

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE
MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:00pm
In the Council Chambers at Municipal Hall
4936 Barriere Town Road, Barriere, B.C.

Present: Mayor Ward Stamer
Councillor Judy Armstrong
Councillor Al Fortin
Councillor Scott Kershaw
Councillor Rob Kerslake
Councillor Donna Kibble

Regrets: Councillor Amanda Sabyan

Staff: Colleen Hannigan, Chief Administrative Officer
Nora Johnson, Finance Officer
Tasha Buchanan, Deputy Corporate Officer
Chelsea Young, Deputy Finance Officer

Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kerslake
Seconded by Councillor Fortin
That Council approve the February 19, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Moved by Councillor Fortin
Seconded by Councillor Kerslake
That Council adopt the Minutes of the February 4, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

None Scheduled

4. BYLAWS AND POLICIES

None scheduled.

5. STAFF REPORTS

a. Roads Contract Extension & Shouldering – D. Doherty, Parks & Roads Manager

The Roads Manager reported that the District is currently in the last season of its Winter Road Maintenance Contract with our current service provider, Defiance Enterprise Inc. There is an option to extend the contract for a further two years upon mutual agreement and the District's current contractor is amenable to extend the existing Winter Road Maintenance contract for a further two years.

Moved by Councillor Fortin

Seconded by Councillor Kershaw

That Council approve the optional two year contract extension for Winter Road Maintenance between the District of Barriere and Defiance Enterprise Inc. and direct the Mayor and CAO to sign the extension agreement.

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b. PNP Entrepreneur Immigration Pilot Program – T. Buchanan, DCO

It was reported that this program is open to communities having less than 75,000 in population and at least 35km away from a larger center. Eligible entrepreneur applicants wishing to immigrate to a participating BC community, must have a net worth of at least \$300,000 and be willing to start a new business in the community with a minimum investment of \$100,000 and hire an equivalent of at least 1 FTE (a member of their family does not count towards the FTE). Staff have been through the required no-fee training along with the Barriere Chamber President and have met with community stakeholders that are willing to participate as a Committee in applicant selection, tour hosting and support for any applicants (and their families) wishing to call Barriere their new home.

The Program requires communities to choose three categories from a select list of business types that the community would most support/benefit from via an immigrant entrepreneur. Through lengthy discussion, the Committee is recommending these three categories:

- 321 Wood product manufacturing
- 541 Professional, scientific and technical services
- 713 Amusement, gambling and recreation industries.

Moved by Councillor Kerlake

Seconded by Councillor Fortin

That Council approve the 3 NAICS Categories as indicated in the report and authorize the CAO to formally enroll in the BC PNP Entrepreneur Immigration Regional Pilot Program.

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c **CAO Update** – C. Hannigan, CAO

Emergency Operations Centre Training: The EOC Operational tabletop exercise for staff is being held Friday March 1st here at the Ridge

Well Update: The Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) at our main Deep Well #2 failed last week impacting the associated flow meter and shutting down the well. The repair in the vault itself will be under \$10,000 however installing an acceptable safety feature for this confined space is being researched by the District's WorkSafe consultant and our engineer and the cost is yet undetermined. The new Bradford DW#1 is handling the load under the close supervision of staff who are collecting data as part of the long term licence requirements for the new wells.

Procurement Case of the Year: Paul Emanuelli, Managing Director of The Procurement Office, a legal firm that practices and trains others in procurement law in Canada and the US, has chosen through the voting of the membership, Murray Purcha & Son Ltd v. Barriere (District) as the winner of their 2019 Global Case of the Year.

RecycleBC Collectors Conference: Scheduled for April 8 and 9 in New Westminster with a member of staff scheduled to attend.

CAO Forum: This year's conference was held in Kelowna with over 70 CAOs from across BC in attendance.

Boundary Extension Meeting with Simpcw First Nation: A Council to Council meeting has been scheduled for Monday March 11, 2019 at 3:30pm in Chu Chua to discuss their objection to the Boundary Extension request to include DL 57 (part of Armour Mountain) Councillors Fortin, Kibble, Armstrong, Kerslake, and the Mayor will attend.

