

## COUNCIL MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORT

**To:** Mayor and Council  
**From:** Mayor Joan Atkinson  
**Date:** August 28, 2023  
**Subject:** Activity for month of June 2023

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Activity:</b>
June 2	Participated in Peace Williston Advisory Committee (PWAC) meeting that was held in Mackenzie. Filling of the Site C Reservoir to begin as early as Fall 2023. Once the reservoir is filled it will not be accessible to the public for at least one year. Total surface area of site C reservoir is 9,330 ha while Williston Reservoir covers 177,300 ha.
June 4	Along with CAO Smith, I attended a dinner sponsored by the Mackenzie Legion to honor local RCMP members on the occasion of the 150 Year Anniversary of Canada's National Police Service.
June 6	Participated in a meeting with Ryan Bichon, Ministry of Forests, CAO Smith and Bylaw Officer Davidson regarding dumping of illegal waste on Crown Land within District of Mackenzie boundaries. District Manager Bichon will seek advice from the Compliance and Enforcement Branch of Ministry of Forests on resolution to this.
June 7	Attended the Swearing in Ceremony of newly elected Chief and Council of the McLeod Lake Indian Band. Chief Harley Chingee was re-elected, all Council members are new to their positions.
June 7	CAO Smith and I met with Ricky Beaudet (Enbridge Community & Indigenous Engagement Advisor) on Enbridge's Sunrise Expansion Program that will expand natural gas transmission (pipeline looping and additional compression) in the Mackenzie area, specifically Azouzetta and McLeod Lake facilities.
June 7	Attended Enbridge Open House at Rec Centre regarding Sunrise Expansion Program.
June 8	Participated in an in-person interview with Dominique Arnoldi from Radio Canada on the state of the forest industry in British Columbia.
June 11	Attended MORATA Duck Drop Event at second beach. MORATA has assumed Duck Drop from the Rotary Club.
June 12	Along with CAO Smith, I toured the Iris Energy Facility in the industrial site.
June 15	Attended Regional District of Fraser-Fort George monthly meeting. I also chaired the Regional Hospital District (RHD) meeting. RHD approved 4 capital funding requests from Northern Health.

June 20	Local ATV enthusiast reached out to discuss having to pay to dump refuse at transfer station after cleanup around community. I reached out to the Regional District who provided form to have fees waived when a community clean up takes place.
June 20	Attended McLeod Lake Mackenzie Community Forest Annual General Meeting. Disbursement cheques for \$250,000 each were presented to both the McLeod Lake Indian Band and District of Mackenzie.
June 21	Attended National Indigenous Peoples Day celebrations at McLeod Lake Indian Band.
June 22	Attended Kimta Transportation Society meeting. During the month of May 2023, 84 passengers utilized the shuttle service to Prince George. Kimta is exploring funding opportunities as fees collected by users of shuttle service is not covering expenses.
June 24	Participated in Mackenzie Secondary School Valedictory Ceremony and presented District of Mackenzie Bursary to Ariel Poole.
June 27	Participated in Stakeholder Workshop on development permit area in downtown area.
June 28	Attended the Forest Technologist Entry Level Program (FTELP) Milestone BBQ at the Ministry of Forests. Four technologists were recognized for their completion of 2 years on the job training program that supports their full designation as a forest professional.
June 28	Participated in New Horizons Stakeholder Meeting. Project will be completed in fall of 2024 and work is currently being done to ensure the sustainability of the many initiatives and successes that have been accomplished continue.
June 28	Met with Timber Sales Manager for BC Timber Sales regarding assistance with upgrades on Morfee Mountain Road.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mayor Joan Atkinson