

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

Held on Monday, April 3, 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 traditional lands we are meeting today.”*

Present: Mayor Ward Stamer
Councillor Scott Kershaw
Councillor Rob Kerlake
Councillor Donna Kibble
Councillor Louise Lodge
Councillor Colin McInnis – *via Zoom*

Regrets: Councillor Judy Armstrong

Staff: Bob Payette, Chief Administrative Officer
Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer
Chelsea Young, Finance Officer
Chris Matthews, Public Works Manager
Ashley Wohlgemuth, Fire Chief

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7pm.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A delegation request had been included in the Agenda package but not listed on the Agenda itself. Its inclusion was noted.

**Moved by Councillor Kerlake
Seconded by Councillor Kershaw**

That Council approve the April 3, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. Moved by Councillor Kibble
Seconded by Councillor Kerlake
That Council adopt the minutes of a March 20, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a. Barriere Minor Ball – Kevin Kershaw re: Ball Field Rental Fee Waiver Request

Council was reminded that the District and Barriere Minor Ball currently have a signed agreement in place regarding the waiving of fees in lieu of field maintenance being conducted by the Association. Due to a number of factors, staff recommended holding

off on this decision until a staff report outlining the various options, is brought back to Council for consideration at the next Council Meeting. Mr. Kershaw agreed to meet with staff prior to the next meeting to discuss next steps and various options.

4. BYLAWS and POLICIES

- a. DRAFT Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 230 – adoption

Moved by Councillor Kerlake

Seconded by Councillor Lodge

That Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 230 be adopted.

CARRIED

- b. DRAFT Traffic & Road Safety Bylaw No. 226 – 1st reading
**current Traffic Bylaw No. 0029 attached for reference*

Moved by Councillor McInnis

Seconded by Councillor Kershaw

That Traffic & Road Safety Bylaw No. 226 be given 1st reading.

CARRIED

5. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Tenure over Crown Land – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Moved by Councillor Lodge

Seconded by Councillor Kerlake

That Council agrees to acquire a Licence for the term of 30 years from the Province over the land That part of Lot 46, District Lot 1483, KDYD, Plan 1746, except 2.06 acre portion as described in Order in Council 2634/57 and containing 3.492 hectares, more or less, for the purposes of community outdoor recreation.

CARRIED

- b. Investments – C. Young, Finance Officer

Ms. Young provided an overview of the written report and noted a correction that should read “October” not “September”.

Moved by Councillor Kershaw

Seconded by Councillor Kerlake

That Council direct staff to invest up to \$300,000 into an 18-month term deposit at the new interest rate of 5.3%.

CARRIED

- c. Fire Report – A. Wohlgemuth, Fire Chief
**Submitted for information*

The Fire Chief provided an overview of the written report. She noted that the Playbook is now called the “BC Minimum Standards for Fire Fighters” and 1001 Certification is minimum. Barriere Fire members are currently in the process of achieving this accreditation.

Chief Wohlgemuth noted a correction on the report: 2023 Motor Vehicle incidents should read 0. It was suggested that the CVSE presence is helping in this regard.

The CAO reported that the TNRD has received a grant for Emergency Services and are in the process of hiring a Fire Smart Coordinator position for the region. This new coordinator will help Barriere, along with Area ‘O’, identify various areas.

- d. CAO Update – B. Payette, CAO
**Submitted for information*

The CAO provided an overview of the written report and noted that ETSI has been successful in receiving a 10 million dollar grant last week!

Chelsea Young, Finance Officer – left the meeting at 7:30pm

The Mayor offered congratulations to Bob Payette for his 15 years service pin award from the CMMA.

An update was requested regarding the District’s Noxious Weed plan for this year and it was noted to staff that Area “O” Director, Jill Hayward, is Chair of the TNRD Noxious Weed Committee. Staff will reach out to Director Hayward and report back.

6. PROCLAMATIONS – none submitted

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. For Information
- b. For Action
 - i. Rabbits BC re: Grant Application request in the amount of \$500

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake
Seconded by Councillor Lodge
That Council provide a grant in the amount of \$500.00 to Rabbits BC.**

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8. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal update on the following:
 - The Barriere Outdoor Club hosted the Grade 3 ski/walk about
 - Amazing Race Planning is underway
 - Participated in a Rec Committee Meeting
- b. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal update on the following:
 - Met with Dan Winiski, who presented at the last Council Meeting, regarding the Block Watch event.
 - Communities in Bloom planning is underway for the 2023 season.
- c. Councillor Kerslake provided a verbal update on the following:
 - Participated in an HY Louie Building working group regarding the initial planning stages since receiving the Provincial Grant. Those in attendance were members of staff as well as representatives from the Barriere & Area Chamber of Commerce.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor provided a verbal update on the following:

- In regard to the recent proposed changes to our Electoral Boundary, Barriere will remain with the Kamloops/North Thompson Valley, which is good news.
- Participated in a TRHD (Hospital Board) meeting and noted that 5.88 million dollars in funding is planned to improve and add operating rooms.
- Participated in various TNRD Board & Committee Meetings.
- Noted Mr. Keating's dashcam video of a logging truck unsafely passing on Hwy 5. Suggested Virtual Traffic Courts to expedite violation contesting process as the current procedure takes those officers off of the roads in order to travel to Kamloops Courts to attend hearings in person.
- Presented an idea for a Swap/Drop off to the organizers of the Flea Market.

10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- a. Al Fortin (of Barriere) – Photos show the vast amount of litter recently collected from the Overlander pull-out south of Exlou (in TNRD jurisdiction). *“This is the sort of thing that happens when truckers have nowhere to park and access washroom facilities. Will Council have a discussion on how to solve this issue?”*



It was answered that this sort of thing is a shame as there are a number of washroom opportunities along that stretch of highway and the amount of biohazardous material collected is outrageous. Council will mention this issue at this year's SILGA Convention.

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

12. **NEXT MEETING**

- a. Committee of the Whole Meeting, April 17, 2023 @ 6pm
- b. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, April 17, 2023 @ 7pm

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Kershaw that the meeting adjourn at 8:30pm

CARRIED

Mayor Ward Stamer

Bob Payette, CAO