



FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 25, 2019
(Immediately following the FVRHD Board Meeting)
FVRD Boardroom, 45950 Cheam Avenue, Chilliwack, BC

Members Present: Director Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford, Chair
Director Pam Alexis, District of Mission, Acting Chair
Director Jason Lum, City of Chilliwack
Director Patricia Ross, City of Abbotsford
Director Dennis Adamson, Electoral Area B
Director Wendy Bales, Electoral Area C
Director Kelly Chahal, City of Abbotsford
Director Hugh Davidson, Electoral Area F
Director Bill Dickey, Electoral Area D
Director Taryn Dixon, Electoral Area H
Director Orion Engar, Electoral Area E
Director Leo Facio, Village of Harrison Hot Springs
Director Brenda Falk, City of Abbotsford
Director Carol Hamilton, District of Mission
Alternate Director Sue Knott, City of Chilliwack
Director Dave Loewen, City of Abbotsford
Director Bud Mercer, City of Chilliwack
Director Ken Popove, City of Chilliwack
Alternate Director Susan Spaeti, District of Kent
Director Terry Raymond, Electoral Area A
Director Peter Robb, District of Hope
Director Ross Siemens, City of Abbotsford
Director Al Stobbart, Electoral Area G

Regrets: Director Chris Kloot, City of Chilliwack
Director Sylvia Pranger, District of Kent

Staff Present: Jennifer Kinneman, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services
Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering & Community Services
Margaret-Ann Thornton, Director of Planning & Development
Stacey Barker, Director of Regional Services
Suzanne Gresham, Director of Corporate Initiatives

Milly Marshall, Director of EA Special Projects
Jaime Reilly, Manager of Corporate Administration
Christina Vugteveen, Manager of Parks Operations
Alison Stewart, Manager of Strategic Planning
David Urban, Manager of Outdoor Recreation Planning
Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations
Tyler Davis, Support Analyst
Chris Lee, Executive Assistant
Tina Mooney, Executive Assistant to CAO and Board (Recording Secretary)

Also Present: Paul Shorthouse, Delphi Group
Two Members of the Public

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lum called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

2. IN MEMORIAM - WALTER KASSIAN

Condolences were expressed to the family of Walter Kassian who recently passed away. The Board recognized his many years of service as former Board Chair and Director of the Regional District of Fraser Cheam, as well as Alternate Director for the Fraser Valley Regional District.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS

Moved by FACIO
Seconded by STOBART

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Fraser Valley Regional District Board Open Meeting of June 25, 2019 be approved;

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

**CARRIED
ALL/Unweighted**

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Fraser Valley Regional District Clean Economy Study

Alison Stewart, Manager of Strategic Planning provided background on the Fraser Valley Regional District Clean Economy. The purpose of the study is to provide information to local governments, businesses and others to develop strategies to grow the clean economy in the region and identify opportunities for

strategic partnership within the regions clean economy. She also noted that the study is to provide an economic base for the Regional Growth Strategy monitor program and ensure that policies are in line with future growth.

Paul Shorthouse, Senior Director, Delphi Group provided a presentation regarding the Clean Economy Study highlighting the following:

- Overview of trends and drivers
- Green and Sustainable Transportation
- Green and High-Performance Buildings
- Renewable Energy Supply & Storage
- Knowledge and Innovation
- Key points and challenges to consider

Discussions ensued around sharing the report and collaborating with member municipalities and stakeholders to promote and support the Clean Economy Study in the region and create a companion resource guide.

Moved by ROSS
Seconded by FACIO

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board receive the "*Fraser Valley Regional District Clean Economy Study*";

AND THAT staff be directed to create a companion resource guide for local governments, First Nations and stakeholders to serve as a tool to support clean economy opportunities.

AND FINALLY THAT staff be directed to contact the University of the Fraser Valley regarding collaboration on a forum to present the Clean Economy Study.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

5. BOARD MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING

Moved by FACIO
Seconded by KNOTT

5.1 Board Meeting - May 22, 2019

THAT the Minutes of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board Open Meeting of May 22, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

6. COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MINUTES FOR INFORMATION AND MATTERS ARISING

The following Commission minutes were provided for information.

