

District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b> August 18, 2025	
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Department Heads
<b>Re: Departmental Updates</b>	

## PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER:

Operations			
Public Works			
	July	2025 YTD	2024
Potholes Filled	30	60	130
Pavement Repairs (ft2)	100	13928	17657
Burials	0	0	1
Cremations	0	4	7
Vandalism/Graffiti/Break-ins	3	15	n/a
Deceased Animal Recovery	0	1	4
After Hours Call Outs	1	3	n/a
Water Distribution			
	July	2025 YTD	2024
New Construction Service Connections	1	1	4
Water Service On/Off Request			33
Interior Health Water Quality Tests	12	84	156
Water Useage	57051	285884	441,825
Waterline Repairs	1	3	6
After Hours Call Outs	4	12	~15
Wastewater Collection & Treatment			
	July	2025 YTD	2024
New Construction Service Connections	0	0	5
Ministry of Environment Wastewater Tests	7	49	84
After Hours Call Outs	0	0	0
General			
	July	2025 YTD	2024
BC One Calls Supported	4	24	31
Events Supported	4	9	5

- Finalized 1-year extension agreement for winter road maintenance services with JDV Lot Restoration.
- Purchased & received 10 garbage dumpsters.
- July water consumption decreased by 4000m3.
- LCIP watermain extension Phase 3 project started August 11.

### **FIRE CHIEF:**

Fire Department			
Calls	July	2025 YTD	2024
Fire	2	18	44
Rescue / Motor Vehicle Incidents	0	8	9
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	0	1	1
Service Call / Public Assist	1	14	18
Fire Burning Complaint / Fire Investiagtion	6	15	18
False Alarm	0	16	11
<b>Total</b>	9	72	101
Public Education & Events	2	11	2
FireSmart Assessments	10	15	2
Fire Prevention / Fire Inspections	2	11	0

### **Fire Department Updates:**

- 4 Day Day Deployment: Nazko (\$15,503 before expenses for 37 hours worked)
- Architect Awarded For Firehall Project: Steven Shamchuk - Iterate Architecture
- Discussion with TNRD: Re: Fire Protection Boundaries & Contract taking place late August
- Discussion with Simpcw Re: Fire Department Mutual Aid and Service Agreement

### **FireSmart:**

- FireSmart Salary Funding Extended
- CWRP under review - Spatial Review

### **Weather:**

- Verbal update at the meeting.

## **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:**

### **Finance:**

Financial Services			
	July	2025 YTD	2024
Cash Collected	\$ 1,224,453	\$ 3,987,534	\$ 4,613,799
Cash Disbursed	\$ 1,396,088	\$ 3,877,220	\$ 5,507,994
ICIP Wastewater Treatment Grant Funds Received	\$22,803	\$ 208,821	

- Cash disbursed this month includes remittances for School Tax, Police Tax and Hospital Tax totaling \$771,389.
- Tax Sale is fast approaching. Registered letters have been sent out to 8 property owners. Staff have been able to connect with 3 owners via email and expect payments on these properties in August. Total delinquencies excluding accrued daily interest are currently \$19,304.
- As of July 31<sup>st</sup>, outstanding taxes total \$399,435 This total includes current, arrears and delinquent amounts.

## **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:**

### **Development:**

Development Activity			
<b>Construction Activity:</b>	July	2025 YTD	2024
Total Building Permit Applications:	1	11	
Total Construction Value:	\$42,000	\$1,577,325	

- 1 new building permit to move a mobile home onto a property along with an addition.
- We added construction values for commercial properties into the total year to date amounts.

### **Governance:**

- Agreements / Contracts:
  - TNRD – Structure Fire Protection Service Agreement – in progress
- Policies / Bylaws:
  - Reserve Bylaw structure – included as separate item on this agenda.
  - Working on Water Bylaw, Wastewater Bylaw, Solid Waste Bylaw, and Streetlighting Bylaw review
  - OCP Refresh Update draft – awaiting feedback from consultant
  - Tangible Capital Assets (TCA) Policy will be worked on over the next few months.

**Administration:**

- Along with the Fire Chief and Public Works manager, met with consultant team regarding the potential fire hall retrofit. Due to funding deadline of September 12, Council may need to hold a special meeting late August or early September to consider providing approval for the Strategic Priorities Fund grant application.
- Reviewing statistics for District Office visitations by the public. Anticipating a report for the September or October meeting.
- 12 hour BC Hydro Power Outage is scheduled for September 14.

*\*submitted for information*