

District of Barriere
REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: March 9, 2026	Agenda Item: 5b
To: Council	From: Department Heads
Re: Departmental Updates	

CORPORATE:

Development:

Development Activity			
Construction Activity:	February	2026 YTD	2025
Total Building Permit Applications:	4	5	21
Total Construction Value:	\$268,000	\$997,000	\$3,291,020
Total Building Permits Finalized:	0	0	15 (since June)
Total Construction Value Finalized:	\$0	\$0	\$989,500

- Provided a letter of zoning confirmation to the Christian Life Assembly (CLA) for a recent grant application they have submitted to assist in the anticipated construction of the first phase of rental units planned for their property on Annesty Rd.
- Met with a number of realtors and prospective developers inquiring about multiple properties within the District.
- One small subdivision application was finalized and registered.
- Public Hearing Notice has been published on the District’s website and is scheduled to be distributed as legislated over the coming weeks along with supplemental notices in the Barriere Star Journal.

Bylaw Enforcement:

- One bylaw enforcement file was acted on in February.

Governance:

- Council Liaison Policy – In progress
- Community Support Policy - In progress
- OCP Refresh Update – 1st reading complete & Public Hearing scheduled for Mar. 30, 2026
- Development Approvals Bylaw – Draft bylaw for adoption on this agenda
- 2026-2030 Financial Plan draft – Draft for adoption on this agenda
- Fees & Charges Bylaw – Draft bylaw for adoption on this agenda
- Public Engagement Policy – Draft policy for amendment approval on this agenda
- Solid Waste Bylaw – Complete
- Business Licensing Bylaw – Complete
- Wastewater Bylaw – Complete

Sessions/Meetings:

- The 2026 Community to Community Forum (C2C) is scheduled in Valemount on Thursday April 9th, arriving the evening before on April 8th as dinner is scheduled. Agenda details will be finalized early in the spring.
- SILGA 2026 – Revelstoke April 29 – May 2, 2026. Both Mayor Kerlake and Councillor Lodge have been registered. Early Bird registration ends March 12th.
- Participated in a TransMountain meeting with members of Council and staff.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Operations:

Public Works			
	February	2026 YTD	2025
Potholes Filled:	15	35	195
Pavement Repairs:	0	0	17499
Burials:	0	0	0
Cremations:	0	0	4
Deceased Animal Recovery:	0	0	4
After Hours Call Outs:	0	0	4
Water Distribution			
	February	2026 YTD	2025
New Construction Service Connections:	0	0	5
Water Service On/Off Requests:	5	7	34
Interior Health Water Quality Tests:	12	24	148
Water Usage:	19217	47342	448356
Waterline Repairs:	0	2	7
After Hours Call Outs:	0	0	16
Wastewater Collection & Treatment			
	February	2026 YTD	2025
New Construction Service Connections:	0	0	6
Ministry of Environment Wastewater Tests:	7	14	84
After Hours Call Outs:	0	0	0
General			
	February	2026 YTD	2025
BC One Calls Supported:	1	4	42
Events Supported:	1	2	17

- BBC storage room modifications – awaiting doors from supplier before proceeding with construction.
- Actively researching procurement of a plow truck and accessories. Councillor McInnis briefly inspected JDV's truck as a possible purchase.
- Two new cedar picnic tables (accessible) built by staff from leftover lumber milled from the BTR Archway logs.
- Two used garbage dumpsters (purchased in 2025) were refurbished and are ready to go into service when needed.
- Applied for funding from ICBC for potential traffic calming pilot project.
- 70% load restrictions for municipal roads were implemented as of March 2nd.
- Continue to work with TRUE Consulting to finalize design plans for the new WWTP.
- Participated in the DOB/Simpcw MOU quarterly meeting.

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Fire Department			
Calls	February	2026 YTD	2025
Fire:	3	3	23
Rescue/Motor Vehicle Incidents:	1	6	15
Hazardous Condition (No Fire):	1	2	4
Service Call / Public Assist:	1	3	23
Fire Burning Complaint / Fire Investigation / Fire Alarm:	2	2	36
False Alarm:	0	0	20
Total	8	16	121
Public Education & Events:	1	1	18
FireSmart Assessments:	0	4	17
Fire Prevention / Fire Inspections:	3	12	4

Fire Department Updates:

- Minor Renovations for office space still ongoing – Miracle Man Solutions has donated time for drywall and mudding and extra material.
- First Responder Dinner Held.
- Discussions for Mutual Aid Agreements with McLure.

FireSmart:

- Attended Family Fun Night.
- Onboarding the Wildfire Mitigation Specialist.
- 4 Critical Infrastructure Assessments completed.
- Attended the TNRD FireSmart Committee Meeting.

Weather:

- Verbal

FINANCE:

Financial Services			
	February	2026 YTD	2025
Cash Collected:	\$251,987	\$657,919	\$4,963,536
Cash Disbursed:	\$384,823	\$729,062	\$5,861,273
	Q4 2025 Payment Received	2026 YTD	Project Total
ICIP Wastewater Treatment Grant Funds Received:	\$24,430	\$24,430	\$303,410

- AFT limits have been approved with Beem Credit Union and are now active on our profile.
- Roads equipment loan financing request has been submitted to Municipal Finance Authority.
- Year-end reconciling and reporting have been completed.
- Audit preparation work continues.

**submitted for information*