

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE
MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday, November 5, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers at Municipal Hall
4936 Barriere Town Road, Barriere, B.C.

Present: Mayor Bill Humphreys
Councillor Bill Kershaw
Councillor Pat Paula
Councillor Amanda Sabyan
Councillor Ward Stamer
Councillor Glen Stanley

Regrets: Councillor Virginia Smith

Staff: Colleen Hannigan, Chief Administrative Officer
Nora Johnson, Chief Financial Officer
Tasha Buchanan, Executive Assistant

Mayor Humphreys called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Paula
Seconded by Councillor Stanley
That Council approve the November 5, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Moved by Councillor Stamer
Seconded by Councillor Paula
That Council adopt the minutes of an [October 15, 2012 Regular Council Meeting](#).

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Steve Shannon – Barriere Radio Station “The Bear” verbal update

(Note: Item 3.b. was heard prior to 3.a. while waiting for Mr. Shannon to arrive)

Mr. Shannon provided Council with an update as to where the radio station is in relation to returning to the air. Industry Canada has reported to Mr. Shannon that the technical report has been approved and accepted. However, the CRTC and Industry Canada haven’t been able to provide an estimated start-up date. He indicated his hope that the station will be back on air by Christmas, but stated it could be as late as April next year. Within the next update in the paper he may

include the CRTC toll-free number to be published, hoping that the public will help in fast tracking The Bear's application.

Steve Shannon reported to Council that the District's building the radio station operates from has no insulation in the crawl space. He proposed to insulate it and tape it to aid in a reduction of heat costs. He estimated the repair costs around \$130.00 for materials which does not include labour.

In addition, he noted that the parking lot of the building and the adjacent Fire Hall creates a dust problem inside the building. He proposed to acquire ¾" crush in order to help keep the dust in control with an estimated cost around \$1,000.00. Mr. Shannon suggested that in lieu of rent for December 2012 and January 2013 he could pay and arrange for these necessary repairs himself, if Council agreed.

Councillor Stanley noted his concern that gravel crush may not provide the solution to the dust problem. Councillor Stamer agreed and also made note that with the planned construction of the reclamation center in that area, other solutions may need to be explored at that time.

Moved by Councillor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Paula

That a rent-free grace period of a further six months be provided to Steve Shannon with respect to his lease on the old BID Building located on Barriere Town Road.

CARRIED

- b. Barriere Recreation Society (Curling Club) - Brian Bondar, President
[re: Grant-in-Aid request of \\$500](#)

Mr. Eberts, Barriere Curling Club's Vice-President, provided Council with an overview of the Society's activities within Barriere over the past year. He noted that the costs incurred with the start-up of the facility ice plant was greater than expected and distributed a copy of an invoice just for the freon.

Staff noted that the current funds remaining in the Grant-in-Aid budget line sits at \$250.00 and if Council wished to grant the request for the full \$500.00, the Administration's Public Relations line item could make up the additional \$250.00 to fulfill the request.

Moved by Councillor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Kershaw

That Barriere Recreation Society (Curling Club) be awarded a \$500 Grant-in-Aid donation to partially off-set their facility's ice plant start-up costs.

CARRIED

4. BYLAWS AND POLICIES

- a. [PUBLIC HEARING](#) – Gilbert Smith Forest Products Road Closure Bylaw No. 98

Councillor Stanley stated a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

**Moved by Councillor Stamer
Seconded by Councillor Sabyan
That Council convene into a Public Hearing at 7:25p.m.**

CARRIED

Mayor Humphreys called the Public Hearing to order at 7:25p.m.

The Chief Administrative Officer provided a brief overview of the proposed bylaw.

It was noted that Gilbert Smith has also agreed to provide landscaping along Connor Road and will continue to maintain the trail for public access.

i. Mr. Thorne commented the following:

- Currently the Trail contains a blockage which causes a safety issue. Staff noted that that this issue will be addressed.
- Felt the map in the legal notice in the paper was too small.

The Mayor called a total of three times for comments from the public. Seeing and hearing no more comments from the public, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:34p.m.

**Moved by Councillor Kershaw
Seconded by Councillor Paula
That the November 5, 2012 Public Hearing adjourn and reconvene to Regular Council at 7:34p.m.**

CARRIED

- b. [District of Barriere Road Closure Bylaw No. 98](#) – second and third readings.

**Moved by Councillor Sabyan
Seconded by Councillor Paula
That District of Barriere Road Closure Bylaw No. 98 be given second reading.**

CARRIED

**Moved by Councillor Sabyan
Seconded by Councillor Paula
That District of Barriere Road Closure Bylaw No. 98 be given third reading.**

CARRIED

Councillor Stanley re-entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

5. STAFF REPORTS

a. [Wastewater Statutory Right of Way Application](#) – C. Hannigan, CAO

Ms. Hannigan reported that as a result of the engineering around the requirements for the wastewater collection system through the downtown core, including pipe depths, it has been determined an application for a Statutory Right-of-Way (SRW) over the Crown Lands laying to the east of and along Airfield Rd. should be applied for.

It was inquired as to the requirements for the temporary Heli-Pad and suggested those requirements are kept in mind when planning the collection system.

Moved by Councillor Kershaw

Seconded by Councillor Stamer

THAT Council endorse the submission of the SRW application to FrontCounterBC over part of Lots 34, 35, 36 and 37, Plan1746 for that portion of the required wastewater collection system, as shown generally on the attached site plan.

CARRIED

b. [CAO Report](#) - C.Hannigan, CAO

Bandshell Washrooms: The washrooms at the Bandshell are now closed for the season. Staff are preparing an estimate of the cost to insulate and heat them for the upcoming 2013 Budget discussions.