- 6.1 **Draft Regional and Corporate Services Committee - June 11, 2019**
- 6.2 **Draft Electoral Area Services Committee - June 11, 2019**
- 6.3 **Board of Variance Hearing - May 24, 2019**
- 6.4 **Draft Internal Affairs Committee - May 22, 2019**
- 6.5 **Cultus Lake Advisory Planning Commission - May 15, 2019**
- 6.6 **Recreation, Culture and Airpark Services Commission Special Minute dated May 17, 2019 - FVRD Hope and District Recreation Centre Fees and Other Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 1529, 2019**

7. CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

No Items.

8. FINANCE

8.1 Electoral Area A & B Heritage Conservation Service – Tashme Museum Kindergarten Schoolhouse Project

Moved by RAYMOND
Seconded by ADMASON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional Board support a contribution of \$55,000 from the Electoral Area A & B Heritage Conservation Service Area for the Tashme Museum Kindergarten Schoolhouse Project, subject to the imposition of a ten year covenant.

**CARRIED
Areas A and B/Weighted**

8.2 2018 Fraser Valley Regional District Statement of Financial Information

The report by Mike Veenbaas dated June 25, 2019 was provided to the Board for information.

9. BYLAWS

9.1 FVRD Animal Control Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1527, 2019

Moved by KNOTT
Seconded by STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Animal Control Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1527, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

Moved by RAYMOND
Seconded by MERCER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Animal Control Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1527, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

Moved by LOEWEN
Seconded by CHAHAL

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Animal Control Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1527, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All Unweighted (2/3 Majority)**

9.2 Electoral Areas Animal Control Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1531, 2019

Moved by MERCER
Seconded by DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Areas Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1531, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

Moved by DAVIDSON
Seconded by STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Areas Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1531, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

Moved by DICKSON
Seconded by ROBB

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Areas Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1531, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All Unweighted (2/3 Majority)**

9.3 FVRD Electoral Area D Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1518, 2019 - application for 10180 Royalwood Boulevard to facilitate an increase in lot coverage

Moved by DICKEY
Seconded by RAYMOND

THAT *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area D Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1518, 2019* be adopted.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

9.4 FVRD Hatzic Prairie Water Supply and Distribution System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1519, 2019, Electoral Area "F"

Moved by DAVIDSON
Seconded by KNOTT

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Hatzic Prairie Water Supply and Distribution System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1519, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

Moved by DAVIDSON
Seconded by ENGAR

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Hatzic Prairie Water Supply and Distribution System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1519, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

9.5 FVRD Directors Remuneration Bylaw No. 1528, 2019

Discussion ensued regarding cost allocation of the Directors' remuneration.

Moved by FACIO
Seconded by DAVIDSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Directors Remuneration Bylaw No. 1528, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Weighted**

Directors Robb, Alexis, Braun, Dickey, Siemens, Falk, Chahal and Loewen opposed

Moved by KNOTT
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Directors Remuneration Bylaw No. 1528, 2019*.

**CARRIED
All/Weighted**

Directors Robb, Alexis, Braun, Dickey, Siemens, Falk, Chahal and Loewen opposed

Moved by POPOVE
Seconded by ENGAR

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Directors Remuneration Bylaw No. 1528, 2019*.

**DEFEATED
All/Weighted (2/3 Majority)**

Directors Robb, Alexis, Braun, Dickey, Siemens, Falk, Chahal and Loewen opposed

Moved by KNOTT
Seconded by DAVIDSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board refer the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Directors Remuneration Bylaw No. 1528, 2019* back to staff.

**CARRIED
All/Weighted**

**9.6 FVRD Hope and District Recreation Centre Fees and Other Charges
Amendment Bylaw No. 1529, 2019**

Moved by ROBB
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Hope and District Recreation Centre Fees and Other Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 1529, 2019*.

CARRIED
Hope and Area B/Weighted

Moved by ROBB
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Hope and District Recreation Centre Fees and Other Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 1529, 2019*.

CARRIED
Hope and Area B/Weighted

Moved by ADAMSON
Seconded by ROBB

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Hope and District Recreation Centre Fees and Other Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 1529, 2019*.

CARRIED
Hope and Area B/Weighted (2/3 Majority)

10. PERMITS

10.1 Application for Development Variance Permit 2019-07 to vary the size of an accessory building for a detached garage at 10180 Royalwood Boulevard, Electoral Area "D"

Chair Lum provided an opportunity for the public comments. No comments were offered.

