DISTRICT OF BARRIERE MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday, July 18, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers at Municipal Hall 4936 Barriere Town Road, Barriere, B.C.

"We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples of Simpow First Nation within whose traditional lands we are meeting today."

Present: Mayor Ward Stamer

Councillor Rob Kerslake Councillor Scott Kershaw

Councillor Amanda Sabyan – via Zoom

Regrets: Councillor Judy Armstrong

Councillor Al Fortin Councillor Donna Kibble

Staff: Bob Payette, Chief Administrative Officer

Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Chelsea Young, Chief Financial Officer – *via Zoom* Dave Underwood, TRUE Engineering – *via Zoom*

Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Kerslake That Council approve the July 18, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Moved by Councillor Kershaw
 Seconded by Councillor Kerslake
 That Council adopt the minutes of a <u>June 20, 2022 Regular Council Meeting</u>

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Barriere Legion re: COVID-19 Relief Fund Application

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Kerslake That the Barriere Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 242 application for \$5,000 in COVID-19 Relief Funding, be approved.

CARRIED

b. Barriere Food Bank re: COVID-19 Relief Fund Application

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Kerslake That the Barriere Food Bank application for \$5,000 in COVID-19 Relief Funding, be approved.

CARRIED

4. BYLAWS and POLICIES

None scheduled.

5. STAFF REPORTS

a. Wastewater Sanitary Sewer Upgrade Options - D. Underwood, TRUE Engineering

Mr. Underwood provided an overview of the written report which has been resubmitted from the June 6, 2022 Council Meeting for discussion. Some clarifications from the previous discussion was made:

- Flow rate
- Possibility of bypassing SAWRC

Isn't it less expensive to have a Class C effluent vs. Class A? There are some options other than Class A, however, there may be limitations on the source of the effluent. Details for clarity regarding surface and non-surface discharge classes need to be outlined in the Preliminary Review.

Current RIB location still recommended should a bypass of SAWRC come to fruition? Answer, yes.

Moved by Councillor Kerslake Seconded by Councillor Kershaw

THAT the District proceed with advancing the next step in the design process associated with Option A (maintain the existing discharge quality limits) as outlined in the report; and WHEREAS the next step in the design process comprises preliminary design of treatment process improvements, THAT a preliminary design budget of \$30,000 be allocated.

CARRIED

b. <u>Quarterly Budget Review</u> – C. Young, Finance Officer *submitted for information

Items noted were:

LCIP salaries are currently under-budget

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Kerslake

That one million be transferred to reserve

CARRIED

Downtown Wastewater – Salaries are below budget but consulting fees are slightly over budget.

Water Budget – current deficit but there are two more billings remaining in the year.

Operational – Small Community grant slightly higher than anticipated. Roads/Consulting very high but some grant funding will help cover this cost.

c. Mileage Reimbursements - C. Young, Finance Officer

Mayor reported that Councillor Fortin noted his disagreement with the recommendation. The Mayor indicated that he personally supports this recommendation.

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Sabyan That Council approve the mileage rate to increase from \$0.58/km to \$0.68/km with a re-review of the rate in next year's budget.

CARRIED

d. <u>CAO Update</u> – B. Payette, CAO *Submitted for information

The CAO provided an overview of the written report.

6. **PROCLAMATIONS**

None submitted.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. For Information
- b. For Action
 - i. Barriere Senior Secondary PAC re: High School Speed Zone

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Kerslake That staff be directed to research the feasibility of a change in speed zone at the Secondary School and report back to Council at a future meeting.

CARRIED

ii. 2022 Barriere Emergency Services Annual Golf Fundraiser – request for sponsorship

RCMP Officer, Darin Underhill provided an overview of the popular, annual fundraiser.

Moved by Councillor Kerslake Seconded by Councillor That Council sponsor the 2022 Annual BES Golf Tournament event in the amount of \$550.00

CARRIED

iii. TNRD Regional Planning Agreement

Moved by Councillor Kershaw Seconded by Councillor Kerslake That Council authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign the 2022 TNRD Regional Planning Agreement as presented.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. Councillor Sabyan provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Attended Grad Fashion Show & Parade
 - Attended Canada Day celebration
- b. Councillor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Attended Grad Fashion Show & Parade
 - Participated in a Barriere Chamber Meeting along with the CAO

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor provided a verbal report on the following:

- Attended Grad Ceremony
- Canada Day Event
- Toured the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Cullen, around Barriere and discussed some key issues affecting the community including Health Care issues, lack of housing, much needed wastewater system upgrades in which the District is currently awaiting the Province's funding decision.

10. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES –** None presented

- a. Linda Dahn noted her ongoing concern with DeeJay Mobile Home & RV Park.
- b. Wim Houben noted that he counted 45 people attending the Bandshell Friday event on the 12th.

11. **NOTICE OF MOTION** – None presented

| 12. | NEXT MEETING |
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| | a. Public Hearing & Regular Council Meeting – Monday, August 15, 2022 @ 7pm |
| 13. | ADJOURNMENT |
| | Moved by Councillor Kerslake that the meeting adjourn at 8:05 p.m. |
| | CARRIED |
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Bob Payette, CAO

Mayor Ward Stamer