Ongoing Action Tracking: An Action Tracking spreadsheet will be attached to the CAO Update report going forward. Items being tracked are those carried by resolution/motion of Council, are a separate capital project or, are identified in the approved Council Strategic Plan.

Moved by Councillor Fortin

Seconded by Councillor Kershaw

That the Siska wastewater tank damage issue be added to the Project portion of the action tracking log sheet going forward.

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SILGA Resolutions:

Moved by Councillor Fortin

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

That the following resolution be sent forward to the 2019 SILGA Convention for consideration:

Whereas the current formulas used to calculate provincial court costs awarded to the successful party appear not to reflect actual legal costs and,

Whereas the party being taken to court does not have a choice in the matter other than to participate in litigation or settle on a matter; and,

Whereas some matters before the courts, such a judicial reviews, are not covered by normal municipal insurance policies; and,

Whereas small municipalities do not have the capacity to pay for an extensive court case which can often include an appeal to a higher court:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM lobby the provincial government to review and amend the formulas used by the Courts to determine the final Bill of Costs to be awarded to successful litigants.

CARRIED

6. PROCLAMATIONS

None submitted.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

a. For Information

b. For Action

i. Charge North – EV Charging Station Funding for Local Governments

The CAO reported that in speaking with Janice Keyes today, that there is also an EV app for drivers to see what stations are open and not currently in use.

Under this program, which has a deadline of February 25th, the cost of \$5000 for each Level 2 station includes 5 years of maintenance being covered. This cost is substantially less under this program which has a deadline of February 28, 2019, than what the cost for a station would be outside of the program.

Moved by Councillor Kerslake

Seconded by Councillor Kibble

That Council approve up to \$5000 in funding for the installation of one or two Level Two Electric Vehicle Charging Stations with the funds coming from General Surplus.

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ii. Rural Coordination Centre (RCC) BC Site Visit Project

8. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- a. Councillor Armstrong reported that she volunteered for the Family Fun Night.
- b. Councillor Fortin reported that he volunteered for the Family Fun Night.
- c. Councillor Kershaw attended the Family Day hosted at the AgriPlex.
- d. Councillor Kerslake attended the Barriere Boys Basketball Tournament
- e. Councillor Kibble reported that she volunteered for the Family Fun Night.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT *(verbal)*

The Mayor provided a verbal report on the following:

- Met with YCS re: affordable housing with the DCO
- Toured the Thompson Rivers University's new 32 million dollar Trades and Technology Building
- Attended a TNRD Board Meeting – Free Dump Day is scheduled for the 1st weekend in May
- Attended a TNRD Committee of the Whole Meeting
- Volunteered at the Family Fun Night event.

10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- a. Margaret Houben – Invited Council and the public to the Mad Hatter's Tea Party on March 9th, 2019 at 11am which will be hosted at the Senior's Centre.
- b. Dustin Doherty – Barriere Winter Bash fundraiser for the Skate Park and Big Barriere Block Party on February 23, 2019 at 6pm.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

None presented.

12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Fortin

Seconded by Councillor Kerslake

That Council reconvene into Closed Session at 8:15pm

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13. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

The following resolutions were brought forth into the Open Session:

- a. **That Council authorize the School District to rent, at no charge, a classroom space within the Ridge for the purpose of facilitating the Barriere Secondary School's Alternate Education Program scheduled for 8am to 11am Monday to Thursday.**

- b. **That the 2019 Strategic Plan be approved as presented and made publically available on the District website.**
- c. **That the District grant \$6,500 to NTACS to support the development of recreational activities for the community for a term ending December 31, 2019; and further,**

That Council authorize \$1,500 from General Surplus to be put in the District Admin budget to support and enhance event work.

14. NEXT MEETING

- a. Regular Council Meeting – Monday March 4, 2019 @ 7pm

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Kerslake that the meeting adjourn at 8:36pm.

CARRIED

Mayor Ward Stamer

Colleen Hannigan, CAO