

I noticed where we asked the question regarding cash balances, your response was:

We do not carry balance for funding this project

The question is does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves – it does not matter if they are specifically for this project – what Mayor and Council need to know – is what balances do organizations have in cash or reserves in general if they are asking for financial support from the Town. This may not affect your eligibility, but in the event that they have multiple requests from organizations and limited funds to meet all the requests, it may factor in for them to prioritize organizations that have more need than others for funding.

So, I guess I just need some clarification if you guys carry any cash balance or reserves for the Bentley Library Society in general.

Sincerely,

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**Marc Fortais**  
**Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)**

P. 403-748-4044 C. 825-439-2464

[MFortais@TownofBentley.ca](mailto:MFortais@TownofBentley.ca)

**TownofBentley.ca**  
Box 179, Bentley AB T0C 0J0

**Town of Bentley**  
**Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support**  
**Application**  
**2025**

**Name of the Organization:** *Bentley Municipal Library*  
**Mailing Address:** *Box 361, Bentley AB, T0C 0J0*  
**Contact Person:** *Vera Boettger (Manager) and/or Joan Dickau (Chair of the Board)*  
**Phone/Cell Number:** *403-748-4626 (library) 403-391-9129 (Vera's cell)*  
**Email Address:** *bentleylibrary@prl.ab.ca*  
**Amount of Funding Requested:** *\$1850*

**Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.**

*Bentley Library currently provides "mini-libraries" to five summer villages, campgrounds and resorts in the Bentley area. Birch Bay, Sandy Point North and South, Aspen Beach, as well as Lakeview Campground. We always keep an ear open to add more where they are wanted. The "mini-libraries" are created from old newspaper boxes generously donated from area newspapers and filled with a variety of adult, junior and children's books, magazines and more from donated and discarded items. The products are available for free for people to take, return if they wish, or replace with something different. To keep it fresh and interesting Bentley Library staff routinely switch out the materials in the boxes, which makes sure if there is any vandalism or mess it is found shortly and cleaned up.*

*Bentley Library's "mini-library" program is the brain child of long-time staff member Vera Boettger. Her vision was to provide reading material for families where and while they are visiting, to support literacy in our small summer communities, and to help create awareness of our library and community businesses and programs. In 2017 Bentley Library started the "mini-libraries" program with boxes at Summerland RV Park and the community of Birch Bay and expanded in 2018 with two additional boxes at Aspen Beach and Lakeview Campground. In 2019 Sandy Point North was added. In 2023 the mini libraries expanded with permission into Sandy Point South, the gated community.*

*The total items taken from "mini-libraries" in 2024 was **1116** that were taken home! plus approximately **190** patron added items!*

***58** hours were spent running this program from May to September with a total of **860** kilometers being travelled this year.*

*The Bentley Municipal Library would like to continue running our "mini-libraries" program for an eighth year in 2025, but without additional funding for staff hours and mileage, this may not be possible.*

**How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?**

*Benefits of our "mini-libraries":*

*1. Supporting Literacy: "mini-libraries" improve literacy access and availability to those who are not making a trip to a library on a particular day. They make it possible for adults, children and families to share literacy at times and in places that are convenient to them.*

*2. Demonstrating a Reading Lifestyle: Our "mini-libraries" are filled with collections for all ages on a variety of subjects that will attract all types of patrons from the summer villages that surround our community. Participation by a range of users, from little kids to seniors, shows the value that our community places on literacy and encourages good reading habits.*

3. *Community Awareness: Our “mini-libraries have been a great way to engage with people in the summer villages about what is happening at the library as well as in the Town of Bentley.*

4. *Promotion of our Community: We are always looking for new places and ways to promote the Library and Community of Bentley businesses. Having a yearly updated town map installed on all of our “mini-libraries” with all of the businesses found in town with their current phone numbers, etc. helps so that campers or visitors may find what they may need locally.*

**Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.**

<i>2024 Mini Libraries Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Wages (Including salary and benefits)</i>	<i>\$1193.05</i>
<i>Mileage</i>	<i>\$541.80</i>
<i>Materials, plexiglass, screws, wood, guest books, lamination, printing</i>	<i>\$15.15</i>
<i>“Mini-libraries total</i>	<i>\$1750.00</i>

**Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity.**

<i>Begin/continue collection of materials (books, magazines)</i>	<i>Throughout the year</i>
<i>Get materials organized</i>	<i>April-May 2025</i>
<i>Ensure site approval for 2025</i>	<i>April 2025</i>
<i>Placement of all boxes</i>	<i>May 2025</i>
<i>Replenish all sites weekly</i>	<i>May-September 2025</i>
<i>Collect all boxes</i>	<i>September 2025</i>
<i>Perform cleaning and maintenance on all boxes</i>	<i>September-October 2025</i>
<i>Arrange indoor storage for boxes</i>	<i>October 2025</i>

**If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above.**

**If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.**

*We currently would have to ask the Library Society to fund this project if the funding isn't approved from the Town, however this would take away from desperately needed community programming funds.*

**Acceptance: If approved, Vera Boettger hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.**



**Date:** November 5, 2024

**Representative:** Vera Boettger



Jun 15/24 - Melinda E Connor  
From Airdrie

We come here every year & love  
the little library. When Connor was  
a baby we borrowed, read for bed  
& returned. Then we would bring  
one to swap. Now we have a  
rampar library of mini McDonalds  
books but always come to borrow  
& return new ones. This trip we  
read (He read, he's reading now at 6!)  
"What Am I" by Linda Granfield.

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Crossfield, AB

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Birch Bay

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**Policy No 52 / 2015 Annual Recreation, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support Page 1**

**Policy No. 52 / 2015**

**Policy Title: Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support**

**Date Adopted: September 8, 2015**

**Date Revised: October 10, 2023**

**Purpose: To establish guidelines and procedures for financial support for community**

**non-profit groups whose focus is recreational, cultural, historical, tourism.**

**services, programs, events, activities, and facilities.**

**Schedule A Town of Bentley**

**Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support**

**Application Form**

**Name of the Organization:** Bentley Community Van Society

**Mailing Address:** Box 988 Bentley Alberta

**Contact Person:** Jennifer Goddu Treasurer, Karen MacAulay

**Phone/Cel Number:** 403-506-2696 **email address:** jgoddu@shaw.ca

**Amount of Funding Request:** \$2000

**Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application.**

The Community Van is operated by Volunteer Drivers to help provide a service to our community not available for our residents otherwise. All Community People are encouraged to use the van when trips are offered. With Casino funding we are not allowed to charge for this service. People can join in monthly trips to Red Deer and Sylvan Lake to purchase products not available in Bentley. Trips are planned for seniors for social happenings, meal drama plays, tourist and local events like, Lights, Gardens, or places like Ellis Bird Farm. The Van is used for School sports teams. Youth groups or clubs use the van to attend other events. When the store is open, we offer downtown shopping and mail pick up for seniors and those without transportation. The Van has been available for Care Center outings. At the discretion of the board, other opportunities have been approved for Bentley area residents. Wherever we go, people see the Town of Bentley Signs on the Van. The Van is equipped for Handy cap people and wheelchairs.

**How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested?**

strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride, and help to build a healthy community?

The funding will help us in Fuel, Maintenance, and the ability to offer these services to our community. This past year we had to do \$2550 + 450 in Maintenance, repair, and inspection. Detailing \$422.82 Town of Bentley \$2,632 plus \$3,000 Insurance

Having people join traveling to events has allowed people to get to know others in our community and area. We are happy that this is a positive addition for people who are not able to see other areas and assisting them in a safe way to get out of their home isolation.

The Van helps new people in our community see one of the values of living in Bentley and our area.

Please summarize how your project aligns with the strategic priorities of Mayor and Council as identified through the Bentley Community Strategic Plan April 2019.

We feel our society is enhancing our ability to work together, offering the area opportunities, and creating interest for people to move into our community. We are also enabling people to remain living in the town that has been their home for most of their lives. We feel our service is a positive addition promoting and building our community for our future.

Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.

**Expenditures for 2024 paid by Van Society**

<b>*Insurance</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>*Government Inspections, Vehicle</b>	
<b>Services &amp; repairs</b>	<b>\$4550.00</b>
<b>*Garage Rental</b>	<b>\$1050.00</b>
<b>*Booking Management, Honorarium,</b>	
<b>*Town of Bentley</b>	<b>\$2,632.68</b>
<b>Service, Maintenance cleaning</b>	<b>\$2400.00</b>
<b>*Phone</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
<b>*Fuel</b>	<b>\$1500.00</b>

Our Van Society was established years ago by our town, area people and groups donations so our Van can offer services to our community. Every so many years our Van board and volunteers go to serve the Casino in Red Deer for a weekend. For this service we receive a donation in the following year to assist our regular expenses till we qualify for the next casino years later. This assists us along with rider donations to finance the service offered to our community. Through the past few years, we have had to wait for this Casino opportunity. Recently after covid delays, we were able to put in our turn and now we will wait till they figure out what they will grant us. With the delays we have used up all our funds including what we received from the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historic, Tourism Funding Support from last year. With an unexpected repair and maintenance requirement, we have had to withdraw from our [emergency vehicle reserve] to cover the costs of this work. We keep the Van in top shape, and it is required to go through two \$400 – & 500 vehicle provincial approval inspections each year.

Due to the operation expenses being exhausted we were using our vehicle emergency reserve fund till our casino funds were awarded to us.

If we are granted this request, we will be able to keep on providing the great volunteer service to Bentley.

Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event, or activity.

Continual year-round programs

Does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves that could be used to fund the project (please explain below and if so, please provide amounts)

We kept our Van running with our deleting emergency reserve funds The town donation helped us. After years we were able to have a Casino for support funds. We are trying to look forward to a small reserve fund for our time when we will have to replace our Van. Casino funds only come about every three years.

If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

We will continue to offer the services people look forward to. We are waiting and counting getting our casino funds next year. This will let us continue and expand to meet needs we face. If short of funds we will have to look at what we could cut out.

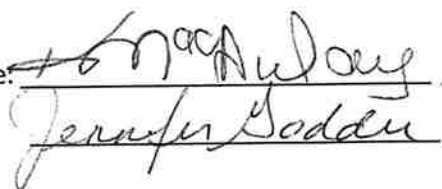
With the grocery store is opened again, [as we get volunteer drivers], we can again add an opportunity for older, limited, or disabled residents, a once-a-week Bentley downtown trip. In the past this has helped residents go for mail, groceries, banking, drug store orders or what ever they might have needed that week. They would even have a coffee at times.

**Acceptance:**

If approved, Bentley Community Van Society hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines.

and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: Dec, 31 2024 Representative:



Schedule A  
Town of Bentley

Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support  
Application Form

Name of the Organization: Bentley Minor Ball  
Mailing Address: Box 734 Bentley AR Tocojo  
Contact Person: Diana Spelt  
Phone/Cel Number: 403-896-1145 email address: minor.ball.bentley@gmail.com  
Amount of Funding Request: \$ 5000.00

Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.

Bentley Minor Ball has experieced much growth over the years which has led us to be in dire need of new, updated equipment and jersey's. We are hoping for continued growth of our programs and as we improve our diamonds we hope this can lead to hosting tournaments or other events within the softball/baseball communities.

How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?

If approved for funding Bentley Minor Ball intends on providing activities for the children in the community as well as jobs for youth. Many youth in the community work as umpires which means the more games we can have -7

The more we keep our youth in our Community.

Please summarize how your project aligns with the strategic priorities of Mayor and Council as identified through the Bentley Community Strategic Plan April 2019.

Funding for Bentley minor ball falls under Strategic Plan goal #3. Objective 3.1 & 3.2. are specifically aligned to our needs for improving our program to keep youth involved in sport in our Community. We are also hoping to begin hosting tournaments as we improve our diamonds.

Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.

We are in desperate need of new up to date equipment.

Our equipment is very well used and it is important to provide proper, safe gear to our youth both playing and umpiring. We also need new jersey's, with rising costs we have been unable to secure enough savings for both of these items so we are looking for approximately half of the costs.

See attached.

Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity

We can order all items immediately for implementation in spring of 2025.

**Does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves that could be used to fund the project (please explain below and if so, please provide amounts)?**

We currently have a balance of \$10,067.64 in our account.



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If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

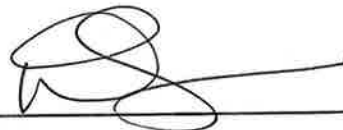
We likely would utilize funds towards the jersey's first and then add in whatever equipment we can afford. We potentially can fundraise for the remaining equipment costs.

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**Acceptance:** If approved, Bentley Minor Ball (print name) hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: Dec 31 2024

Representative: \_\_\_\_\_



Quote Request Baseball Jerseys- Reds Source for Sports

<team@redssports.ca>  
To: Diana Spelt <minor.ball.bentley@gmail.com>

Tue, Dec 17 at 5:06 PM

Hey Diana,

Sorry! The Holiday season has gotten the best of us over the last couple of days, the store has been so busy!!

I was trying to get some pricing from Under Armour but wasn't able to find an exact number, although I do know that they would be significantly more than these ones...although Athletic Knit did surprise me for a full sub, I didn't expect that much of a difference!

I spoke with Don and he would like to propose a partnership. He is willing to give a \$5.00 discount per jersey off of the below prices if you would be willing to put a Reds Source for Sports Logo on the jersey. We provided the same discount to Lacombe Minor Baseball so if you are interested, I can show you what it looks like, if is a small logo on the bottom, back left side.

TROY Full Button Sublimated Jersey- \$61.00 per jersey (this is who did Lacombe Minor Baseball's jerseys)

100 MPH (Bardown)- \$69.00/jersey

Athletic Knit- \$120.00 (Hoofta!!)

If you want to send me your logo and an idea of what you are wanting, I can submit a mock up request so you can see what your ideas look like 😊

Take Care!!

Kim

[Quoted text hidden]

\$61.00 x 120 Jersey's

\$7320

9419.93 +  
applicable  
Taxes.

# CHAMPRO PROFESSIONAL UMPIRE GEAR BOX SET

SKU: CBSUVK

**\$349.99** *X 2.* = *699.98*

Quantity

\$349.99 - ADD TO CART

## Store Availability

📍 Mississauga	✔ In Stock
📍 Winnipeg	✘ Out of Stock
📍 Online Store	✔ In Stock

## DESCRIPTION ^

Champro Professional Umpire Gear Box Set

- Lightweight umpire mask
- Pro-Plus umpire chest protector
- Low-profile design Pro-Plus umpire leg guard
- Wood umpire brush
- 4-dial indicator
- Professional umpire ball bag

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS ∨

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✓ Easy returns

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### A500 CM 32" YOUTH CATCHER'S GLOVE BASEBALL GLOVE

WILSON ([HTTPS://WWW.BASEBALLTOWN.CA/US/BRANDS/WILSON/](https://www.baseballtown.ca/us/brands/wilson/))



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**C\$99.99** Excl. tax

✓ In stock (12)

In stock (9) at Laval  
3835 Boul. Curé-Labelle, Laval H7P 0A5 CA

In stock (1) at 2-Saint-Hubert  
3085 2e Rue, Saint-Hubert J3Y 8Y8 CA

In stock (2) at 3-Ottawa  
464 Bank Street, Ottawa K2P 1Z3 CA

Last updated: Today at 08:53

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Wilson A500 CM 32" Youth Catcher's Glove Baseball Glove Read more..

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## JEN SCHRO THE FUNDAMENTAL CATCHER'S BOX SET

EASTON ([HTTPS://WWW.BASEBALLTOWN.CA/US/BRANDS/EASTON/](https://www.baseballtown.ca/us/brands/easton/))



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**C\$399.99** Excl. tax

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In stock (1) at 2-Saint-Hubert  
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Out of stock at 3-Ottawa  
464 Bank Street, Ottawa K2P 1Z3 CA

Last updated: Today at 08:52

**Article number:**

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Easton Jen Schro The Fundamental Catcher's Box Set Read more..

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Schedule A  
Town of Bentley

Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support  
Application Form

Name of the Organization: KRUZIN WEST  
Mailing Address: RR 1 SITE 2 BOX 28 LACOMBE AB T4L 2N1  
Contact Person: BRENT MOORE  
Phone/Cel Number: 403 358 2540 email address: wiggsc@YAHOO.COM  
Amount of Funding Request: \$ 2500

Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.

BENTLEY ANNUAL CAR SHOW  
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How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?

