

DISTRICT OF BARRIERE
MINUTES OF A RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 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 lands we are meeting today.”*

Present: Councillor Louise Lodge – Chair
 Councillor Donna Kibble
 Councillor Brody Mosdell
 Jen Crosman
 Glenda Feller

Staff: Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER – *Chair Lodge called the meeting to order at 7:01pm*

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Added “Partnership Opportunity with the Chamber of Commerce”

Moved by Councillor Mosdell

Seconded by Jen Crosman

That the Committee approve the May 28, 2025, Recreation Committee Meeting Agenda as amended

CARRIED

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS – *none scheduled*

4. CANADA DAY – Tuesday, July 1st, 2025 – *T. Buchanan*

A draft budget and itinerary was presented to the Committee for review. It was reiterated that the District was successful in its Heritage Canada grant funding this year in the amount of \$1,200.00 which is \$360.00 less than last year. Therefore, it was suggested that the advertising budget in the amount of approximately \$350.00 be cut from this budget. Staff will determine if there are other means of advertising this event in the District’s already budgeted “overall advertising” budget.

BBQ, and Hot Dog Roller will be brought down. Staff will ask if MLA Stamer can volunteer to cook the hot dogs.

5. BARRIERE BLOOMS – Chair Lodge / Councillor Kibble

Registration for Barriere Blooms opened earlier this month. Notification for registration applications was advertised on the District's website, through E-News and on Social Media. Councillor Kibble is accepting applications at her home, via email or through Facebook and reported that a number of have been received so far. Chair Lodge is in the process of dropping off registration forms to the downtown businesses. Judging is expected to take place around the 15th - 16th of August.

6. BANDSHELL FRIDAYS/MOVIE NIGHTS - T. Buchanan

This year's Barriere Bandshell Friday line-up has been secured. Four and a half Fridays have been scheduled and the line-up was provided to the Committee for review.

It was noted that Bill Fowler has increased his fee by \$50 per event this year for Sound Services which is the first increase in many years.

A draft Movie Night in the Park schedule was presented to the Committee. Staff have suggested obtaining the licences for: Dog Man, The Wild Robot, Wicked and Mufasa; the Lion King. Each licence costs \$250.00 for a total of \$1,000.00. The District's summer student that ran the event last year is once again scheduled to facilitate this year's program.

Interior Savings has informed Chair Lodge that due to the merger with Beem Credit Union, it is unlikely that the "Moonlight Movie" will be offered through the Credit Union going forward. However, the Barriere Branch Manager has indicated that it would review any options for a sponsorship of one of the nights. It was suggested that the one night sponsorship fee be requested in the amount of \$500 to cover the license and the staff person.

For the August 8th Movie Night showing "Wicked": It was agreed to market the evening as "Wicked Night" by encouraging attendees to come dressed in their favorite "Wicked" or "Wizard of Oz" themed costume for a chance to win a "Best Costume" prize.

It was noted that the Barriere Girl Guides will once again sell popcorn at the movie nights.

7. PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – Chair Lodge

The Chamber has indicated that they may be interested in hosting the "Amazing Barriere Race" in the Barriere area. The theme would be a sort of 'scavenger-hunt' type feat but would involve completing a task such as painting a rock, planting something, etc. Volunteers would be needed to oversee each stop. It

was suggested that the event be on one of the movie nights so that the final stop was right before the movie starts. Possibly August 8th.

8. BLOCK PARTY REVIEW – Chair Lodge / T. Buchanan

Ms. Buchanan provided an overview of the planning status of the Block Party to date. It was noted that all the food vendors have been secured, entertainment contracts signed, show and shine registrants confirmed, tent and bouncy castle rentals paid for and scheduled, liquor license applied for (still awaiting response from the Liquor Board but this delay is not unusual) and sound services booked. However, the booked vendor list is still considerably smaller than last year. In addition, due to the bandshell being down one full bathroom, additional porta-potties may need to be secured.

Additionally, Mr. Rainer has offered the Committee the use of his large refrigerator for the beer gardens. The Seniors Centre has agreed to allow the unit to be plugged in to one of their outdoor outlets.

The Committee was informed that the Barriere Block Party has been nominated as the region's "Best Event" in the Star Journal's 'Best of' program. An advertising option was presented to the Committee for consideration.

**Moved by Councillor Kibble
Seconded by Councillor Mosdell
That the Block Party participate in the "Best of the Valley"
advertising program via the Star Journal's advertising package in the
amount of \$350 to come from the Block Party Budget.**

CARRIED

9. PUBLIC INQUIRIES – None presented.

10. NEXT MEETING – At the call of the Chair

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Mosdell that the Rec Committee Meeting adjourn at 8:30p.m.

CARRIED

Chair Louise Lodge

Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer