

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BARRHEAD
TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024,
IN THE TOWN OF BARRHEAD COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT Mayor McKenzie, Crs: T. Assaf, D. Kluin, R. Klumph, A. Oswald, D. Sawatzky and D. Smith (virtually)

Officials: Ed LeBlanc, CAO and Jennifer Mantay, Director of Corporate Services

OTHERS Barry Kerton, Barrhead Leader

ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

AGENDA The agenda was reviewed.

335-24 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that the agenda be accepted as amended:

- Adding: 8(a) Accessibility Coalition
- Amending: 5(a) from replacing the name of Ms. Karen Gariepy to Ms. Karen Pronishen
- Deleting: 8(a) Community Futures Yellowhead East

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of October 8, 2024, were reviewed.

336-24 Moved by Cr. Klumph that the Minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of October 8, 2024 be approved as amended by inserting the following two resolutions:

Resolution # 321-24

Moved by Mayor McKenzie that Council instruct Administration to amend the existing Arena Concession Operator agreement, as discussed, obtain a legal opinion on the new version of the agreement and present to Council at a further Council Meeting for consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution # 322-24

Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that Council authorized the cost share of the new front entrance at the Medical Clinic equally with the property owner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

Mayor McKenzie and Council welcomed Ms. Karen Pronishen, Executive Director, representing the Barrhead & District Family and Community Support Services Society at 5:42 p.m.

Ms. Karen Pronishen of the Barrhead & District Family and Community Support Services Society, presented their proposed 2025 Operating Budget for Council's review and consideration.

EXITED Mayor McKenzie and Council thanked Ms. Karen Pronishen, Executive Director, representing the Barrhead & District Family and Community Support Services Society for her presentation and she exited the Chambers at 6:10 p.m.

337-24 Moved by Cr. Assaf that Council approves the 2025 Barrhead & District Family and Community Support Services Society budget and presentation from Ms. Karen Pronishen, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEW TOWN OF BARRHEAD CAO,
MR. COLLIN STEFFES**

Mayor McKenzie advised that the Town of Barrhead has selected Mr. Collin Steffes as the new Chief Administrative Officer.

338-24 Moved by Mayor McKenzie that Council approves the appointment of Mr. Collin Steffes as the new Chief Administrative Officer, effective November 25, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CLEAN ENERGY IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM**

For Council to review the presentation of the Clean Energy Improvement Program as presented by Jennifer Mantay, Director of Corporate Services.

EXITED Ed LeBlanc, CAO exited the Chambers at 6:17 p.m.

ENTERED Ed LeBlanc, CAO entered the Chambers at 6:19 p.m.

339-24 Moved by Cr. Kluin that Council accepts the Clean Energy Improvement Program presentation from Jennifer Mantay, Director of Corporate Services, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

340-24 Moved by Cr. Kluin that Council instruct Administration to provide additional information of the Clean Energy Improvement Program at the 2025 budget deliberation meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**RENEW SERVICE CONTRACT WITH
MUNICIPAL PLANNING SERVICES**

For Council to renew the existing service agreement with Municipal Planning Services (2009) Ltd., was received.

341-24 Moved by Cr. Kluin that Council renew the service agreement with Municipal Planning Services (2009) Ltd, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BANK
STATEMENT**

The Monthly Bank Statement for the month ended September 30, 2024, was received.

342-24 Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council approves the Monthly Bank Statement for the month ended September 30, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2024 PLEBISCITE – CHANGE OF VENUE
FOR DECEMBER 2, 2024 VOTE**

For Council was advised that the venue needs to be changed for the 2024 Plebiscite for the December 2, 2024 vote, was received.

343-24 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that Council approve the change in venue from the Charles Godberson Rotary Room to the Senior's Drop-in Centre for the 2024 Plebiscite for the December 2, 2024 vote.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESSED

344-24 Moved by Cr. Kluin to recess the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXITED

Jennifer Mantay, Director of Corporate Services exited the Chambers at 6:43 p.m.

RECONVENED

345-24 Moved by Cr. Assaf to reconvene the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENTERED

The Barrhead Public Library Board entered the Chambers at 7:04 p.m.

DELEGATION

Mayor McKenzie and Council welcomed Ms. Elaine Dickie, Library Director, Mr. Kyle Hughes, Library Information Technician and Ms. Jane Kusal, Chairperson representing the Barrhead Public Library at 7:04 p.m.

Ms. Elaine Dickie and Mr. Kyle Hughes of the Barrhead Public Library presented the 2025 Barrhead Public Library Budget.

EXITED

Mayor McKenzie and Council thanked the Barrhead Public Library Board for their presentation and they exited the Chambers at 7:26 p.m.

346-24

Moved by Cr. Klumph that Council accepts the 2025 Barrhead Public Library Budget presentation from the Barrhead Library Board, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXITED

Ed LeBlanc, CAO exited the Chambers at 7:20 p.m.

ENTERED

Ed LeBlanc, CAO entered the Chambers at 7:24 p.m.

**COUNCIL
REPORTS**

The following Reports to Council as of October 22, 2024, were reviewed:

- Barrhead Accessibility Coalition
- Barrhead Cares Coalition
- Capital Regional Assessment Services Commission
- Chamber of Commerce
- Family & Community Support Services Society
- Library Board

347-24

Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that the following Reports to Council as of October 22, 2024, be accepted as information and as presented:

- Barrhead Accessibility Coalition
- Barrhead Cares Coalition
- Capital Regional Assessment Services Commission
- Chamber of Commerce
- Family & Community Support Services Society
- Library Board

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE
ITEMS**

The following correspondence items were reviewed:

Letter dated October 3, 2024, from Ms. Elaine Timm, regarding tripping and falling on town sidewalk and breaking a new pair of eyeglasses that she would like replaced.

348-24 Moved by Cr. Assaf that Council accepts the letter dated October 3, 2024, from Ms. Elaine Timm, regarding tripping and falling on town sidewalk and breaking a new pair of eyeglasses that she would like replaced, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Email dated October 14, 2024 from Board Member Deb Breitzkreitz, from the Ripple Connection Support Center, regarding a financial contribution from Town Council.

349-24 Moved by Cr. Kluin that Council accepts the email dated October 14, 2024 from Board Member Deb Breitzkreitz, from the Ripple Connection Support Center, regarding a financial contribution from Town Council and to defer to the Town's 2025 budget deliberation meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FOR THE GOOD
OF COUNCIL**

Councillor Assaf commended Barrhead County for successfully hosting the recent Business Conference and for having the two guest speakers.

Councillor Assaf acknowledged the Regional Fire Department for their quick response to a recent residential fire in Town.

**CLOSED SESSION – LEGAL
FOIP ACT SECTION 24(1)**

350-24 Moved by Cr. Assaf that Council go in closed session at 7:46 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

351-24 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that the Council come out of closed session at 8:32 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

352-24 Moved by Cr. Kluin that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TOWN OF BARRHEAD

Mayor, David McKenzie

CAO, Edward LeBlanc