BRINGS LARGE AMOUNTS OF PEOPLE  
TO TOWN, WHICH THEY SPEND MONEY AT  
LOCAL BUSINESSES  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please summarize how your project aligns with the strategic priorities of Mayor and Council as identified through the Bentley Community Strategic Plan April 2019.

HELPS BRING PEOPLE TO TOWN  
TO DISCOVER OUR COMMUNITY

Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.

MONEY USED FOR ADVERTISING, APPAREL,  
TROPHIES AND IMPROVING THE CAR SHOW.  
ALSO WE USE MONEY MADE FROM CAR  
SHOW FOR SANTA SLEIGH RIDE AT XMAS.

Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity

SOMETIME IN AUGUST.

**Does your organization carry a cash balance in your bank account or carry operating reserves that could be used to fund the project (please explain below and if so, please provide amounts)?**

Yes

If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.

Yes.

**Acceptance:** If approved, BRENT MOORE (print name) hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: 24-12-05 Representative: B Moore



Bentley Community Hall  
Box 768, Bentley Alberta,

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024,

[bentleycommunityhall@gmail.com](mailto:bentleycommunityhall@gmail.com)

Town of Bentley

Bentley, Alberta

In Care of Marc Fortais:

Dear Mayor & Town Council and Marc Fortais (CAO)

The Bentley Community Hall is requesting an extension for the \$20,000 dollar funding amount that Town of Bentley gave us earlier this year for our Hall Stair replacement. We could not proceed with the work on our Hall stairs as planned in August of this year as we did not raise enough funds to complete the project.

We need \$85,575.00 to complete our hall stair repair. In September 2024 we applied for a matching grant in the amount of \$42,787.50 from the Alberta Community Enhancement Grant. We have raised donations and cash in the amount of \$35,143.89. We also have a GIC that will come open in the spring of 2025 in the amount of \$5577.11, which will bring us to \$40,721.00. A request for an additional \$2500.00 to the Sylvan Lake and District Lions has happened. This brings us to our financial goal of approx. \$43,000.00.

Historical Alberta wanted us to get quotes from additional engineering firms in early 2024 which did not correspond with their funding deadlines. We missed the funding deadline with HPPP. We then applied to our County of Lacombe for funding under their community hall initiative plan, but they said no as they will only fund one hall in each community. They will now and always only fund the Bentley Ag Center Hall in our community. We will not know until the spring of 2025 whether the Alberta Community Enhancement Grant will match our grant application in the amount of \$42,787.50. We do have our engineers and our contractor in place to begin construction of our new stairs in the spring of 2025.

We are also applying to Historical Alberta in 2025 to recoup our halls engineering costs that we have spent on our stair project to date. We have been applying for \$10,500, our total engineering costs.

If we do not receive funding from the Alberta Community Enhancement Grant, we will still be going ahead with the stair replacement portion of our project with Olds Concrete in spring of 2025. But it does mean that we will have to put the stone walls and any repairs they need on hold until further funding was in place.

Our Bentley Hall Board Association would like to make a funding contingency request from the Town of Bentley to consider helping us financially if a funding shortfall in 2025 were to happen. Our stone mason has requested \$8,500 to repair the existing stone walls and our engineer has asked us to have an additional \$10,000 in place for any catastrophic damage that may happen during construction. Our Hall Association is asking the Town of Bentley for an additional contingency request of \$18,500 if a funding shortfall were to happen.

We would like to thank the Town of Bentley council for their patience and understanding as we try to raise the last bit of money to complete our project. We are so close. We are asking the Mayor and Town of Bentley Council to please allow us to extend our request of \$20,000 that we received in 2024 and for additional assurances of funding up to the amount of \$18,500 if we have a shortfall in 2025.

