

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

Held on Monday, February 26, 2024 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 Councillor Scott Kershaw Councillor Rob Kerslake Councillor Louise Lodge Councillor Colin McInnis
Regrets:	Councillor Donna Kibble
Staff:	Tasha Buchanan, Acting CAO Chelsea Young, Finance Officer Jamie Mosdell, Recreation Coordinator

*Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7:12pm*

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake  
Seconded by Councillor Lodge  
That Council approve the February 26, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.**

**CARRIED**

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was noted that Councillor Kibble was Acting Mayor.

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake  
Seconded by Councillor Armstrong  
That Council adopt the minutes of a February 12, 2024, Regular Council Meeting  
as amended.**

**CARRIED**

**3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS – *none scheduled***

**4. BYLAWS and POLICIES**

- a. Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 238 – adoption.

**Moved by Councillor Lodge  
Seconded by Councillor Armstrong  
THAT the Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 73, Amendment Bylaw No. 238 be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

## 5. STAFF REPORTS

- a. CEPF Grant Application Submission (March 2024 Intake) – D. Underwood, TRUE Consulting

Engineer, Dave Underwood, provided an overview of the updated Flood Mapping project that was recently completed by TRUE Consulting and noted that the next planned step is for the development of a comprehensive Flood Mitigation Plan. Funding is available from the Province for this project and a resolution from Council is required.

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake**

**Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**THAT Council direct staff to submit an application for grant funding of up to \$150,000 to prepare a Flood Mitigation Plan through the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (March 2024 intake); and; THAT Council seek a letter of support from Simpcw First Nation to accompany this grant application.**

**CARRIED**

- b. LGDAP Grant Application Submission (2024 intake) – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

Ms. Buchanan explained the LGDAP grant application and TRUE Consulting confirmed they are pleased to offer assistance in the submission at no charge.

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**THAT Council direct staff to submit an application for grant funding of up to \$150,000 to improve development approvals processes through the Local Government Development Approvals Program (2024 intake).**

**CARRIED**

- c. TNRD Solid Waste Collection Changes & Proposed Equipment Purchase – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

Ms. Buchanan provided an overview of the TNRD's Solid Waste Collection changes, and it was recommended that Council first determine what possible solutions, if any, that the community would like for the District undertake. The proposed equipment purchase will be tabled until feedback from the community is received.

- d. TNRD Municipal GIS Service Proposal – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

Ms. Buchanan summarized the proposal as reported at the last regular Council Meeting.

**Moved by Mayor Stamer**

**Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**THAT Council enter into the proposed GIS Service Agreement with the TNRD in the amount of \$12,000 for a five year term contract with funds to come from the Next-Gen 911 grant that was provided by the Province to all municipal governments in order to meet the 2025 Provincial Next-Gen 911 program deadline.**

e. CAO Update – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

The Acting CAO provided an overview of the written report.

6. **PROCLAMATIONS** – *none submitted*

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

a. For Information

i. For Action - none submitted

8. **COUNCIL REPORTS**

a. Councillor McInnis provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at Family Fun Night.

b. Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at Family Fun Night.

c. Councillor Armstrong provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at Family Fun Night
- Attended Masquerade Ball Fundraiser event.

d. Councillor Kerslake provided a verbal report on the following:

- The BBC renovation is moving along well.

9. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor provided a verbal report on the following:

- Participated in a number of TNRD Committee meetings via zoom.
- Along with staff, participated in a meeting with MOTI – Positive conversation discussions about possible future upgrades.
- Met with Interior Health – Doctor is still confirmed for the end of March.
- A Drought Management Engagement Session has been announced by the Province to be hosted at the Agriplex on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

10. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES** – *none presented.*

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

**12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved by Councillor Armstrong  
Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**That pursuant to Section 90(1)(k) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and required staff be excluded from the meeting and that Council continues the meeting in closed session to discuss confidential matters at 9:22pm**

**CARRIED**

**13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING**

*The meeting reconvened into open session at 9:48pm*

**15. NEXT MEETING**

- a. Regular Council Meeting & 2024 Budget Review – Monday, March 11, 2024 @ 7pm

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councillor that the meeting adjourn at 9:52pm**

**CARRIED**

Original signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Ward Stamer

Original signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
Tasha Buchanan, Acting CAO