

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BAILDON NO. 131
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on October 2, 2024
at the Regional Municipal Plaza

Those in attendance:	Reeve: Terry Anthony
Division 1 – Dennis Shortland	Division 2 – Philip Huntley
Division 3 – Kristine Hanlan	Division 4 – Jeff Lewis
Division 5 – Jerry Kaiser	Division 6 – Ron McDonald
Administrator – Carol Bellefeuille	
Assistant Administrator – Tracy Edwards	

Reeve Anthony called the meeting to order at 8:27 a.m.

Conflict of Interest – None declared

Agenda

170/24 Lewis: THAT the agenda be accepted as presented.

Carried Un.

Employee Committee Meeting Report

The Employee committee reported on the following items:

Grader Operator Layoff

That the RM of Baildon lay off Vern Moffatt effective November 14, 2024.

Utility Worker

That the RM of Baildon, employee Jered Sisetsky, will be a year-round salaried employee. Job Title is Equipment/Maintenance Operator.

2025 Salaried Employee wages

That Schedule 1-2025 for wages be presented for salaried employees.

171/24 – Hanlan: That Council approves the committee report and schedules as presented.

Carried Un.

Regular Council Minutes

172/24 Shortland: That Council approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 14, 2024, and be accepted as presented.

Carried Un.

Bank Reconciliation for August & September 2024

173/24 Lewis: That the bank reconciliation report for the month of August & September 2024 be accepted as presented.

Carried Un.

Financials August & September 2024

174/24 McDonald: That the financial report for the month of August & September be accepted as presented.

Carried Un.

Accounts for Approval

175/24 Kaiser: That the list of accounts For August & September 2024 paid by cheque number 2184-2255 Conexus Credit Union totaling \$129,821.59 as well as the list of accounts paid by Electronic Fund Transfer \$397,451.46 be approved for payment and ratified.

Carried Un.

Payroll Approval

176/24 Shortland: That the list of payroll for August & September 2024 paid by Electronic Fund transfer Pay Period 17-20, totaling \$49,171.71.

Carried Un.

Council Indemnity Approvals

177/24 Kaiser: That Council approves the Council Indemnity for August & September 2024 as presented.

Carried Un.

Water Line request – NW 24-15-26-W2, Lot 5&6 Blk 1

178/24 Huntley: THAT Council approves the request by Mr. Kaiser on the Municipal Road (alley way) located between Lot 5&6 a water line to be buried. The waterline shall be a minimum six feet in depth and a marker must be placed indicating the location of the water line. Work must be completed by October 31, 2024.

Carried.

Power line request – NW 24-15-26-W2, Lot 3,4,5,6,7 Blk 1

179/24 Huntley: THAT Council requires further information from Mr. Kaiser before proceeding with the decision. The applicant must contact SaskPower and provide the RM documentation that the line will be installed by SaskPower. The line must be detectable with land locates, prior to Council considering the request put forward. Council further instructs the applicant to remove the line that is currently crossing under the lane immediately.

Carried.

Discretionary Use permit - Blk/Par A Plan 101060525 Ext 14 (the “Hamlet Land”)

180/24

Shortland: Whereas the RM of Baildon 131 Council has created a Bylaw Committee that is, among other things, reviewing the Zoning Bylaw and determining what if any amendments should be made; and

Whereas the RM of Baildon 131 Bylaw Committee has received and considered discretionary use permit application submitted by Bill Stock in relation to the storage of vehicles on his property within the hamlet; and

Whereas the RM of Baildon 131 Bylaw Committee has recommended that the application be granted with conditions:

And whereas an official count of the vehicles currently being stored by Bill Stock on their land within the hamlet took place with the Stocks’ consent on September 5, 2024, and that 210 vehicles were counted (the “Official Inventory Count”)

The RM of Baildon 131 Council hereby grants to Bill Stock a discretionary use permit for the hamlet land Blk/Par A Plan 101060525 Ext 14 (the “Hamlet Land”) with the following conditions:

The applicant agrees to be aware of and be in compliance with any and all applicable Federal and Provincial Environmental Regulations, Hazardous Substance and Waste Dangerous Goods Regulations, Fisheries Act and any other applicable regulations set out by the provincial and federal governments (the “Regulations”). The applicant also agree to obtain any additional permits required by the Regulations and comply with any enforcement proceedings initiated by any other level of government.

The number of vehicles must remain the same as the Official Inventory Count at all times.

The applicant agrees that there will be no more than 5 vehicles at any given time located outside the fenced area of the Hamlet Land

The Hamlet Land is subject to an annual physical site inspection, on reasonable notice from the RM Office, to determine if there has been a change in the number of vehicles from the Official Inventory Count.

The applicant agrees to provide a report detailing the long term plan for removal of the vehicles and decommissioning of the Hamlet Land in the event the use of the property changes.

Councillor Kaiser requested a recorded vote:

Anthony, Shortland, Huntley, Hanlan, Lewis, McDonald – in Favor

Kaiser - Opposed

Carried.

Administrator Report

September 2024

- The RM won the Appeal with Diane Gronvold, to be determined if costs will be awarded.
- RM won the Appeal with Western Municipal Consulting regarding the Stop Work, issued against J. Kaiser, unanimously.
- The Call for nominations will begin mid-September. Division 1, 3, 5 and Reeve.
- Nomination papers due in the office October 9 at 4:30 p.m.
- Advance Pole – November 5, 2024
- Election day, November 13
- Division Meeting – Friday September 20 – Regina
- RMAA meeting – August 28 & 29

October 2024

- Culvert prices up 30%, October 1, 2024, Garth ordered more
- SARM midterm -Check in — November 19 checks out November 21 - 3 rooms booked, myself and 2 others? In Saskatoon
- Children playing signs — ordered 2, one for RM of Baildon and one for Hillsborough at Crestwynd.
- **2025 Planning**
- Bridge repairs
- Gravel Crush
- Grader leases
- Gas tax projects
- **Upcoming meetings**
- October 4 - Reeve and Administrator to City of Moose Jaw Landfill meeting.

Maintenance August 2024

- Intersection and road work complete on the Archive Road and Range Rd 2275.
- Soil samples taken on Baildon rd and #2 in front of old shop in the South ditch. Dug down 3 ft in 3 different locations and found no clay there for rebuilding this slumping road shoulder. Will have to truck in.
- Trimmed trees on Newberry Road, 32nd Avenue and South of Anthony's, and West on Twp. Rd 152. These were causing issues with our equipment as well as others. These still need to be cleaned up this fall before the mowers get here.
- Finishing up the first pass mowing past as some hay was not cut as planned so cleaning up these areas now, as well as some other areas where the weeds have really taken over. In some cases, a little help from the locals when spraying fields up to the road edge would help. These are the side roads that are being farm right to the edge of the road.
- We have had demonstrations on 2 different types of mowers here. One being a Disc type mower and the second being a Flail type Mower. Both were a 3-point hitch style.
- The Disc Mower was a Pottinger 11 Ft. This machine working very well cutting 11 ft at 7.5 to 8 mph. It took just about everything we through at it till we broke a couple Blades and then it plugged up. In its defense it was a very heavy cut and once the blades broke on a stone hidden in the grass it could clear itself. Blades are supposed to be easy to change but can be a struggle. This machine just cuts and lays the material down. It does not mulch it up, can be raked and baled later if someone was so inclined. This machine has more moving parts as each one of the 11 Disc assembling's is gear driven in a tube with gear oil. If there is a gear failure it could damage more than one. I did ask about warranty claims on these unit as there are a few out there and there have been none that they are aware of at this time. There is a dozen wear plates on this unit which at some point will need replacing.
- The Flail Mower was a Samasz, Eruopean made and are new to our Country and are widely used in Europe. So new to this country that the Demo we had is the only one that Triod has in Western Canada. Apparently used a lot in Ontario. This machine's cut was a 6.6ft and we were able to run at 7.5 mph through most of our heavy grassed shoulders. This machine mulches everything up and leaves it laying in the Ditch. We ran it through some 6ft

Ragweed's at 3 mph and the only thing left after that was about 3 ft of Stock, everything else was gone. This machine once set up, height was set by a full width roller on back of machine, would just follow the contour of the surface allowing the Operator to look ahead for any obstacles and not have to worry about constantly adjusting height. Just basically tow it along. This unit also has very few moving parts compared to the other unit tested.

- On the overall experience with both Machines, the Operator really likes the Flail for its simplicity in operation. Having these Units on the 3 Point hitch was a huge improvement in maneuverability for around our signs and culverts. We used 20 litres less in Fuel with both compared to our present unit. Away fewer moving parts with the Flail having the least amount.
- Had to monitor a few weed issues for John Langford and he was kept up to date on them.
- Dutch Elm sampling was done at 15 locations with positive tests coming back on 14 of them. The Landowner should have received their copy of the Report from Crop Protection Services. I have not been questioned by anybody at this point.
- Have been spraying some Bindweed and Baby breathe.
- Graders have been working at cleaning up the side roads. Have a few messes out there to clean up and will continue to work on these this Fall.
- Culvert and Sign cleaning has started. Would like to ask people to please slow down when passing us as we sometimes don't see them coming till to late.
- Custom Mowers will be in the area early September for the Fall clean up.
- Bridge inspection was done and had a very interesting meeting with Justin as per what should be done in the next 5 years to keep and maintain our Bridges . He will be attending our Meeting.
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September 2024

Maintenance

- Concerns were raised over Sask Power surveying for a new line along the Dog Road, east to Thoroughgood's as well as the Tilney Road. This is just preliminary survey, and these showed the Road Allowance location. Once the pole location has been determined SaskPower will be in touch with us and we can review all location before any are installed. They are aware of our concerns regarding machinery clearances at corners and approaches.
- The Culvert marking and cleaning around has been completed and we have a few that we want to go back and clean material away with the Hoe.
- Custom Mowing is complete now and our Mower is out cleaning up areas along side roads and the odd Backslope.
- Had to replace Centre Gearbox on our Mower, bearing failed and seized it up.
- Work on 32nd Avenue has been completed, shoulder was pulled up and road was recapped.
- Gravel piles have been measured by I Rock.
- Sparrow Bridge was run into by someone and caused damage to the Guard Rail. This will need to be replaced.
- Jeffery Bridge was also run into, and Guard Rail had to be replaced on the NE corner.
- Took our damaged Grader tires to Regina for Michelin Inspection and picked up a Culvert to installed next year at the Bob Lowe corner. Culverts are to go up 30% next year so figured might as well get in on the Savings right now and then install next year.
- Have had to fix more downed Signs in the RM and as we are doing these have been moving them farther out from the Corners.
- Dutch Elm infected trees at are being scheduled for removal.
- Road repair on the Baildon rd at the Highway access is getting done.

