

INAUGURAL FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 24, 2020
Zoom Conference Call

Members Present: Director Jason Lum, City of Chilliwack, Chair
Director Patricia Ross, City of Abbotsford, Vice Chair
Director Dennis Adamson, Electoral Area B
Director Wendy Bales, Electoral Area C
Director Sandy Blue, City of Abbotsford
Director Kelly Chahal, City of Abbotsford
Alternate Director Call Crawford, District of Mission
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
Director Chris Kloot, City of Chilliwack
Director Dave Loewen, City of Abbotsford
Director Bud Mercer, City of Chilliwack
Director Ken Popove, City of Chilliwack
Director Sylvia Pranger, 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

Staff Present: Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer
Jaime Reilly, Director of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Kelly Lownsborough, Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer
Graham Daneluz, Director of Planning & Development
Stacey Barker, Director of Regional Services

Suzanne Gresham, Director of Community Initiatives & Strategic Engagement
Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering Services
David Urban, Manager of Outdoor Recreation Planning
Alison Stewart, Manager of Strategic Planning
Lance Lilley, Manager of Environmental Services
Trina Douglas, Manager of Contracted Services
Kristen Kohuch, Executive Assistant to CAO and Board (*Recording Secretary*)
Tyler Davis, Fire Dispatch Management Communications Coordinator
Jamie Benton, Environmental Policy Analyst
Hafsa Salihue, Environmental Services Technician
Matthew Fang, Network Analyst II

Also Present: Martha Dow, PhD, Director of Community Health and Socialization Innovation (CHASI) Hub (*with respect to item 6.1*)
4 members of the public

1. CALL TO ORDER by Chief Administrative Officer

The open meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm.

Discussion ensued and the following motion was introduced:

Moved By FACIO

Seconded By MERCER

THAT due to the Provincial Health Order issued on November 19, that the Fraser Valley Regional District conduct meetings without the members of the public present in the Boardroom;

AND THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District continue to promote openness, transparency, accessibility and accountability by webcasting and archiving Board meetings online, allowing members of the public to write, email, call in or appear by Zoom with questions, and promoting public participation at meetings through social media channels.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

2. ELECTION OF FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD CHAIR

Ms. Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer, called for nominations for the position of Fraser Valley Regional District Board Chair.

Director Chris Kloot nominated Director Jason Lum. Director Lum accepted the nomination.

Ms. Kinneman called for nominations for the position of Board Chair for a second and third time. There being no further nominations, Ms. Kinneman declared Director Lum acclaimed as the Board Chair, and he assumed the Chair.

3. ELECTION OF FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD VICE CHAIR

Ms. Kinneman called for nominations for the position of Fraser Valley Regional District Board Vice Chair.

Director Sylvia Pranger nominated Director Patricia Ross. Director Ross accepted the nomination.

Ms. Kinneman called for nominations for the position of Board Vice Chair for a second and third time.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Kinneman declared Director Ross acclaimed as Board Vice Chair.

4. REMARKS BY FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD CHAIR

Chair Lum provided remarks regarding the previous year's accomplishments and challenges, and thanked front-line and healthcare workers for their work during the pandemic.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS

Moved By FACIO

Seconded By POPOVE

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Inaugural Meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of November 24, 2020 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

6. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Martha Dow, PhD, Director of Community Health and Socialization Innovation (CHASI) Hub

Dr. Martha Dow provided a presentation with respect to the Community Health and Socialization Innovation (CHASI) Hub at the University of the Fraser Valley, highlighting the following points:

- CHASI was founded by Abbotsford, Mission, and Chilliwack Divisions of Family Practice, First Nations Health Authority, and Fraser Health Authority;
- Working with the community and government partners, CHASI leads collaborative and multi-sectoral projects that use community-engaged research to rapidly identify challenges concerning access and differential experiences of health and social wellness, while developing innovative responses;
- Research is sponsored through the Research Assistant Development Program; and,
- Current research includes a variety of health-related projects such as, with respect to food security, homelessness, mental health, climate change, differential impacts of the pandemic, and more.

The Board asked how research is being made publicly accessible. Dr. Dow responded by saying information is being mobilized through social media as well as research databases, and the Hub aims to make research easily digestible by providing visual summaries of data.

Discussion ensued regarding the Abbotsford Homelessness Action Advisory Committee. The Board thanked Dr. Dow for her presentation and CHASI for their research as it impacts the community.

7. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Draft Fraser Valley Regional District Board Meeting Minutes - October 27, 2020

Moved By FACIO

Seconded By BLUE

THAT the Minutes of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board Open Meeting of October 27, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

8. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES FOR INFORMATION AND MATTERS ARISING

The following minutes were provided for information:

8.1 Draft Regional and Corporate Services Committee Meeting Minutes - November 10, 2020

8.2 Draft Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting Minutes - November 10, 2020

9. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

9.1 Fraser Valley Regional District Board and Committee Procedures Bylaw No. 1600, 2020

The Board provided comments in support of the bylaw and concerns were raised with respect to anecdotal minutes.