Sincerely yours,



Carol Bayntun

Bentley Community Hall Board (Treasurer)

**Schedule A**  
**Town of Bentley**  
**Annual Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Support**  
**Application Form**

Name of the Organization: Bentley Minor Soccer Association

Mailing Address: RR1 Bentley, AB; T0C 0J0

Contact Person: Michelle Lundy, President

Phone/Cel Number: 780-242-9663 email address: mm@ualberta.ca

Amount of Funding Request: \$ 5000.00

**Describe the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested. Identify what is to be done and how. The more information you provide, the better Town Council will be able to assess your application. Add a sheet if enough room is not provided.**

Bentley Minor Soccer continues to be a growing organization, having seen a steady increase in registration numbers over the past 10 years, from approximately 40 registrations in 2013 in the age categories of U6, U8,

and U10, to last outdoor season (2024), a total of 144 kids registered in age categories from U5 to U17! We also had a number of players and coaches from the Bentley community participate in summer soccer and use

the Bentley fields as their home base for practices and exhibition games. We have also established an indoor program over the last couple years. This shows the excitement this program has created and that our youth want to play this sport longer than just the spring season.

As volunteers (and parents!), we are proud to be able to provide this opportunity for our kids.

Come the spring of 2025, we are very excited to be working with the town to begin construction on the new field project! While we do have funds in place to get this project going, with hopefully additional funds coming from the County, we know this project will still require more. As well, we will still have the day to day costs associated with running an effective youth sporting program, as we will require new nets, new goal posts, new balls, and new jerseys to keep up with the growing registration numbers.

**How will the outcomes of the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested strengthen the quality of life, foster civic pride and help to build a healthy community?**

Soccer nights in the town of Bentley are exciting nights! There are families that have multiple children registered, so for them, it becomes a family outing, offering activity and opportunities for socialization for all

involved. When Bentley Minor Soccer hosts the annual U9 tournament in May, it often brings residents from the town to the fields to simply catch the fun and excitement of watching approximately 150 kids in action

throughout the day. The kids registered in our program show pride in wearing a Bentley Bighorn jersey and more often than not, can spot these jerseys in the hallways of Bentley School. Bentley Soccer

has even taken part in the parade the last couple summers, with an abundance of kids taking part, walking the streets, and showing off some of the medals won throughout the season. The association also provides

our junior high and high school students with work experience as referees/lines person. We strongly believe that Bentley Minor Soccer, for all of the above reasons (and more!) helps promote a healthy, vibrant community that will continue to engage residents of Bentley.

**Provide a clear, detailed budget of income and expenditures for the program, event or activity for which funding is being requested.**

One of our biggest expenses every year are jerseys and equipment replacement ie. balls, pinnies, nets etc. With the ever increasing prices due to economic times, we have seen a steady increase in our equipment costs.

As a non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers, one of our aims is to keep registration costs affordable for all families. If we were able to apply Town of Bentley grant money to help us purchase jerseys and equipment, we would be able to maintain low registration costs to continue to make this program accessible to all residents of the Town and surrounding rural families.

To be more specific in costs, jerseys are an approximate \$3500 yearly expenditure. Each year we also try to replace worn out balls, which amounts to approximately \$300 (15 balls at \$20).

Lastly, with last years grant money, we were able to replace the netting on some of our portable nets. This year we are hoping to purchase new frames to keep up with increasing number of teams, as well as replace some of our worn out nets. The large portable frames retail at approximately \$1100 each, whereas pop up nets are approximately \$50 each.

**Provide the schedule or target dates for the program, event or activity**

Outdoor registration opens February 1, 2025. Jerseys and replacement equipment are ordered end of March when we have received all of our registration numbers. Spring season runs from end of April until beginning of July.

Indoor registration opens in September and the indoor season runs from October to March, with indoor jerseys ordered at the end of September.

**If approved for partial funding only, are you prepared to undertake all or part of the program, event or activity described above. If yes, identify which part you would be prepared to undertake with reduced funding.**

Yes, even during years of losses, as an association, we have figured out a way to keep this program going.

As such, we are prepared to continue doing so, even if it means using worn out, older equipment or finding additional funding sources ie. jersey sponsorships.

We believe having Minor Soccer in the Town of Bentley is a crucial component of our towns' youth engagement and overall social, psychological, physiological development.

**Acceptance:** If approved, Michelle Lundy, President Bentley Minor Soccer hereby agrees, by the signature of our appointed representative(s), to comply with the policy guidelines and accountability criteria as set out in the Town of Bentley Recreational, Cultural, Historical, Tourism Funding Policy.

Date: December 5, 2024 Representative: \_\_\_\_\_



## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING December 12, 2024

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### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR BIRCH BAY BOAT CLUB**

A public hearing was held regarding the proposed Birch Bay Boat Club lease agreement with Lacombe County. Following the public hearing, Council approved the lease agreement.

### **GRAVEL PIT ACQUISITION**

Council approved the County's acquisition of the Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors' Dentman gravel pit.

### **BYLAW NO. 1420/24**

Bylaw No. 1420/24 pertaining to a Recovery Centre on N ½ 22-41-2-W4M as a discretionary use in the Agricultural 'A' District. Bylaw No. 1421/24 received second and third reading and was passed by Council.

### **BROOM TREE FOUNDATION**

Council was provided with a presentation regarding the Broom Tree Foundation.

### **DELTA LAND CO. INC. (SANDY POINT) GULL LAKE IDP AMENDMENT**

Representatives of Delta Land Co. Inc. made a presentation to Council in support of their request that the County initiate the amendment of the Gull Lake Intermunicipal Development (IDP) Plan to allow for the development of Delta Land Co. Inc.'s lands currently located outside the IDP's development area. Council will consider adding the Gull Lake IDP review as part of the County's Long Range Plan.

### **KALINA POWER – SWAN HILLS SYNFUELS**

Council was provided with a presentation regarding the proposed Kalina Power projects in Lacombe County.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE FEES**

Amendments to Policy F(1) Fire Protection and Emergency Response, which include revisions to fire department response fees, were approved as presented.

### **ROAD AND SUBDIVISION RENAMING APPLICATION FEE**

Council approved an amendment to Policy AD(20), which includes a provision for charging a fee for road and subdivision renaming applications.

### **TOWN OF BENTLEY POLICY RC(1) ARENA SLAB REPLACEMENT ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

Council approved the Town of Bentley's request for funding under Policy RC(1) in the amount of 50% of the revised project cost, up to a maximum of \$675,000, for the Bentley Arena Slab Replacement Project.



WHERE PEOPLE ARE THE KEY

**AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD (ASB) MEETING – REQUEST TO CHANGE DATE**

The January 16, 2025 ASB meeting was rescheduled to January 15, 2025.

**LACOMBE COUNTY 2025 RATES AND FEES BYLAW**

Council approved Bylaw 1422/24, which establishes 2025 rates and fees for County goods and services.

**CAPITAL PROGRESS REPORT**

Council received a presentation on the County's capital progress report as of November 30, 2024.

**Next Regular Council Meeting is**  
**January 9, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.**

**Next Committee of the Whole Meeting is**  
**February 4, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.**

**Lacombe County Administration Building**

**\*\*For more details from Lacombe County Council meetings, please refer to the meeting minutes. All meeting minutes are posted on the website ([www.lacombecounty.com](http://www.lacombecounty.com)) after approval.**



**Greg Rathjen**

**Council Report December 2024**

- December 1, 2024, Seniors Lunch at the Old Hall about 85 people  
Attended Seventh Day Adventist FCSS
- December 2, 2024, Official Inauguration of the Red Deer Railway  
Guests from across the province and the USA
- December 6, 2024, [Trickster Theatre Student Performance](#) Bentley  
School
- December 7, 2024, Santa's Community Celebration
- December 10, 2024, Regular Council 2025 Preliminary Budget  
Consideration
- December 18, 2024, Meeting with MP Calkins
- December 19, 2024, Mayor's area Meeting in Red Deer



**Brenda Valiquette**

**REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2024**

- Dec 10, 2024, Regular Council Meeting





**Dale Grimsdale**

**REPORT FOR December 2024**

- Dec 6, 2024, School Christmas Concert
- Dec 7, 2024, Town Christmas Festival
- Dec 10, 2024, Regular Council Meeting



**Lenore Eastman**

**REPORT December 2024**

- Dec 7, 2024, Town Christmas Festival
- Dec 10, 2024, Regular Council Meeting – 2025 Budget



Pam Hansen

REPORT FOR December 2024

- Dec 7, 2024, Town Christmas Festival
- Dec 10, 2024, Regular Council Meeting – 2025 Budget
- Dec 12, 2024, Medicine Lodge Ski Hill AGM
  - Well attended
  - Executive elections
  - Discussed upcoming work and repairs that need to be done