

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

Held on Monday, May 27, 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: Councillor Scott Kershaw - Acting Mayor
Councillor Judy Armstrong
Councillor Rob Kerslake
Councillor Donna Kibble
Councillor Louise Lodge
Councillor Colin McInnis

Regrets: Mayor Ward Stamer

Staff: Tasha Buchanan, Acting CAO
Chris Matthews, Public Works Manager

Acting Mayor Kershaw called the meeting to order at 7pm.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kerslake
Seconded by Councillor Armstrong
That Council approve the May 27, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. Moved by Councillor Kibble
Seconded by Councillor McInnis
That Council adopt the minutes of May 13, 2024, Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a. Harry Waldren – Barriere Trails Society Introduction

Mr. Waldren provided an overview of the newly formed ‘Barriere Trails Society’ and reported that private property owner, Ben Theissen, has created a public trail on his property (portion of Glentanna Ridge) in partnership with their Society. He inquired if Council will reconsider its decision to not pursue the development of the rest of the Glentanna Ridge trail at this time. Council reiterated its reasons for delaying the project which include: lack of resources, funds, the majority of the established deer trail being on private property and the ownership of such expressing no interest in establishing a public trail on their property, expense of engineering to protect the slope and properties below

on Siska, and access issues for construction. It was suggested that the Society consider putting its resources either into enhancing already established municipal trails or other trail systems outside of the municipal boundary for the time being.

4. **BYLAWS and POLICIES** – *none scheduled*

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

- a. Development Permit Application DP-24-01 Cool Creek – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

Moved by Councillor Lodge

Seconded by Councillor Kibble

THAT the approval of Development Permit No. DP-24-01 Cool Creek for 5114 Barriere Town Road, be subject to any traffic flow amendments that may be requested by MOTI in order to mitigate any traffic impacts to Highway 5 prior to the registration of the approved Development Permit.

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- b. Error – Collection of TNRD Property Tax & 2024 Remittance – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

It was reported that the amounts collected to be remitted to the TNRD and Regional Hospital District were calculated incorrectly and a correction is required.

Moved by Councillor McInnis

Seconded by Councillor Kerlake

THAT the shortfall of the 2024 annual property tax collected by the District on behalf of the TNRD and Thompson Regional Hospital District in the amount totaling \$4,442.24 be covered by General Surplus.

CARRIED

- c. CAO Update – T. Buchanan, Acting CAO

**Submitted for information*

The Acting CAO provided an overview of the written report.

Moved by Councillor McInnis

Seconded by Councillor Lodge

That the District of Barriere applies for \$15,000 in funding in partnership with the TNRD, under the 2024 Infrastructure Planning Grant for the design of a LCIP Bulk Water Station; and THAT Council approve the required applicant contribution in the amount of \$2,500 with the funds provided by LCIP Surplus.

CARRIED

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

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. For Information – *none submitted*
- b. For Action
 - i. Sheep Breeders Association – Request for Sponsorship

Moved by Councillor Kibble

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

That Council purchase the Silver Corporate Sponsorship in the amount of \$500.00 for the 2024 Western Canadian Future Shepards in Barriere, BC event.

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8. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Attended Hockey Night in the Park
 - Reminded everyone of the BBC Grand Opening - June 21, 2024 @ 3pm
- b. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal report on the following:
 - The Barriere Museum is preparing a fundraiser and a number of public events are planned.
- c. Councillor Kerslake provided a verbal report on the following:
 - BBC update: All interior doors have been stained and installed. All exterior steel doors have been installed and painted. Windowsills have been installed and stained. Fire alarm and security systems have been completed and tested. Interior signage received and all exterior painting has been completed by Councillor McInnis. Tenant leases are in place for June 1st, 2024.
- d. Councillor Armstrong provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Attended the Hockey Night in the Park event

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Acting Mayor, Councillor Kershaw, provided a verbal report on the following:

- Attended the BC Keeping It Rural Summit in Kelowna

10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- a. Guy Harrison – 457 Siska
Re: Ridge Trail – Engineering factor of that trail development is substantial to the taxpayer and poses a significant impact to residents whose property backs onto that ridge. Stated that he would like the volunteers, including the trail society, be asked to cease works on the hillside. His direct neighbours in attendance voiced their agreement.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION (*none presented*)

12. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor McInnis

Seconded by Councillor Kerslake

That Pursuant to Sections 90(1)(c) 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 8:30p.m.

CARRIED

13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The meeting reconvened into open session at 8:53p.m

14. NEXT MEETING

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, June 10, 2024 @ 7pm

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Kerslake that the meeting adjourn at 8:53p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor Ward Stamer

T. Buchanan, Acting CAO