

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE
MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday, September 6, 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 Simpcw First Nation
within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.”*

Present: Mayor Ward Stamer
Councillor Judy Armstrong – *via zoom*
Councillor Al Fortin
Councillor Rob Kerslake
Councillor Scott Kershaw
Councillor Donna Kibble
Councillor Amanda Sabyan

Staff: Bob Payette, Chief Administrative Officer
Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer
Chelsea Young, Chief Financial Officer
Chris Matthews, Public Works Manager

Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7pm.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Sabyan
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake
That Council approve the September 6, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. Moved by Councillor Sabyan
Seconded by Councillor Fortin
That Council adopt the minutes of an August 15, 2022 Public Hearing & Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS - None Scheduled

4. BYLAWS and POLICIES - None scheduled.

5. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Provincial Wildfire Reserve – C. Young, Finance Officer

Moved by Councillor Fortin

Seconded by Councillor Sabyan

That Council approve the transfer of \$185,521.58 from general surplus to the Provincial Wildfire Reserve.

CARRIED

- b. Proposed Seal Coating of Yard Road – C. Matthews, Public Works Manager

After a review of the written report, staff reported a plan to install ‘No truck parking signs’ in this area with the plan to divert trucks to either park on the Crown lands on Airfield or along Station Rd. in response to the owner of the PetroCan communicating their plan to restrict commercial truck thru traffic to, and from, Yard Rd. on their property.

The Mayor called for any public comment on the matter and resident, Antoon Houben noted his belief that most of the trucks come in off the highway off of Station and when the highway side of Yard is full, there is often trucks facing North on the opposite side of the road. Councillor Sabyan stated she feels the District should support these trucks in being able to park wherever convenient as they provide an essential service to everyone.

It was agreed that planning discussions regarding parking on frontage roads continue in future meetings.

Moved by Councillor Sabyan

Seconded by Councillor Fortin

That Council approve the seal coating of the shoulder on the west side of Yard Road at the quoted price of \$7,207.20 to come from the General Surplus account for 2022.

CARRIED

- c. Artistic Map Rendering of Town of Barriere Discussion – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Moved by Councillor Sabyan

Seconded by Councillor Kerslake

That Council approve the expenditure of up to \$6000.00 from General Surplus for the commission of an artistic community map by artist, Jean-Louis Rheault, and; THAT any advertising revenue received for the project be used to offset the cost of the artwork and printed materials.

CARRIED

d. CAO Update – B. Payette, CAO

**Submitted for information*

The CAO provided an overview of the written report and added that the Skatepark Association has indicated a desire to add a small space for beginners/young children with a cost of approximately \$5,000. Staff will research funding options for that feature.

The Finance Officer reported that the District has received a Climate Action Charter grant in the amount just over \$55,000. The District has identified the Lions Hall/Community Hall as a suitable project for these funds. Staff will present a more detailed staff report on planned upgrades/repairs for the Hall in an upcoming Council Meeting.

CN has notified the District that it is running an exercise on Sept. 8th & 9th in Louis Creek and at the Bridge of the Thompson River.

6. **PROCLAMATIONS** - *None submitted.*

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

a. For Information

b. For Action - *None submitted.*

8. **COUNCIL REPORTS**

- a. Councillor Armstrong provided a verbal report on the following:
- Participated and Volunteered as a Judge for the NTFFRA Parade.

- b. Councillor Fortin provided a verbal report on the following:
- Attended the NTFFRA event.

- c. Councillor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:
- Volunteered at the NTFFRA event.

- d. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal report on the following:
- Volunteered with the Ambassador Program.
 - Participated and volunteered at the NTFFRA event.
 - Was contacted by a resident regarding starting a volleyball group. Staff replied that they are already in contact with that group.

- e. Councillor Sabyan provided a verbal report on the following:
- Attended the NTFFRA event.

9. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor provided a verbal report on the following:

- He was contacted by a number of news agencies surrounding the tragic incident

that occurred last week where there was a delay in ambulance service and is looking forward to speaking with BC Ambulance & the Minister of Health at next week's UBCM Convention.

- TNRD Board Meeting – Participated in the CAO Review

10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES – *none presented*

- a. Wim Houben – NTFFRA Shuttle driver complained that the sight lines were impacted by those parking along the road.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION – *none presented*

12. NEXT MEETING

- a. Regular Council Meeting – September 19, 2022 @ 7pm

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Kerslake that the meeting adjourn at 8:20p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor Ward Stamer

Bob Payette, CAO