Downtown Planters: One exposed aggregate planter located at the corner of Barkley and Barriere Town Rd. was smashed by vandals this past week. Councillor Kershaw suggested the other one be removed for the winter and brought back into service at planting time next spring. It has since been removed to the compound for safe keeping until then.

Signage: After discussion with local Canada Post personnel, it was agreed that the Handicapped Parking space by the Post Office would be moved around the corner on to Salle Rd. Staff will be painting parking space lines as weather permits.

It was suggested that the Post Office add an additional Handicap space alongside the building.

Parks Analysis: The regular summer parks' season has now wrapped up for this year. In order for a comparison between status quo and contracting out some of the parks' function in the future, specifically mowing-related activities, staff are intending to issue a request for quotes based on cutting standards, area involved and approximate time allotments. Once responses have been received a report will be brought back to Council with recommendations for the 2013 budget.

Lower North Thompson Tourism Society (LNTTS): The LNTTS held their first AGM on Oct 23rd. The application for the 2% Municipal and Regional District Tax (MRDT)

that accommodation providers in the District of Barriere and Areas O & P(excluding the South Thompson Inn who previously opted to participate in the 2% tax with Tourism Kamloops) has been submitted with letters of support from the District and TNRD. It is estimated that approximately \$30,000 may be raised through this tax to go towards tourism marketing in the Lower North Thompson. LNTTS hopes that together with continued contributions from the District and TNRD of another \$24,500 (currently going to the Chamber of Commerce for tourism initiatives), that this will strengthen our presence both regionally and globally. The Chamber will continue to provide tourism services under contract with the LNTTS.

Ms. Hannigan also reported that the large Stop sign located at the Barriere Lakes Road and Barriere Town Road intersection was stolen over the weekend.

**Moved by Councillor Stamer
Seconded by Councillor Stanley
THAT the report be accepted for information.**

CARRIED

6. PROCLAMATIONS

No Proclamations scheduled to be read.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

a. For Information

- i. *General correspondence for [Council's information package](#) is available online for public review under the corresponding meeting agenda folder.*

**Moved by Councillor Paula
Seconded by Councillor Sabyan
That the Council correspondence for information be accepted for information.**

CARRIED

b. For Action

No correspondence items for action submitted.

8. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- i. Councillor Stanley provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Attended the Halloween Fireworks and helped by working the concession. He thanked Rosie Humphreys, Colleen Hannigan, Councillor Kershaw, Steve Shannon and counterpart, Robin Wilson, Bill Fowler and the Barriere Fire Department

- ii. Councillor Sabyan provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Attended a Success by Six meeting on Sept. 16, 2012
 - Attended a Community Safety Meeting

- iii. Councillor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Has spent a good deal of time talking to residents about the four-way stop and traffic diversions. Suggested that the 2009 plan diagram from the Barriere Town Rd. Revitalization Plan be put on a sign and put on the fence at the Post Office or at a location that the Post Office is agreeable to. Staff noted that the diagram being referred to has been placed on the District's website.

9. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor provided a verbal report on the following:

- Chief Matthew called a meeting with the Mayors of the Valley and the TNRD Area Directors October 16, 2012.
- He and Councillor Paula and Councillor Kershaw met with Minister Bennett at the AgriPlex October 18, 2012.
- Met with Minister Sultan on October 18, 2012 who indicated he would be willing to visit Barriere before Christmas.
- Participated in the Annual General Meeting of the North Thompson Tourism Society October 23, 2012.
- Attended a TNRD Workshop re: Dangerous Dog Bylaw which is going back to a working group within the TNRD for continued changes.
- Attended an Environmental Assessment Meeting re: Yellowhead Mines.

10. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES**

- i. Corporal Underhill – Golf Tournament Funding Available for Youth Initiatives. Come to the Police Station and get an application form.

Corporal Underhill will provide an RCMP report for the next Regular Council Meeting.

- ii. Margaret Houben inquired as to the Success by Six Breakfast with Santa. Councillor Sabyan suggested that Adrian Gordon be contacted for more information.

- iii. Mr. Thorne – Expressed this opinion that the Handicap parking sign at the Post Office is too small. Councillor Paula suggested painting color coded lines for Handicap parking.

11. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Remembrance Day – Wreath Placement

Councillor Paula will be placing the wreath on behalf of the District at the Barriere and Councillor Kershaw volunteered to place the wreath on behalf of Cathy McLeod MP at this year's Remembrance Day Ceremony.

- b. Councillor Paula reported that she has become aware that Interior Health has recently cut staffing of the Barriere Laboratory within the Medical Clinic by one position. She noted that currently, the approximate wait time for a lab appointment is one week to ten days and there is no time based appointment given to patients.

General discussion surrounding the negative effects of this change was discussed.

Moved by Councillor Paula

Seconded by Councillor Sabyan

That a letter be sent to Interior Health outlining concern for its recent decision to cut Barriere's Medical Laboratory down by one staff position; asking it to reconsider by outlining the negative effect such a decision will have on Barriere and area patients.

CARRIED

12. NEXT MEETING

Monday November 19, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.

Tickets available at a cost of \$20 at Insight Tire for the Premier's visit in Clearwater November 9th, 2012 at 11:30am.

Minister Letnick, Ministry of Agriculture, will be touring the Agri-Plex at 3:30pm November 9th, 2012.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Stamer that the meeting adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Original signed by, _____
Mayor Bill Humphreys

Original signed by, _____
Colleen Hannigan, CAO