Moved by DICKEY
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2019-07 to increase the size of an accessory building from the maximum permitted area of 45 square metres to 64 square metres, to facilitate the

construction of a detached garage at 10180 Royalwood Boulevard, Area “D”, subject to the consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

**CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted**

10.2 Application for Development Variance Permit 2019-13 to reduce the setback from a well for an aquaculture building at 12443 Stave Lake Road, Electoral Area “F”

Chair Lum provided an opportunity for the public comments. No comments were offered.

Moved by DAVIDSON
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District issue Development Variance Permit 2019-13 to vary the minimum setback requirement of aquaculture structures to existing wells at 12443 Stave Lake Road from 30.0m metres to 0.0 metres subject to consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

**CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted**

Moved by DAVIDSON
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize its signatories to execute all legal instruments associated with this application, including a Section 219 restrictive covenant advising future property owners that the agricultural and domestic water supply intake is within 30.0 metres of aquaculture structures and that the management of the water supply must be consistent with the Standard Operating Procedure prepared by the applicant as well as with the recommendations of the Hydrogeological Report, and to include regular tests of the water to provide warning of possible contamination.

**CARRIED
All/Weighted**

10.3 Application for Development Variance Permit 2019-14 to vary the maximum height and size requirements for an accessory building at 10394 Parkwood Drive, Electoral Area "D"

Chair Lum provided an opportunity for the public comments.

The applicant noted that the accessory building will be used for personal use only and will not be used for a commercial business.

Moved by DICKY
Seconded by STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2019-14 to increase the maximum permitted area of an accessory building from 45 square metres to 107 square metres and to increase the maximum permitted height of an accessory building from 5.0 metres to 7.5 metres, subject to consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

**CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted**

10.4 Application for Development Variance Permit 2019-15 to reduce the front lot line setback at 58161 Fancher Road, Electoral Area "B"

Chair Lum provided an opportunity for the public comments. No comments were offered.

Moved by ADAMSON
Seconded by BALES

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2019-15 for 58161 Fancher Road, Electoral Area B to reduce the front lot line setback from 25 feet (7.6 metres) to 10 feet (3.05 metres), clear to sky, to facilitate the construction of a residence and a residential accessory building, subject to consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

**CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted**

10.5 Application for Development Variance Permit 2019-16 to reduce the interior side lot line setback for the construction of a wheelchair ramp at #78-14550 Morris Valley Road, Electoral Area "C" (River Reach Estates)

Chair Lum provided an opportunity for the public comments. No comments were offered.

Moved by BALES
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2019-16 to reduce the setback from the interior side lot line from 2.1 metres to 1.0 metres, clear to sky to facilitate the construction of a wheelchair ramp at #78-14550 Morris Valley Road, Area "C", subject to the consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

**CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted**

11. CONTRACTS, COVENANTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

11.1 Cultus Lake North Waste Water Treatment Plant Odour Control

Moved by DIXON
Seconded by KNOTT

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize its signatories to execute a contract with Ramtech Environmental Products. to provide the Odour Control equipment for the Cultus Lake North Wastewater Treatment Plant for the sum of \$269,000 plus tax.

**CARRIED
All/Weighted**

12. OTHER MATTERS

12.1 Proposed UBCM Resolution - Provincial Response to Homeless Camps on Crown Lands

Moved by ENGAR
Seconded by STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board forward a resolution on the need for a provincial strategy to address rural homelessness and encampments on

Crown land to the Union of BC Municipalities for consideration at its September 2019 convention;

AND THAT the resolution shall be as follows:

RURAL HOMELESSNESS: CROWN LAND ENCAMPMENTS

WHEREAS Homelessness is a challenge facing both urban and rural communities;

AND WHEREAS electoral areas have the least ability to address homelessness, in that they are by their very nature remote from health, social, police and other services and the minimal tax bases cannot support the hard and soft infrastructure required to address homelessness;

AND WHEREAS the province's response to homeless encampments on Crown land has been inconsistent or ad-hoc in nature, sometimes relocating encampments without taking into account impacts on rural communities and regional district resources;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the province of British Columbia through its newly established Office of Homelessness Coordination within the Ministry of Poverty Reduction and Social Development develop a rural homelessness strategy to address what is clearly a gap in the province's response to homelessness.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

12.2 Updated FVRD Parks Closure Policy

Moved by FACIO
Seconded by DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the updated *Parks Closure Policy*.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

12.3 Proposal on Community Rail South of the Fraser on the Interurban Corridor

Comments and information was provided regarding a stretch of rail that through Langley to Cloverdale.

