

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

Held on Monday, January 13 2025 at 5:30pm 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 traditional lands we are meeting today.”*

Present: Acting Mayor Scott Kershaw
 Councillor Judy Armstrong
 Councillor Donna Kibble
 Councillor Louise Lodge
 Councillor Colin McInnis

Staff: Daniel Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer
 Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer
 Chris Matthews, Public Works Manager
 Alexis Hovenkamp, Fire Chief

Acting Mayor Kershaw called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Lodge
Seconded by Councillor Kibble
That Council approve the January 13, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Moved by Councillor Armstrong
Seconded by Councillor McInnis
That Council adopt the minutes of the December 16, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

b. Moved by Councillor Armstrong
Seconded by Councillor Lodge
That Council adopt the minutes of the December 19, 2024 SPECIAL Council Meeting.

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Barriere Trails Society – Harry Waldron, President

Mr. Waldron provided a Power Point presentation to Council outlining an overview of the Society and its request that the District authorize the issuance of a tax receipt for donations to the Society as well as to establish a Stewardship Agreement between the two entities.

**Moved by Councillor Lodge
Seconded by Councillor McInnis
That Council direct staff to prepare a draft Stewardship Agreement with the Barriere Trails Society for consideration at a future Council Meeting.**

CARRIED

**Moved by Councillor Lodge
Seconded by Councillor Armstrong
That Council authorize the issuance of a tax receipt for donations to the Barriere Trails Society with a minimum amount of \$150.00 until Society gets CRA**

CARRIED

4. **BYLAWS and POLICIES** - *none presented*

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

- a. Department Updates – Department Heads
**submitted for information*

Council was provided an overview of the written report.
Councillor Lodge suggested utilizing the Logan Lake FireSmart documentary in Barriere's community awareness program.

Due to time constraints, Council didn't pose any objection to proceeding with KPMG for the 2024 Budget year and potential 2nd and 3rd year if necessary.

- b. Strategic Plan 2025-2026 – CAO

**Moved by Councillor Lodge
Seconded by Councillor Armstrong
THAT Council adopts the 2025-2026 Strategic Plan as presented.**

CARRIED

6. **PROCLAMATIONS** – *none scheduled*

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. For Information

- b. For Action

- i. 2025 SILGA Call for Resolutions – February 21, 2025 Submission Deadline

Staff will present a draft resolution regarding Mobile Home Taxation Collection for Council consideration at the next Council Meeting.

- ii. Barriere Youth Soccer – \$500.00 Grant Request

**Moved by Councillor Kibble
Seconded by Councillor Lodge
That Council approve a grant in the amount of \$500.00 to Barriere Youth Soccer.**

CARRIED

iii. Barriere Elementary PAC - \$500.00 Grant Request

Moved by Councillor Armstrong

Seconded by Councillor McInnis

That Council approve a grant in the amount of \$500.00 to the Barriere Elementary School Parent Advisory Committee (BCPAC).

CARRIED

iv. Barriere Curling Club – Advertising Sponsorship Request

Ms. Randrup reported that the Barriere Curling Club has been awarded with the 2025 BC Stick Curling Championship to be held February 5-9, 2025 in Barriere.

Moved by Councillor Kibble

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

That Council purchase an advertising Gold sponsorship in the amount of \$750.00 for the Barriere Curling Club for the 2025 BC Stick Curling Championship in February.

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8. COUNCIL REPORTS

a. Councillor Armstrong provided a verbal report on the following:

- NTACS Meat Draw fundraiser was well attended

b. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal report on the following:

- Barriere Museum is working with the Elementary School on this year's Heritage Fair.

c. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:

- Participated in a Rec Committee Meeting held today, January 13, 2025 at 9am
- Family Fun Night – February 16th from 5:30pm to 9pm. Seeking volunteers and Silent Auction donations.
- North Thompson Communities Foundation – A *Foundation Voices* column in the paper is being initiated.

9. ACTING MAYOR'S REPORT

Acting Mayor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:

- Preparing for upcoming TNRD Board Meetings
- LNTCFS community granting process is complete.

10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- a. Wim Houben – Margaret Houben's Mad-Hatter Tea Party event with the Theme of "Zorro" is scheduled for February 8th, 2025
- b. Carol (last name not provided) – Noted a large presence of noxious weeds throughout the community.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION – *none presented.*

12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Armstrong

Seconded by Councillor Lodge

THAT pursuant to Sections 90(1)(c)(k) 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 6:45pm.

CARRIED

13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING – *the meeting reconvened into open session at 8:08pm.*

14. NEXT MEETING

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, February 3, 2025 @ 5:30pm

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Armstrong that the meeting adjourn at 8:09pm

CARRIED

Acting Mayor Scott Kershaw

Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer