FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

REGIONAL AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 13, 2018
FVRD Boardroom, 45950 Cheam Avenue, Chilliwack, BC

Members Present	Director Patricia Ross, City of Abbotsford, Vice Chair Director Pam Alexis, District of Mission Director Ray Boucher, Electoral Area F Director Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford Director Bill Dickey, Electoral Area D Director Leo Facio, Village of Harrison Hot Springs Director Alec Niemi, Electoral Area C Director Terry Raymond, Electoral Area A Director John Van Laerhoven, District of Kent
Regrets	Director Jason Lum, City of Chilliwack, Chair Director Sharon Gaetz, City of Chilliwack Director Wilfried Vicktor, District of Hope
Staff Present	Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services Suzanne Gresham, Director of Corporate Initiatives Barclay Pitkethly, Director of Regional Programs Stacey Barker, Deputy Director of Regional Programs Alison Stewart, Manager of Strategic Planning Christina Vugteveen, Manager of Parks Jaime Schween, Manager of Corporate Administration Micha Gutmanis, Environmental Services Coordinator Jamie Benton, Environmental Services Coordinator Amanda Molloy, Executive Assistant to CAO and Board Cathy Squires, Executive Assistant Tyler Davis, Network Analyst I

There were no members of the public present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Open meeting was called to order at 9:00am.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS

Moved By FACIO
Seconded By BOUCHER

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting of March 13, 2018 be approved;

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

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

4. MINUTES/MATTERS ARISING

4.1 Minutes of the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting - February 15, 2018

Moved By BRAUN
Seconded By ALEXIS

THAT the Minutes of the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting of February 15, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

5.1 Fraser Valley Regional District Election Procedures Bylaw No. 1442, 2017

Moved By FACIO
Seconded By ALEXIS

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board consider giving three readings and adoption to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Election Procedures Bylaw No. 1442, 2017*.

CARRIED

Mr. Gipps outlined the new process for mail in ballots for the October 2018 General Local Elections. Discussion ensued regarding the role Elections BC will carry out in regulating campaign management for candidates.

6. FINANCE

None.

7. REGIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

7.1 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

7.1.1 Air Quality Education Program

Stacey Barker, Deputy Director of Regional Programs, reviewed the past Air Quality Education Program that was developed by the FVRD and Fraser Basin Council. During the program creation process, consultation with numerous teachers was done to ensure the resource would be a valuable tool in the classroom. Ms. Barker noted that since the program's creation, the provincial curriculum has changed and the program needs to be updated. Ms. Barker also noted that the program is currently being offered as an in-classroom workshop, one class at a time, in Mission, Abbotsford and Chilliwack schools.

Discussion ensued regarding the option of offering the resource material as a professional development workshop to teachers, who will then be able to use that knowledge to teach the materials to their own classes, which could distribute the material more efficiently.

Moved By BRAUN
Seconded By BOUCHER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD) continue to offer the *'Love Our Air'* school air quality education program in the 2018/2019 school year for a cost of not more than $25,000 to be funded out of the existing air quality operations budget.

CARRIED

7.2 REGIONAL PARKS

7.2.1 Fraser Valley Regional District Vedder River Campground Bylaw No 1476, 2018

Ms. Barker noted that staff have assessed campground rates across the Province, and found that the Vedder River Campground rates are lower than average. Ms. Barker also noted that if a rate increase is approved, over the next two years there will be significant improvements made to the campground site, including improvements to the grounds and existing structures.

Discussion ensued regarding seasonal rates versus single day rates, and staff noted that they will be monitoring this data over the 2018 season.

Moved By FACIO
Seconded By BOUCHER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board consider giving three readings and adoption to the bylaw cited as "*Fraser Valley Regional District Vedder River Campground Regulation, Fees and Other Charges Bylaw No. 1476, 2018*".

CARRIED

7.2.2 Transfer of Metro Vancouver Regional Parks within the City of Abbotsford

Mr. Gipps provided an update on the transfer of the Metro Vancouver Regional Parks to the Fraser valley Regional District as a Sub Regional Parks Service, which affects Sumas Mountain Interregional Park west flank, Matsqui Trial Regional park, Glen Valley Regional Park and a portion of Aldergrove Regional Park located within the City of Abbotsford boundary. Mr. Gipps noted that staff are awaiting ministerial approval on the Sub Regional Parks bylaw, and it is hoped that this will be done in order to start the taxation for the service this year.

Barclay Pitkethly, Director or Regional Programs provided a PowerPoint Presentation highlighting the work being undertaken by City of Abbotsford and FVRD staff, including development of service contracts, operational transfer plan, and a proposed budget.

Discussion ensued regarding the methods that have been used to reach agreements with Metro Vancouver and the City of Abbotsford.

7.3 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND INITIATIVES

7.3.1 Metro Vancouver Mobility Pricing Independent Commission Update

Barclay Pitkethly, Directory of Regional Programs, provided a review of the current initiatives of the Metro Vancouver Mobility Pricing Independent Commission at this time. Mr. Pitkethly noted that the FVRD has invited the Commission to connect with our Board; however, the invitation was declined at this time.

Discussion ensued regarding any plans that have been proposed and how the Fraser Valley may be affected. Further discussion on clarification and jurisdiction resulted in the following motion:

Moved By FACIO

Seconded By ALEXIS

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board Chair write a letter to Minister Selina Robinson requesting that the Metro Vancouver Mobility Pricing Independent Commission consult with the residents of the Fraser Valley Regional District;

AND THAT the letter requests that the Fraser Valley Regional District be advised of the outcome of the Commission's consultation.

CARRIED

8. ADDENDA ITEMS/LATE ITEMS

None.

9. REPORTS BY STAFF

None.

10. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS

Director Raymond reported that he attended the service for the late Grand Chief Rose Charlie. Director Raymond was honoured to attend the ceremony and shared his experience with the Committee. Director Raymond also noted there has been an artifact discovered in Boston Bar by archaeologists that has been dated to over 500 years old.

Director Van Laerhoven reported that the areas of Kent and Agassiz have been experiencing higher than normal traffic as there are numerous construction and railroad projects being completed in the area. The impact is expected to last throughout the summer.

Director Facio reported that the Village of Harrison Hot Springs received a $250,000.00 grant from the UBCM Strategic Priorities Fund to replace all of the streetlights in the village with LED lightbulbs.

11. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

None.

12. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

Moved By ALEXIS
Seconded By VAN LAERHOVEN

THAT the meeting be closed to the public, except for Senior Staff and the Executive Assistant, for the purpose of receiving and adopting Closed Meeting Minutes convened in accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter* and to consider matters pursuant to:

- Section 90(1)(e) of the *Community Charter* - the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Committee considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district; and
- Section 90(1)(k) of the *Community Charter* - negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a regional district service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Committee, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district if they were held in public.

CARRIED

The open meeting recessed at 9:44am.

13. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The open meeting reconvened at 10:05am.

14. RISE AND REPORT OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

None.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By VAN LAERHOVEN

Seconded By BRAUN

THAT the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting of March 13, 2018 be adjourned.

CARRIED

The open meeting adjourned at 10:05am.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Director Patricia Ross, Vice Chair