Moved by BRAUN
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT the proposal provided by South Fraser Community Rail with respect to *Community Rail South of the Fraser on the InterUrban Corridor* be referred to staff to report back for further discussion at an upcoming Board meeting.

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

13. CONSENT AGENDA

13.1 CONSENT AGENDA - FULL BOARD

Moved by RAYMOND
Seconded by FACIO

THAT the following Consent Agenda items 13.1.1 to 13.1.2 be endorsed:

13.1.1 THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,500 to Spuzzum First Nation, funded from the 2019 Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to help fund the outfitting of their Elders shelter with benches and tables to help bring the community together

13.1.2 THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$11,200 to the Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association, funded from the 2019 Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of equipment rental for river cleanup, community garden beds, a community composter, hosting a Canada Day celebration, website migration, and hosting Heritage Day

**CARRIED
All/Unweighted**

13.2 CONSENT AGENDA - ELECTORAL AREAS

Moved by STOBART
Seconded by DAVIDSON

THAT the following Consent Agenda item 13.2.1 be endorsed:

13.2.1 THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the policy titled
Secondary dwellings in the Electoral Areas

**CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted**

14. ADDENDA ITEMS/LATE ITEMS

None.

15. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS - FOR INFORMATION

The following reports were provided for information only:

15.1 Report regarding '2018 Electoral Area Annual Development Cost Charge Report' - June 2019 EASC

16. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE 16.1 - 16.7)

The following items were provided for information only:

16.1 Letter dated May 24, 2019 from Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development regarding proposals from Lil'wat Nation for name changes to a few features in the FVRD.

16.2 Letter dated May 29, 2019 from City of Victoria to UBCM regarding Provincial support for libraries.

16.3 Letter dated April 29, 2019 from gathet Regional District to the Province regarding expanding the scope of the Recycling Regulation for PPP to include the ICI sector.

16.4 Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) 2019 Resolutions Disposition

16.5 Letter dated June 1, 2019 from Wood Works BC regarding 'The 2019 Community Recognition Awards Call for Nominations'.

16.6 Fraser Basin Council - Fraser Valley Update - June 2019

16.7 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Update - May 2019

17. REPORTS BY STAFF

None.

18. REPORTS BY BOARD DIRECTORS

Director Engar encouraged the FVRD and surrounding areas to set an example and abstain from using straws and single use plastics in their communities.

Chair Lum discussed the garbage issues that arose with the Philippines and Metro Vancouver recently. He noted that the Fraser Valley Regional District's position has always been that recycled material should be recovered and sorted.

Director Popove commented on the current issue of garbage being returned from the Philippines.

Director Ross reminded that although materials may be recycled it is important to reduce the creation of waste in the first place.

Director Facio commended staff on their hard their work with garbage and air quality in the region. He noted that the Village of Harrison Hot Springs forwarded a resolution cutting the use of single use plastics in their community prior to it being implemented by the Federal Government in 2020.

Director Bales encouraged the reduction of use of bottled water in the communities and re-educate about water sources. She further noted concerns about plastics in the water.

Director Adamson reported that he attended the annual Yale Strawberry Social and the River Monsters had their annual swim meet in Hope. He invited the Board to the Hope Canada Day event on July 1.

Director Alexis reported on concerns surrounding single use plastics.

Moved ALEXIS
Seconded by ADAMSON

THAT staff be directed to report back to the Board regarding actions being taken by FVRD member municipalities regarding single use plastics.

**CARRIED
ALL/Unweighted**

19. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

None.

20. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

Moved by FACIO
Seconded by STOBART

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 to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* and to consider matters pursuant to:

- Section 90(1)(c) of the *Community Charter* - labour relations or other employee relations;
- Section 90(1)(e) of the *Community Charter* - the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Board considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district.

**CARRIED
ALL/Unweighted**

The Open Meeting recessed at 8:22 p.m.

21. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The Open Meeting reconvened at 9:06 p.m.

22. RISE AND REPORT OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

None.

23. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by ALEXIS
Seconded by ROBB

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board Open Meeting of June 25, 2019 be adjourned.

**CARRIED
ALL/Unweighted**

The Open Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Chair Jason Lum

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Corporate Officer / Deputy

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