

District of Barriere

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: July 20, 2026	Agenda Item:
To: Council	From: Department Heads
Re: Departmental Updates	

CORPORATE:

Development:

Development Activity			
Construction Activity:	June	2026 YTD	2025
Total Building Permit Applications:	2	10	21
Total Construction Value:	\$425,000	\$1,582,325	\$3,291,020
Total Building Permits Finalized:	3	5	15 (since June)
Total Construction Value Finalized:	\$67,806.63	\$1,115,306.63	\$989,500

- Processed 2 Building Information Requests (BIR)
- Processed 2 Zoning Confirmation Requests

Agreements:

- Draft Men's Shed Lease Agreement for the Old Chamber Building – On Agenda for review.
- Cemetery Memorial Wall Agreement signed by Donor, Derek Stamer.

Bylaw Enforcement:

- Five (5) bylaw enforcement files were acted on in June.

2026 Local General Election (*October 17, 2026 – General Voting Day*):

- General Local Election information for Barriere is live on a dedicated “*2026 General Local Election*” page within the District's website: www.barriere.ca. A direct link can be found either within the green ribbon at the bottom of the home page, or under the ‘Mayor & Council’ tab. This information is helpful for both the general public as well as prospective candidates. A general timeline of important dates is attached.
- The pre-campaign period starts on July 20th. This means that as per legislation, all campaign advertising transmitted to the public between this date and General Voting Day must include an authorization statement with appropriate contact information. Prospective candidates are encouraged to contact Election BC directly regarding campaign financing regulations to ensure compliance.

Governance:

- Per Diem, Travel & Mileage Allowances Policy – on Agenda for review.
- Employee Recognition Policy - In progress
- 2025 Annual Report – In progress
- Officers and Delegation of Authority – In progress

Sessions/Meetings:

- Attended LGMA Conference in Penticton
- Attended Trans Mountain Information and Dinner Session

Recreation / Events:

- Canada Day was a huge success – One of the largest crowds we have had in recent years, even with the rain.
- July 10th was the first Bandshell Fridays with Music in the Park. Upcoming dates include July 24th - 90's night with Kiefer James and Darcy Adair, August 7th with Kamloops 3 piece band, Tight'er and August 28th with Jeremy Kneeshaw.
- The first Movies in the Park is upcoming on July 17th, showing *Hoppers*. Future movies include *How to Train Your Dragon* on July 31st and *Grease* with a costume contest on August 14th.
- No Bandshell Fridays on August 21st due to the RCMP Musical Ride which will be happening at the Fall Fair Grounds.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Operations:

Public Works			
	June	2026 YTD	2025
Potholes Filled:	TBA	93	195
Pavement Repairs:	TBA	2600	17499
Burials:	TBA	1	0
Cremations:	TBA	1	4
Deceased Animal Recovery:	TBA	1	4
After Hours Call Outs: Irrigation	TBA	0	4
Water Distribution			
	June	2026 YTD	2025
New Construction Service Connections:	0	0	5
Water Service On/Off Requests:	3	26	34
Interior Health Water Quality Tests:	15	75	148
Water Usage:	53624	212363	448356
Waterline Repairs:	0	4	7
After Hours Call Outs:	2	5	16
Wastewater Collection & Treatment			
	June	2026 YTD	2025
New Construction Service Connections:	0	0	6
Ministry of Environment Wastewater Tests:	9	44	84
After Hours Call Outs:	0	0	0
General			
	June	2026 YTD	2025
BC One Calls Supported:	5	25	42
Events Supported:	2	4	17

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Fire Department			
	June	2026 YTD	2025
Fire	1	12	23
Rescue / Motor Vehicle Incidents	2	15	15
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	0	5	4
Service Call / Public Assist	2	11	23
Fire Burning Complaint / Fire Investigation / Fire alarm	2	15	36
False Alarm	0	0	20
Total Calls	7	58	121
Public Education & Events	6	12	18
FireSmart Assessments	3	16	17
Fire Prevention / Fire Inspections	2	28	4

Fire Department:

- Chief attended the Fire Chief's Conference
- Meeting with Simpcw First Nation to discuss ongoing partnerships
- Fun-Day with the Elementary school
- Forestry Deployment to Lytton & Area
- Attended the Block Party on June 20th
- Barriere Firefighters Association assisted with the Canada Day event
- The Bushtruck pump broke down – Bushtruck pump back in service (faulty primer and wiring)

FireSmart:

- FireSmart Showcase property project underway
- Rebate Program has begun is closed, reviewing applications
- Second FireSmart Crew Member started June 30th
- Began fuel mitigation at Shallow Well
- Attended the Barriere Legion's 100th Birthday Party

Weather/Other:

- Entering the height of forest fire season:
 - Environment Canada and BCWS posted several publications of forecasted dry lightning across several locations of the Kamloops Fire Centre. BC Wildfire Service has strategically positioned crews, helicopters, and other resources throughout the Kamloops Fire Centre to ensure a rapid response to any new wildfire starts.
- Followed by a verbal report

FINANCE:

Financial Services			
	June	2026 YTD	2025
Cash Collected:	\$1,501,013	\$2,976,199	\$4,963,536
Cash Disbursed:	\$782,902	\$2,662,512	\$5,861,273

	June	2026 YTD	Project Total
ICIP Wastewater Treatment Grant Funds Received:	\$0	\$62,485	\$341,465

- With tax billing mailed out in May, June is typically the busiest month for financial transactions. As can be seen by the above results, cash collected exceeded cash disbursed this month.
- Cash disbursed is higher this month than usual, it should be noted that approximately \$506,000 of this total is WWTP expenses and an additional \$25,000 are Capital Project expenses.
- 2025 audit continues. We are anticipating being wrapped up towards the end of August early September.

2026 Local General Election Calendar – Important Dates



Date	Event	Legislation
Jan. 1, 2026	Election Period Begins	LECFA 10
Mar. 10, 2026	Last day to meet 6-month BC residency requirement for candidates seeking nomination	LGA 81(1)(c)
Aug. 10, 2026	Nomination Packages Available	Administrative
Sept. 1, 2026	Nomination Period Begins at 9:00 a.m.	LGA 84(1)
Sept. 11, 2026	Nomination Period Closes at 4:00 p.m. – All candidates who have submitted nominations are officially declared	LGA 84(1), 97(1)
Sept. 15, 2026	Challenge period for candidate nominations ends at 4:00 p.m.	LGA 91(2)
Sept. 18, 2026	Withdrawal of Candidate Deadline at 4:00 p.m.	LGA 98
Sept. 19, 2026	Campaign Period Begins	LECFA
Sept. 21, 2026	Chief Election Officer declares Election by Voting (or Acclamation) at 4:00 p.m.	LGA 98(2)
Oct. 3, 2026	Additional Advance Voting Opportunity (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.)	Election Bylaw
Oct. 7, 2026	Required Advance Voting Opportunity (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.)	LGA 107(1)
OCT. 17, 2026	GENERAL VOTING DAY (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.)	LGA 54
Oct. 17, 2026	CEO Announcement of Preliminary Election Results	LGA 144(1)
Oct. 21, 2026	Deadline for CEO Declaration of Official Election Results before 4:00 p.m.	LGA 146(1)
Nov. 9, 2026	Inaugural Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. - Ridge Gym	LGA / CC
Jan. 15, 2027	Campaign Financing Disclosure Statements Due	LECFA 47
Feb. 16, 2027	Late Filing Deadline (with \$500 fee due to Elections BC)	LECFA 47

- *Successful Candidates must be available for newly Elected Official training sessions (usually 2 sessions). Exact dates will be provided to all candidates soon after September 18th and confirmed to all successful candidates following the election. These dates typically are scheduled during the last week of October or first week of November prior to the Inaugural Meeting.*

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