

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BARRHEAD
TOWN COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026,
IN THE TOWN OF BARRHEAD COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT Mayor Assaf, C. Botros, D. Kluin, A. Oswald, D. Sawatzky, D. Smith and S. Fylyshtan

ABSENT Jennifer Mantay, Director of Corporate Services

Officials: Collin Steffes, CAO, Jenny Bruns, Director of Planning, Economic Development & Legislative Services, and Jodie Lyons, Municipal Coordinator

OTHERS Barry Kerton, Barrhead Leader

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Assaf called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA The agenda was reviewed.

172-26 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that the agenda be accepted with the following addition:

- 7(g) Notice of Motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting of May 12, 2026, were reviewed.

173-26 Moved by Cr. Botros that the Minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting of May 12, 2026, be approved with amendments.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC COORIDORS

Mayor Assaf welcomed Michael Botros, Regional Director, North Central Region to the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

Mr. Michael Botros presented an update on maintenance plans for highways through and around Barrhead.

EXITED Mayor Assaf and Council thanked Michael Botros, Regional Director, North Central Region; he exited the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

174-26 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that Council accept the Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors update as information presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

Collin Steffes, CAO, presented for Council to approve the Financial Statement Report ending March 31, 2026, as presented.

175-26 Moved by Cr. Fylyshtan that Council approve the Financial Statement Report to March 31, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VOLLEYBALL COURTS

Shallon Touet, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented a briefing on a future recreational planning and infrastructure review to also include potential permanent beach volleyball courts.

176-26 Moved by Cr. Botros that Council receive the Outdoor Slab Volleyball / Future Recreation Planning report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LAWNMOWER DONATION

Collin Steffes, CAO, presented to the Council to consider the donation request for a Z Track Mower received from the Paddle River Golf and Country Club (PRGCC).

177-26 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that Council donate the John Deere 2915B Commercial Z Track Mower to the Paddle River Golf and Country Club.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MONTHLY BANK STATEMENT

Collin Steffes, CAO, provided an update for Council to accept the Monthly Bank Statement to April 30, 2026, as presented.

178-26 Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council accepts the Monthly Bank Statement, to April 30, 2026, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SPLASH PARK ACCESSIBILITY UPGRADES

Shallon Touet, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented to seek Council's direction regarding the Splash Park accessibility upgrades.

179-26 Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council authorize Administration to continue collaborating with the Barrhead Accessibility Coalition to identify and evaluate cost-saving opportunities intended to reduce overall project costs and maintain the Splash Park project within the initial Council-approved contribution of \$41,900.00 as identified in the 2026 Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS SURVEY
REPORT**

Jenny Bruns, Director of Planning, Economic Development and Legislative Services, provided results of the 2026 Business Survey to Council for information.

180-26 Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council accept the 2026 Business Survey Report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTION

**ALBERTA DISABILITY
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
(ADAP)**

Cr. Kluin presented a Notice of Motion for the June 9, 2026 Regular Council Meeting requesting Council to advocate for the Disability community by sending a letter to the Province of Alberta requesting them to pause the changes to the AISH program.

ACCEPTED INTO THE MINUTES

**COUNCIL
REPORTS**

The following Reports to Council as of May 26, 2026, were reviewed:

- (a) Barrhead Chamber of Commerce – Cr. Oswald
- (b) Barrhead Regional Family and Community Support Services – Cr. Oswald
- (c) Barrhead & District Historical Society – Cr. Fylyshtan
- (d) Barrhead & Area Regional Crime Coalition – Cr. Kluin
- (e) Barrhead Accessibility Coalition – Cr. Kluin
- (f) Elected Officials Education Program – Cr. Botros
- (g) Barrhead Library Board – Cr. Botros
- (h) Community Futures Yellowhead East – Cr. Botros

181-26 Moved by Cr. Smith that the following Reports to Council as of May 26, 2026 be accepted as information:

- (a) Barrhead Chamber of Commerce – Cr. Oswald
- (b) Barrhead Regional Family and Community Support Services – Cr. Oswald
- (c) Barrhead & District Historical Society – Cr. Fylyshtan
- (d) Barrhead & Area Regional Crime Coalition – Cr. Kluin
- (e) Barrhead Accessibility Coalition – Cr. Kluin
- (f) Elected Officials Education Program – Cr. Botros
- (g) Barrhead Library Board – Cr. Botros
- (h) Community Futures Yellowhead East – Cr. Botros

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence to Council was reviewed:

- RCMP Q4 Provincial Statistics

182-26 Moved by Cr. Botros that the correspondence to Council is accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FOR THE GOOD
OF COUNCIL**

Cr. Sawatzky commended the Barrhead & District 4-H Clubs Beef & Sheep Achievement Day. The kids did a fantastic job and there was great support from the community.

Mayor Assaf thanked the Grade 3 students who toured the Town Office. They were very eager to learn about the Town and had great questions.

Mayor Assaf congratulated the Barrhead Art Club for hosting a Youth Art Showcase on Saturday, May 23, 2026. He added that the exhibits were impressive and acknowledged the talent of our local youth.

RECESSED

183-26 Moved by Cr. Smith that the Council Meeting be recessed at 6:57 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECONVENE

184-26 Moved by Cr. Oswald that the Regular Council Meeting reconvene at 7:31 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**IN-CAMERA
MUNICIPAL COLLABORATION
ATIA SECTION 29(1)**

185-26 Moved by Cr. Oswald that Council move in-camera pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act and Section 29(1) of the Access to Information Act to discuss advice from officials at 7:32 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OUT OF CLOSED
SESSION**

186-26 Moved by Cr. Oswald that the Regular Council Meeting move out of closed session at 8:12 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MUNICIPAL
COLLABORATION**

187-26 Moved by Cr. Smith that Council direct Administration to proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

188-26 Moved by Cr. Sawatzky that the Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TOWN OF BARRHEAD

Mayor, Ty Assaf

CAO, Collin Steffes