FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 16, 2020
1:30 pm
FVRD Boardroom, 45950 Cheam Avenue, Chilliwack, BC

Members Present:	Director Bill Dickey, Electoral Area D, Chair *(via Zoom conference call)* Director Dennis Adamson, Electoral Area B *(via Zoom conference call)* Director Wendy Bales, Electoral Area C (via conference call) Director Orion Engar, Electoral Area E *(via Zoom conference call)* Director Hugh Davidson, Electoral Area F *(via Zoom conference call)* Director Al Stobbart, Electoral Area G *(via Zoom conference call)* Director Taryn Dixon, Electoral Area H *(via Zoom conference call)*
Regrets:	Director Terry Raymond, Electoral Area A
Staff Present:	Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer *(via Zoom conference call)* Kristy Hodson, Acting Director of Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer *(via Zoom conference call)* Jaime Reilly, Manager of Corporate Administration/Corporate Officer *(via Zoom conference call)* Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering & Community Services *(via Zoom conference call)* Graham Daneluz, Director of Planning & Development *(via Zoom conference call)* Julie Mundy, Planner I *(via Zoom conference call)* Kristen Kohuch, Executive Assistant to CAO and Board of Directors (*Recording Secretary)* Tyler Davis, Network Analyst II

1. CALL TO ORDER

The open meeting was called to order at 1:31 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS

Moved By STOBBART
Seconded By DAVIDSON

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of April 16, 2020 be approved;

AND THAT all delegations, reports, correspondence and other information set to the Agenda be received for information.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES/MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Draft Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting Minutes - March 10, 2020

Moved By ADAMSON
Seconded By DIXON

THAT the Minutes of the Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of March 10, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

4.1 Community food garden at the FVRD Deroche Office, 10220 North Deroche Road (brought forward by Director Bales)

Moved by BALES
Seconded by STOBBART

THAT a portion of the FVRD's Deroche office lawn area be used as a community food garden.

Discussion ensued regarding staff preparing a report addressing concerns such as land use planning, risk management, crown lease considerations, insurance and location, resulting in an amendment. The question was called on the motion as amended:

Moved By BALES
Seconded By DAVIDSON

THAT staff be directed to prepare a report for the Electoral Area Services Committee meeting with respect to a community food garden at the FVRD Deroche Office.

CARRIED

5. FINANCE

5.1 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Hope & District Arts Council, Electoral Area "B"

The Committee commented on the positive impact to the community by this organization.

Moved By ADAMSON
Seconded By DIXON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of $2,000 to the Hope & District Arts Council (HDAC), funded from the 2020 Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to provide funds for supporting arts and cultural programming attended by residents of Hope, Yale, Sunshine Valley, Laidlaw and surrounding areas.

CARRIED

5.2 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Deroche Farmer's Market, Electoral Areas "C" and "G"

While the Market is still scheduled to take place, staff reported that the organizers were advised the FVRD Deroche Office, which has been used as a reception space in past years, is closed to the public at this time.

Moved By BALES
Seconded By ENGAR

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Deroche Farmers Market Society in the amount of $2,450, to be funded from the 2020 Electoral Area "C" grant-in-aid budget in the amount of $1,450 and the 2020 Electoral Area "G' grant-in-aid budget in the amount of $1,000 to help offset the costs associated with advertising, new signage and repairs, and supplies.

CARRIED

6. PLANNING, BUILDING INSPECTION AND BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

6.1 Development Variance Permit to reduce the interior lot line setback for a single family dwelling at 216C Lakeshore Drive, Cultus Lake Park, Electoral Area H

Staff noted a Cultus Lake Park Board Meeting resolution dated April 15, 2020 which that was circulated to Directors by email and the Committee voiced support for the resolution as it pertains to the subject DVP.

Moved By DIXON
Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District issue Development Variance Permit 2019-36 to reduce the interior lot line setback from 1.2 metres to 0.6 metres for the exterior wall, from 1.2 metres to 0 metres for the deck, and from 1.05 metres to 0 metres for the eaves/ gutters of a single family dwelling, subject to consideration of comments or concerns raised by the public or by Cultus Lake Park.

CARRIED

6.2 Development Variance Permit to reduce the interior lot line setback for an agricultural structure at 40191 Lougheed Hwy, Electoral Area G

Moved By STOBBART
Seconded By ENGAR

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District issue Development Variance Permit 2020-01 for 40191 Lougheed Hwy to reduce the interior lot line setback from 30 metres to 10 metres for an agricultural structure, subject to consideration of any comment or concerns raised by the public.

CARRIED

6.3 Development Variance Permit to reduce the interior lot line setback for agricultural buildings at 9518 and 9466 Catherwood Road, Electoral Area G

Moved By STOBBART
Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2020-04 for 9518 and 9466 Catherwood Road, Electoral Area G, to reduce the interior side lot line setback from 30.0 metres to 0.0 metres, for agricultural buildings, subject to consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

CARRIED

7. ADDENDA ITEMS/LATE ITEMS

None.

8. REPORTS BY STAFF

None.

9. REPORTS BY ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS

Director Engar reported on a fire in his area and commented on the need for the Province to implement a campfire ban.

Director Dixon thanked Staff for their assistance dealing with a fire in the Cultus Lake area and reported on recent provincial park closures.

Director Adamson reported on creating signs in his area to notify of closures to the public.

Director Stobbart reported on the challenges faced by fire departments at this time and concerns surrounding campfires in his area, also thanking staff for assistance dealing with a fire in Sts'ailes.

Director Davidson reported on concerns surrounding burning and the need for campfire bans. Discussion ensued, resulting in the following motion:

Moved by DAVIDSON

Seconded by BALES

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board ask the Province to consider issuing a campfire ban as long as provincial parks are closed.

CARRIED

Director Bales reported on public concerns regarding campfires and physical distancing.

Director Dickey reported that Director Raymond, who was unable to attend the meeting, had requested that he comment on public concern over payment of property taxes.

Comments and concerns were offered regarding staffing, and messaging regarding methods for public questions as part of the April 28, 2020 Board meeting.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

The public was provided an opportunity to speak and no comments were given.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By DIXON
Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of April 16, 2020 be adjourned.

CARRIED

The Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of April 16, 2020 adjourned at 2:31 pm.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Director Bill Dickey, Chair