

District of Barriere

REPORT TO COUNCIL

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To: Council	From: Bob Payette, CAO
Re: Administrative Updates	

CAO UPDATE:

Community Relations:

- The Chamber of Commerce Board has agreed to partner with the District on the animated map project.
- The District participated with a booth at the Interior Savings Movie Night held at the curling club. Staff were on hand to answer resident questions regarding the District of Barriere from garbage/recycling collection, to recreation, to the upcoming local election and everything in between.
- Attended the 2022 UBCM Convention in Whistler with Mayor Stamer, Councillor Fortin and Councillor Kerslake.

Development Projects:

- Voyageur Country Wilderness Estates at Dixon Creek Rd Development DL 57 & DL 570 - Mr. Delaney has indicated the development process is still on hold.
- Charge North Level 2 EV Charging Station continues to move along through the project management stages. They are hoping to start construction by end September and have the unit installed by this fall - still on target.
- The Leonie Creek Dam review continues with TRUE Engineering.
- LCIP Water Reservoir Project - The purchase is underway, awaiting the review the funding available from TRUE and at that point consider the remaining buildout of the water system.

Public Works:

Roads

- Installed new crosswalk at Barriere elementary school.
- Implemented new 30km/hr school speed zone signage for Barriere secondary school. RCMP have been notified of this completion.

Parks

- Skatepark construction is ongoing – two concrete pours completed thus far



- Construction of the new warming hut/washrooms is underway. Removed the old building, civil work including water and sewer tie-ins to be done this week.
- Planning to plant more trees this week in strategic locations

Utilities

- Completed two new water connections for residences.
- Fire hydrant testing completed on all hydrants within the fire service area with positive results.
- Repaired three damaged I.C. chambers - new lids, bricks boxes and removed rocks, asphalt from piping in right of way between Lilly Rd. and Kamloops Rd.
- Experienced no significant water or sewer increase over Fall Fair weekend but noticing an increase in daily flows at SAWRC from 120m³ per day to approaching 200m³ per day.
- New drain system installed at SAWRC to aid in the ease of routine cleaning multiple filters. Completed quarterly monitoring well sampled at SAWRC and Riverwalk disposal fields.
- DW#3 and PLC functioned very well throughout the summer irrigation season at 500gpm (32 lps). Now approx 1200m³ daily water consumption per day down from 2000+ per day.

FINANCE OFFICER:

- Participated in a municipal facility and infrastructure tour last week with representatives from the Municipal Insurance Association. The resulting report will be provided to Council once prepared and obtained by staff.
- The four-year Permissive Tax Exemption bylaws will be presented to Council at the October 3rd Council Meeting for their three readings with adoption consideration scheduled for October 17th.

CORPORATE OFFICER:

- Due to inclement weather on Friday, Interior Savings moved the movie night venue from the ballfield to the Curling Rink. The District sponsored bouncy castle was set up indoors and a booth was hosted by staff for resident inquiries prior to the movie. There were 19 community groups/organizations participating in the event; providing community information to those in attendance.
- The legislated Notice of Election by Voting has been released. There is a total of 13 officially declared Council candidates. There will be no Mayoral race as Mayor Ward Stamer has been acclaimed. There is no election taking place for the TNRD (Jill Hayward, Area 'O' Director) or for SD73 (Rhonda Kershaw, Barriere & area Trustee) as both positions are acclaimed.
- A very important orientation session, tailored to our organization, will take place at the end of October with a date to be confirmed shortly. A broader orientation with keynote speakers relating to best practices relating to public communication, conflicts of interest, role overviews, etc. will take place in Kamloops on November 4th which is hosted by the TNRD. It is important that all candidates, newly elected and incumbents, attend both sessions.
- Planning is underway for the Inaugural Council Meeting scheduled for November 7, 2022 @ 7pm in the gymnasium of the Ridge.

**submitted for information*

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