

**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on Monday, June 19, 2023 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 Simpcw First Nation  
within whose lands we are meeting today."*

Present:                    Acting Mayor Scott Kershaw  
                                Councillor Judy Armstrong - *via Zoom as indicated*  
                                Councillor Rob Kerslake  
                                Councillor Donna Kibble  
                                Councillor Louise Lodge  
                                Councillor Colin McInnis

Regrets:                   Mayor Ward Stamer

Staff:                      Bob Payette, Chief Administrative Officer  
                                Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
                                Chelsea Young, Finance Officer

*The Acting Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.*

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Two late entry items, Draft Bylaws *Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 234* and *Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 235* were added as Agenda Item 4b and 4c.

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**That Council approve the June 19, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended.**

**CARRIED**

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

a. **Moved by Councillor Kerslake**

**Seconded by Councillor Kibble**

**That Council adopt the minutes of a June 5, 2023 Regular Council Meeting**

**CARRIED**

**3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS – *none scheduled***

**4. BYLAWS and POLICIES**

a. DRAFT Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 233 – adoption

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake  
Seconded by Councillor McInnis  
That Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 233 be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

- b. DRAFT Water & Wastewater Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 234 – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> readings

**Moved by Councillor Lodge  
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake  
That Water & Wastewater Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 234 be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading.**

**CARRIED**

**Moved by Councillor Lodge  
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake  
That Water & Wastewater Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 234 be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.**

**CARRIED**

**Moved by Councillor Lodge  
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake  
That Water & Wastewater Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 234 be given 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.**

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Armstrong entered the meeting via Zoom at 7:08pm*

- c. DRAFT Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 235 – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> readings

**Moved by Councillor Kibble  
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake  
That Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 235 be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading.**

**CARRIED**

**Moved by Councillor Kibble  
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake  
That Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 235 be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.**

**CARRIED**

**Moved by Councillor  
Seconded by Councillor  
That Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 235 be given 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.**

**CARRIED**

## 5. STAFF REPORTS

- a. 2022 Annual Reports – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor Kerslake**

**THAT Council accept the 2022 Annual Report and 2022 Annual Water Report as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- b. CAO Update – 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 - *none submitted*

## 8. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:
- Participated in a Rec Committee meeting earlier today
  - The ParticipACTION Challenge is going well, with Barriere still in #1 place provincially!
  - The Wildfire Monument Ribbon Cutting is on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. There will be music & food trucks. Harley Wright has agreed to be the MC of the event as president of the Lower North Thompson Forest Society.
  - This year's Canada Day Celebration is from 2pm to 4pm on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- b. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal report on the following:
- Attended a Strategic Planning Meeting in Clearwater
  - Unfortunately, this year's Demo Day of the Museum was cancelled. A bus will be required in order to host the event going forward.
  - The Museum is preparing their submission for the Wildfire Monument Ribbon Cutting Ceremony that will mark the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the McLure Wildfire.
- c. Councillor Kerslake provided a verbal report on the following:
- Completed a scope of work for the Flume Business Centre (previously known as the HY Louie building).

## 9. MAYOR'S REPORT

Acting Mayor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:

- Attended Simpcw First Nation's Graduation Ceremony with Councillor Kerslake

## 10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- a. Mike Ferguson – Inquired about Volunteer Fire Fighter hiring and termination processes and policies. Acting Mayor Kershaw informed Mr. Ferguson that HR matters are the purview of the CAO and not of Municipal Council. Mr. Ferguson continued to share his grievances with the District, the Fire Department and Councillor Armstrong in her role with NTACS.
- b. David Krapfenbauer – from Austria. As a previous Barriere resident, he is here visiting on holidays and wanted to share an idea he has had for 20 years. He would like 20 large rocks to be put up around town, in front of businesses, that would be artistically painted as part of an annual event. This would serve as a tourist attraction. Rec Committee Chair Lodge noted that the information package he has provided the District will be reviewed during the next Rec Committee meeting.

## 11. NOTICE OF MOTION – *none presented.*

## 12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**That pursuant to Section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and required staff be excluded from the meeting and that Council continues the meeting in closed session to discuss confidential matters at 7:55p.m.**

**CARRIED**

## 13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING – the open meeting reconvened at 8:23p.m.

## 14. NEXT MEETING

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, July 17, 2023 @ 7pm

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Lodge that the meeting adjourn at 8:23p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Acting Mayor Scott Kershaw

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Bob Payette, CAO