

District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b> Oct 3, 2023	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Bob Payette, CAO
<b>Re: Administrative Updates</b>	

## **CAO UPDATE:**

### **Community Relations:**

- CAO volunteered selling newspaper's for this year's Raise-a-Reader fundraiser on Monday.
- CAO attended UBCM Conference with Mayor Stamer.
- CAO met with Myles Bruns, Rural Economic Development Regional Manager to discuss our next grant application for the REDIP grant to support the ongoing work in LCIP.
- CAO completed the revised application for the crown land tenure in partnership with Simpcw, just waiting for Simpcw Council resolution on the initiative, and a letter of support from the Seniors' Society.

### **Development Projects:**

- The LCIP reservoir construction is complete. Some control panel work still needs to be done, and final financial reporting on the grant has been initiated.
- More work and discussions with possible development of the truck stop on the highway, with the developer submitting his application for subdivision, and discussions with MOTI. MOTI will review their passing lane project to see if the truck stop can fit within that project, as far as traffic volumes are concerned.
- Captain Kerslake of the Flume Tiger Team, continues his fine work on the interior construction, HVAC, and framing. In addition, the electrical is now operational, Painting of the building was started, window framing and doors are all happening.
  - Next steps: final draft of the drawings, lease contracts, exterior painting, doors and windows, flooring.

### **FINANCE OFFICER:**

- Monthly water meter reads are complete.
- Quarterly utility billing will be mailed out next week.

## **PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER:**

### Roads & Parks

- Park irrigation and splash pad has been shut down for the season. Irrigation lines are scheduled to be blown out week of October 16<sup>th</sup>
- Grass is continuing to be mowed at all District parks.
- Pothole and shoulder repairs are on-going.
- Staff will be meeting with paving contractors to obtain estimates on repaving priority roads for future budgetary purposes.

### Utilities

- Multiple residential water leaks have been identified and repaired in the last two weeks. This along with residents not having to irrigate has helped lower water consumption to less than 1000m<sup>3</sup>/day.
- Riverwalk and Siska sewage treatment facilities are operating at optimal levels. SAWRC effluent has improved considerably thanks to hard work of staff although still not meeting MOE discharge criteria.

## **RECREATION COORDINATOR:**

- Next Recreation Committee Meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2023 @ 9:30am
- Fireworks have been ordered for this year's Halloween Fireworks event. Event details will be confirmed and reported by the Fire Chief at the next meeting.

*\*submitted for information*

Prepared by: Bob Payette, CAO