Button Mowing has expressed a concern over the use of smaller mowers for our first cut in July. Normally when we use our Machine it is cutting 12 ft. When they come along, they are also cutting 12 to 13ft and traveling at 3.5 to 4.5 mph. The roads that we demo'd on, they found that they had to slow down to 1.5 to 2.5 mph because they were having to cut 7 to 8 ft of heavier grass that we did not cut with the smaller machines therefore having to slow down. Concern is that the longer time is going to increase the cost of getting our Fall cut done. We originally thought we would be saving time and money by cutting our time down in July, first cut, but if we are having to take longer on our Fall cut and costing us more in the Fall is there really any Savings.

181/24 Hanlan: THAT the Administrator & Maintenance reports be accepted as presented.

Carried Un.

Justin Lesperance – 10:00-10:25

Pier solutions – Bridge Inspections – Overview

Overview Phase 1 – Inspection completed, and report provided- work to be done-2024

The review included the 3 bridges that will require work this year as well as pricing. A breakdown of bridges and costs is provided for the following 4 years. Inspection of the structure’s reports provided.

182/24 Kaiser: THAT the RM proceed with Year 1 - Phase 2 Maintenance of the Sparrow, Baildon and Skyline Bridges at a cost of \$54,150.00 as presented.

Carried Un.

Arrears List

183/24 Lewis: That Council approves the arrears list for August & September 2024, as presented.

Carried Un.

Canada Community Building Fund Agreement

184/24 Lewis: That Council of the RM of Baildon enter into agreement with the Provincial and Federal government to build and revitalize public municipal infrastructure, economic growth and productivity, through this agreement. Through this agreement known as the Canada Community Building Fund Agreement.

Carried Un.

Code of Ethics Complaint

185/24 McDonald: Motion to receive the report titled “EXTERNAL OPINION REGARDING SCOPE OF CODE OF ETHICS BYLAW NO. 03-2021 FOR THE RM OF BAILDON #131” Prepared by Leslie Belloc-Pinder, K.C. Dated August 30,2024. and that the matters outlined in the Ethics Complaints filed on June 13, 2024, June 17, 2024 and July 5, 2024 by Mr. Jerry Kaiser are now considered closed.

Carried.

186/24 Hanlan: That Council will have our legal Council communicate to Mr. Kaiser on the matters associating with the ethics complaints of on June 13, 2024, June 17, 2024, and July 5, 2024.

Carried.

Appointment of Election officials

187/24 Lewis:That Council appoint the following election officials and compensation rate:

Returning Officer: Carol Bellefeuille: Regular Salary
Deputy Returning Officer: Lori Bradford: \$700 – includes Advance Poll, Election Day, Training, meals & mileage
Poll Clerk: Tracy Edwards: Regular Salary
Alternate: John Hales:

Carried Un.

188/24 Hanlan: That Council acknowledges the following dates for advance and Election voting.

Advanced Polls: **Moose Jaw**, November 5: 4:30- 8:00
Election Date: **RM Shop** November 13 9:00am to 8:00 pm

Carried Un.

Gravel Crush 2025

189/24 Hanlan: That the Council of the RM of Baildon send out an RFP (Request for Proposals) for Gravel crush for 2025 , 50,000 yards, Aug 1, 2025 -November 30, 2025, dates crushing to be completed.

Carried Un.

Donations

190/24 Kaiser: That the Council donate to the following:

Claybank Beef Club \$100
Blue Hills Cemetery \$200
Baildon Rec. Board \$800
Hillsdale Cemetery \$200

Carried Un.

Subdivision NW 30-13-26-W2

191/24 Huntley: That the Council approves the subdivision at NW 30-13-26-W2 .
The Municipal reserve amount will be \$1,295.81, donated to Connors Park in Moose Jaw.

Carried Un.

Council Reports

Division 3: Mowing.
Division 5: Dutch Elm, Spot gravel

Approval Council Reports

192/24 Hanlan: THAT the Council reports be accepted as presented.

Carried Un.

Next Regular Meeting of Council

193/24 Lewis: That the next regular Council meeting will be held tentatively Wednesday
November 6, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Carried Un.

Adjourn

194/24 Lewis: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Carried Un.

Certification

Presented to Council of the RM of Baildon No. 131 this _____ day of

_____, 2024 and accepted as Presented.

Terry Anthony - Reeve

Carol Bellefeuille – Administrator