Moved By KLOOT

Seconded By RAYMOND

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board consider giving three readings and adoption to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Board and Committee Procedures Bylaw No. 1600, 2020*

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

10. FINANCE

10.1 Financial Plan 2020 – 2024 Amendments

Moved By STOBART

Seconded By DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to prepare for the Board's consideration an amendment to the Fraser Valley Regional District 2020 – 2024 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1585, 2020 to include expenditures and funding for the Popkum Sewer System remediation and the Popkum Sewer System SCADA integration.

CARRIED
All/Weighted

10.2 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association, Electoral Area “C”

Moved By BALES

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association (HVHA) in the amount of \$3,000, to be funded from the 2020 Electoral Area “C” grant-in-aid budget to help offset the costs associated with the hosting of several community events used to encourage family participation to increase community awareness as well as a storage locker for their equipment.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

10.3 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Friends of Tapadera Community Group, Electoral Area “C”

Moved By BALES

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to Friends of Tapadera Community Group in the amount of \$1,600 to be funded from the 2020 Electoral Area “C” grant-in-aid budget to help offset the costs associated with renting two garbage bins: one in Spring and one in Fall.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

10.4 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Cultus Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Electoral Area “H”

Moved By DIXON

Seconded By MERCER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,000 to the Cultus Lake Valley Volunteer Fire Department with the grant being funded from the Electoral Area “H” grant-in-aid budget and being used to help fund membership activities in appreciation of the volunteer work and dedication that the members provide to their communities.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

10.5 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Columbia Valley Volunteer Fire Department, Electoral Area “H”

Moved By DIXON

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,000 to the Columbia Valley Volunteer Fire Department with the grant being funded from the 2020 Electoral Area “H” grant-in-aid budget and being used to help fund membership activities in appreciation of the volunteer work and dedication that the members provide to their communities.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

10.6 2020 Grant-In-Aid – Popkum Volunteer Fire Department, Electoral Area “D”

Moved By DICKEY

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Popkum Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$500 to be funded from the 2020 Electoral Area “D” grant-in-aid budget to assist with the costs of the fire department’s annual end of year service recognition event.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

10.7 2020 Grant-In-Aid Request – Popkum Resident’s Association, Electoral Area “D”

Moved By DICKEY

Seconded By KLOOT

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Popkum Resident’s Association volunteers in the amount of \$400 to be funded from the 2020 Electoral

Area "D" grant-in-aid budget to assist with the costs of gift cards to be used to recognize volunteer work done throughout the year.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

11. BYLAWS

11.1 Electoral Areas E and H Bylaw Update Project

Moved By ENGAR

Seconded By PRANGER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of Directors give three readings to the following bylaws:

- *Fraser Valley Regional District Columbia Valley Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1607 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No.1608, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Yarrow/Ryder Lake Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1371, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Frosst Creek Flood and Debris Control Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1609, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Parkview Street Lighting Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1610, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Areas E & H Community Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1611, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Building Numbering Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1612, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Seasonal Conventional Transit Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1613, 2020; and*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake and Chilliwack River Valley Paratransit Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1614, 2020.*

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

11.2 Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area D Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1502, 2018 to facilitate a four (4) lot rural residential single family subdivision of 10304 10304 Agassiz-Rosedale Hwy, Electoral Area D.

The Board noted public comments both in-favor of and opposed to the item. Comments were made regarding the property which is located near a distinctive neighbourhood, the developer has agreed to maintain the form and character of the surrounding neighbourhood, protect as many trees as possible, and to construct a sound wall to buffer the nearby highway.

Moved By STOBART

Seconded By RAYMOND

THAT *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area D Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1502, 2018* be given second and third reading.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

11.3 Fraser Valley Regional District Lake Errock Water System Capital Construction Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1538, 2019

Moved By BALES

Seconded By DIXON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first, second and third readings to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Lake Errock Water Supply and Distribution System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1537, 2019;*

AND THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first, second and third readings to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Lake Errock Water System Capital Construction Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1538, 2019;*

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

11.4 Northside Garbage Disposal Service Area Amendment Bylaw Nos. 1595 and 1596, 2020

Moved By BALES

Seconded By DAVIDSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings to the bylaws cited as:

- Bylaw No. 1596, 2020 Electoral Area C Garbage Disposal Service Area Amendment: and
- Bylaw No. 1595, 2020 Electoral Areas F & G Garbage Disposal Service Area Conversion and Amendment

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

11.5 Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area D Integrated Water System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1602, 2020

Moved By DICKEY

Seconded By FACIO

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first, second and third readings to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area D Integrated Water System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1602, 2020*;

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

11.6 Subdivision and Development Servicing Amendment Bylaw No. 1603, 2020

Director Dickey declared a conflict of interest as he has a pending subdivision application currently before the FVRD. Director Dickey left the meeting for the discussion and voting on this item.

