

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday February 8, 2021 at 5:15pm
Via audio-conference

Present: Mayor Ward Stamer
Councillor Al Fortin
Councillor Scott Kershaw
Councillor Rob Kerslake
Councillor Donna Kibble
Councillor Amanda Sabyan

Regrets: Councillor Judy Armstrong

Staff: Bob Payette, Chief Administrative Officer
Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer
Chelsea Young, Finance Officer
Ian Crosson, Utilities Manager
Chris Matthews, Parks & Roads Manager

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:15pm

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Mayor Stamer
Seconded by Councillor Sabyan
That the February 8, 2021 Budget Meeting Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. 2021 DRAFT BUDGET DISCUSSION:

The Finance Officer provided an overview of each draft budget. Specific mentions were noted.

a) Draft Riverwalk Wastewater Budget

- Desire to increase capacity of the system in order to help recoup costs and it was mentioned to once again look at the feasibility of creating a loop into our downtown system which would then permit the addition of the Teacher's subdivision properties. It was noted that much of this work has been previously done in years prior and staff will look into this further.

b) Draft Siska Wastewater Budget

- A future DCC bylaw was mentioned. Pros and Cons were briefly discussed.

c) Draft Aquatics Wastewater Budget

- Repair and Maintenance is really high due the ongoing efforts to bring the facility into compliance and to get it working effectively.

d) Louis Creek Industrial Park Water System Budget

- Once the Local Area Service is officially adopted, a proposed LCIP water system fee structure will be brought forward for Council consideration.

e) Draft Water System Budget

- Fire Department and Water Department are now splitting the cost of hydrant flushing between their two budgets.

f) Draft General Operational Budget

- The TNRD's portion of the new Fire Truck of \$78,192 was not planned and budgeted for by the TNRD, therefore, the TNRD will be expensing some of the District's Gas Tax projects and sending the District of Barriere those funds on their behalf.
- Old Command Truck – idea is that it is available for use by all departments whenever needed and would be written off in Fire Dept. Asset line item.
- Road culvert/ditching needs to be scheduled for this year.
- A few more cardboard recycle bins are needed in the downtown core as well as refurbishing dumpsters already owned by the District.

Moved by Mayor Stamer

Seconded by Councillor Fortin

That Council approve the purchase of cardboard bins and maintenance in the amount of \$4,000.00

CARRIED

- Planning/ Subdivisions/Zoning etc. expenses are expected to be higher this year but will be offset by the revenue of each application.
- District Hall Reserve transfer of \$25,000 is once again included.

g) Potential Capital Projects

Mr. Matthews outlined the written report of the Road's Department's proposed Capital projects in order of priority for Council's review.

- Roads – Forecast projects by priority:
 1. Barriere River Bridge Repair.
 2. Repaving of Dunn Lake Rd.

3. Yard Road Reclamation
4. Petro Canada drywell rehabilitation
5. Grading and Paving of No Name Rd.
6. Dunsmuir Road Reclamation
7. Repaving of Leonie Creek Rd.
8. HY Louis Building Rehabilitation to accommodate Town Hall – grant funding dependent.
9. Construct paved shoulder from Haigh Rd to Dunn Lk. Rd.
10. Community Park irrigation
11. Welcome to Barriere Highway signage.

3. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

None presented.

4. NEXT MEETING

February 22nd, 2021 at 5:15pm

5. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Kerslake that the meeting adjourn at 6:00p.m.

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Mayor Ward Stamer

Bob Payette, CAO