

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

Held on Monday, April 8th, 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: Mayor Ward Stamer
Councillor Judy Armstrong – *via zoom*
Councillor Scott Kershaw
Councillor Rob Kerslake
Councillor Donna Kibble
Councillor Louise Lodge

Regrets: Councillor Colin McInnis

Staff: Tasha Buchanan, Acting CAO
Chelsea Young, Finance Officer
Chris Matthews, Public Works Manager
Jamie Mosdell, Recreation Coordinator

Mayor Stamer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kerslake
Seconded by Councillor Lodge
That Council approve the April 8th, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Kerslake
Seconded by Councillor Lodge
That Council adopt the minutes of a March 11th, 2024, Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Kevin Kershaw, Barriere Minor Ball – Ball Park Rental

Mr. Kershaw requested the ballpark field rental for Barriere Minor Ball be provided with a 50% discount for a charge of \$1000.00 + GST. It was stated that by next year, Minor Ball should be able to fulfill the full payment for the rental of the fields.

Discussion ensued regarding improvements being needed in the fields and it was suggested that Minor Ball look into additional grant opportunities.

Moved by Councillor Armstrong

Seconded by Councillor Kibble

That the ballfield rental costs be reduced by 50%, equaling \$1000.00 in a total discount for the 2024 Barriere Minor Ball season schedule as presented.

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- b. William Douglas, Skull Mountain Restorations – Housing Initiatives

Mr. Douglas was not present.

- c. Ken Brown, Bear Radio – Tower Replacement Permission

Mr. Brown was not present but Ms. Buchanan spoke on his behalf to state that he has indicated that he would like to replace the current 35ft tower with a 70ft tower at the Barriere Radio location. As the property is owned by the District of Barriere, Council permission is required. It was noted that the framework will not change, only the height and the cost will be handled by Mr. Brown.

Staff noted that the building inspector and staff requirements will be viewed before final installation approval.

Moved by Councillor Lodge

Seconded by Councillor Kershaw

That Ken Brown be granted permission to replace the Bear Radio tower as requested upon final review and approval of staff.

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- d. Mary MacLennan, Barriere Outdoor Club – Request for scheduled, exclusive use of the multi-use court.

****Note from Staff – A draft policy is currently in development and will be presented to the Rec Committee for their Council recommendation(s) shortly****

Ms. MacLennan requested exclusive use of several of the total multi-use courts during their scheduled playtime to avoid liability issues within their 3rd party liability insurance.

Staff noted a draft policy is currently in development and will try to have it ready for May for the Recreation Committee to review to make their recommendations to Council.

4. BYLAWS and POLICIES

- a. District of Barriere Water System Bylaw No. 189, Amendment Bylaw No. 240 **a bylaw to add prescribed watering restrictions during a Provincial Drought Level 4 that applies to the District of Barriere – 1st, 2nd & 3rd readings.*

Ms. Buchanan and Mr. Matthews provided an overview of the draft bylaw which is to include an additional stage for water conservation during high levels of Provincial Drought in the area.

**Moved by Councillor Kerslake
Seconded by Councillor Kershaw
THAT the District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 189, Amendment Bylaw No. 240 be
given 1st, 2nd & 3rd readings.**

CARRIED

5. STAFF REPORTS

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

The Acting CAO provided an overview of the written report.

6. PROCLAMATIONS – *none submitted*

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. For Information - *none submitted*

- i. For Action - *none submitted*

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:
- Thanked Council and Staff for helping with the Welcome Basket to Dr. Alabi.
- b. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal report on the following:
- Will be revitalizing Barriere Blooms with the Recreation Committee.
- c. Councillor Kerslake provided a verbal report on the following regarding the BBC project:
- Interior painting completed.
 - Drop ceiling has been completed.
 - Flooring is in progress.
 - Parking lot paving will be completed by BA Dawson and is scheduled for the week of April 15th.
 - The majority of lights, switches, and receptacles have been installed.
- d. Councillor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:
- Will be attending BC Rural Conference April 21-23 in Kelowna.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor provided a verbal report on the following:

- Attended a Food Security meeting in Clearwater.
- Meeting with BC Highway Patrol and others regarding patrol in Clearwater. No imminent changes with staffing there.

10. PUBLIC INQUIRIES:

- a. Roger Wood – Inquired if the District is lowering the base allowed for water consumption. Staff noted there are no plans to do so but will continue to promote water conservation.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION – *none presented*

12. NEXT MEETING

- a. Regular Council Meeting, Monday, April 22, 2024 @ 7pm

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Kerslake that the meeting adjourn at 8:09pm

CARRIED

Mayor Ward Stamer

Tasha Buchanan, Acting CAO