

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE
MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7:00pm

Via audio-conference

*“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
Councillor Scott Kershaw
Councillor Al Fortin
Councillor Rob Kerslake
Councillor Donna Kibble
Councillor Amanda Sabyan

Staff: Bob Payette, Chief Administrative Officer
Chelsea Young, Finance Officer
Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer
Ian Crosson, Utilities Manager
Chris Matthews, Parks & Roads Manager

Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Mayor Stamer
Seconded by Councillor Fortin
That Council approve the June 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. Moved by Mayor Stamer
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake
That Council adopt the minutes of a June 7, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

None scheduled.

4. BYLAWS

- a. Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 205 – 1st, 2nd & 3rd readings
A bylaw amendment to reduce previously adjusted tiered water rates.

During the Committee of the Whole Meeting held immediately prior to this Regular

Council Meeting, Council re-examined the recent tiered water rate increase and its resulting impact on many of the community's commercial businesses. With water conservation continuing being a priority, Council agreed to reduce the tiered rates for commercial and residential rate payers with the plan to phase in rate increases annually in order to meet the goal of better reflecting the actual cost of service delivery.

Moved by Mayor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

THAT Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 205 be given 1st reading.

CARRIED

Moved by Mayor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

THAT Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 205 be given 2nd reading.

CARRIED

Moved by Mayor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

THAT Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 205 be given 3rd reading.

CARRIED

5. STAFF REPORTS

- a. 2020 Annual Report & 2020 Annual Water Report – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

The 2020 Annual Municipal & Water Reports were presented to Council for review. The Mayor called for comments or inquiries from any of the attending members of the public. No comments were presented.

Moved by Mayor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Kerlake

THAT Council accept the 2020 Annual Report and 2020 Annual Water Report as presented.

CARRIED

- b. Water Restrictions Update – B. Payette, CAO

The CAO provided a review of the written report that outlined the most recent update on PW1, PW3 and the Deep Wells. In addition, Council was provided recent water consumption volumes for the spring.

Moved by Mayor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Kerslake

THAT the District remain on Stage 2 Water Restrictions, including the recently added exception to temporarily permit hand-watering of lawns during the prescribed Stage 1 watering days/hours with the understanding that should the water system show signs of stress, that this exception will be removed immediately under the direction of the CAO as per Bylaw No. 189.

CARRIED

- c. Downtown Parkland Irrigation – C. Matthews, Parks & Roads Manager

Mr. Matthews provided an overview of the written report that outlines a more detailed cost estimate and work plan to utilize the Barriere River as a water source for park irrigation. Maps and specifications were reviewed. It was questioned as to if the planned backup power source was necessary at this time.

Moved by Councillor Kerslake

Seconded by Councillor Sabyan

THAT staff be directed to complete the installation for the downtown park irrigation system utilizing the approved Water License C032392 Point of Diversion amendment at a cost of up to \$40,000, minus the cost of a backup generator, with the funds coming Trans Mountain Pipeline Community Benefit funds.

CARRIED *w/Mayor Stamer opposed.*

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

The CAO provided an overview of the written update.

6. PROCLAMATIONS

None scheduled.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. For Information

- b. For Action

None submitted.

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. Councillor Armstrong reported attending the Barriere Senior Secondary Class of 2021 Grad Parade.

- b. Councillor Kibble reported attending the Barriere Farmer's Market where the TNRD has an Invasive Plant information table.

9. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor provided a verbal report that he has participated in three TRND Board and Committee Meetings where changes from BC Ambulance were discussed. There may be significant impacts to rural service levels.

10. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES**

- a. Alison Rilcoe – Suggested that Council consider other maintenance options, aside from grading, of Dixon Creek Road as, in her opinion, grading is insufficient.

11. **NOTICE OF MOTION**

None presented.

12. **NEXT MEETING**

- a. **Moved by Mayor Stamer**
Seconded by Councillor Kerlake
That a Special Council Meeting be scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6pm

CARRIED

- b. Regular Council Meeting – Monday, July 12th, 2021 @ 7pm

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Kerlake that the meeting adjourn at 8:58pm

CARRIED

Mayor Ward Stamer

Bob Payette, CAO