



**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley
August 20, 2019**

Date & Place: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley, held Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 6:45 pm, in the Bentley Municipal Office.

In Attendance: Mayor Greg Rathjen
Councillor Doug Talsma
Councillor Neil Maki
Councillor Cora Knutson
CAO Elizabeth Smart

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

Agenda: The following items were added:

- 8.a) CAO Search
- 8.b) E-bicycles & e-strollers

Motion 147/2019: Moved by Councillor Talsma that the Agenda of the August 20, 2019, regular meeting be approved as amended.

Carried

Previous Minutes: **Motion 148/2019:** Moved by Deputy Mayor Knutson that the minutes of the July 23, 2019 regular meeting be confirmed.

Carried

Motion 149/2019: Moved by Councillor Maki that the minutes of the Special Meeting held August 9, 2019 be confirmed.

Carried

Financial: a) **Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques 20190542 to 20190643**

Motion 150/2019: Moved by Councillor Talsma that the prepaid cheque listing, being cheques 20190542 to 20190643, be received for information.

Carried

New Business: a) **Lacombe County/Town of Bentley
Fire Services Agreement**

The CAO advised this is a new proposed agreement that was a result of discussions/negotiations held during the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework meetings held with Lacombe County.

The CAO requested Council postpone a decision on this agreement, pending several minor amendments.

Carried

Motion 151/2019: Moved by Deputy Mayor Knutson that Council defer the proposed Lacombe County/Town of Bentley Fire Services Agreement to the September 10, 2019 regular meeting.

Carried

b) Letter of concern from businesses located on 50th street south regarding needed road repairs/upgrades.

The upgrading of 50th street south and the problem with underground springs and drainage issues on 50th street south and Murray Street were discussed at the July 23, 2019 regular meeting. At that meeting, Motion 144/2019 directed the Town undertake an engineering study to undertake upgrades to 50th street south and Murray Street, with this being a possible project in 2020. The CAO advised that her and the Public Works Foreman had discussed this matter with Brad Vander Heyden of Stantec Consulting and they will undertake a study and provide recommendations for addressing the problems with the roads.

Mayor Rathjen said he would personally meet with each business and advise them of Council's actions in this regard and Council's intention to undertake the work in 2020.

**c) Central Alberta Regional Vision for Non-Violence
Proclamation of October 7 – 11, 2019 a Verbal Abuse Prevention Week**

Motion 152/2019: Moved by Mayor Rathjen that the week of October 7 – 11, 2019 be proclaimed as Verbal Abuse Prevention Week in Bentley, further that all citizens be called upon to speak out against verbal abuse, to raise awareness about the detrimental effects of verbal abuse on those who encounter it and that it is essential to promote safety and non-violent ways of behaving in schools, workplaces and communities.

Carried

Correspondence: a) **Town of Peace River
Re: recent ruling by Canada Revenue regarding GST**

b) **Lacombe Foundation Annual Report**

Motion 152/2019: Moved by Councillor Maki that Correspondence, Items a) to e), be received for information.

Carried

Council Reports a) **Councillor Talsma
b) Deputy Mayor Knutson**

Motion 153/2019: Moved by Deputy Mayor Knutson that Council Reports for the Month of July be received for information.

Carried

Other Business: a) **CAO Search**

Motion 154/2019: Moved by Councillor Maki that the services of Davies Consulting Group be selected as the consulting firm to assist Council in the search for a CAO.

Carried

b) **E-bicycles & e-scooters**

Deputy Mayor Knutson requested Administration research regulations pertaining to the operation of the electric bicycles and electric scooters in municipalities.

Adjournment: **Motion 155/2019:** Moved by Councillor Talsma that, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Carried



Mayor Greg Rathjen



CAO Elizabeth Smart