Moved By STOBART

Seconded By RAYMOND

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings and adoption to the bylaw cited as "*Fraser Valley Regional District Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1603, 2020*".

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

11.7 Northside Community Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw Nos. 1604 and 1605

Moved By STOBART

Seconded By ROBB

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings to the bylaws cited as:

- Electoral Area C Community Parks Service Area Merger and Amendment Bylaw No. 1604, 2020; and
- Electoral Areas F & G (DARD) Community Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1605, 2020.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

12. PERMITS [OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD]

12.1 Development Variance Permit 2020-17 to vary the maximum height requirement for an accessory building at 3900 Columbia Valley Road, Electoral Area H

Scott Lyon, 3900 Columbia Valley Road, Electoral Area H thanked staff for working with him on the application for this Development Variance Permit which will add to the form and character of his house.

The Board commented that the proposed height variance is significant though it is supported by the neighbours.

Moved By DIXON

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District issue Development Variance Permit 2020-17 to increase the maximum permitted height of an accessory building from 5.0 metres to 6.8 metres, subject to consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

12.2 Development Variance Permit 2020-19 to vary the maximum height requirement for an accessory building at 532 Park Drive, Electoral Area H

Discussion ensued regarding development variance permit fees and accessory buildings on the property.

Moved By DIXON

Seconded By ENGAR

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2020-19 to vary the maximum height of an accessory building from 4.0 metres (13.0 feet) to 4.5 metres (14.8 feet) for the property located at 532 Park Drive, Area H.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

12.3 Development Variance Permit 2020-20 to vary the maximum height and size requirements for an accessory building at 10146 Royalwood Blvd, Electoral Area D

Staff noted letters of opposition from members of the public pertaining to this item which were circulated by email.

Moved By DICKEY

Seconded By DIXON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board refer Development Variance Permit 2020-20 back to staff.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

12.4 Development Variance Permit 2020-21 to reduce the required highway setback from 4.6 metres (15.1 feet) to 3.9 metres (12.8 feet) for the accessory building at 47840 Chilliwack Lake Road, Electoral Area E

Discussion ensued regarding the outstanding bylaw issue with respect to the property.

Moved By ENGAR

Seconded By STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Variance Permit 2020-21 to reduce the required setback from 4.6 metres (15.1 feet) to 3.9 metres (12.8 feet) for the accessory building at 47840 Chilliwack Lake Road, Area E, subject to the consideration of any comments or concerns from the public.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

12.5 Development Permit 2020-19 for the form and character of Phase III subdivision of Aquadel Crossing at 1885 Columbia Valley Road Electoral Area H to permit the construction of a mix of ranchers, two storey, and three storey single family detached resort

Concerns were raised regarding the location of the three storey single family detached homes, and the requirement for design of the basements to have limited exterior access limiting the likelihood for illegal secondary suites being constructed.

Moved By DIXON

Seconded By RAYMOND

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board issue Development Permit 2020-19 regarding the form and character of Phase III subdivision of Aquadel Crossing at 1885 Columbia Valley Road Electoral Area "H" to permit the construction of a mix of ranchers, two storey, and three storey single family detached resort residential dwellings;

AND THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize amendments to the existing form and character covenant (charge CA5854378) to permit the form and character of Phase III of the development as detailed in Development Permit 2020-19

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

13. CONTRACTS, COVENANTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

13.1 Modification of the Glen Valley and Matsqui Trail Regional Parks Operating & Maintenance Agreement with the City of Abbotsford

Moved By LOEWEN

Seconded By FACIO

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board grant a modification until December 31, 2020, to the Glen Valley Regional Park and Matsqui Trail Regional Park Operating and Maintenance Agreement with the City of Abbotsford for the budgeted annual amount of \$527,900.

CARRIED
All/Weighted

14. OTHER MATTERS

14.1 Letters of Congratulations to new MLA's

Comments of support were provided by the Board with respect to this item.

Moved By ROSS

Seconded By KLOOT

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board support sending letters of congratulations to new MLA's in the region and thank you letters to those exiting the role for their years of service.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

14.2 2021 Job Creation Partnership Program Grant Application

Moved By PRANGER

Seconded By POPOVE

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to submit a grant application in 2021 to the Job Creation Partnership program for infrastructure improvements to FVRD regional parks and in support of Experience the Fraser.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

14.3 Update on Source Separation Bylaw

Comments of support were provided with respect to this item as historically some residents in rural electoral areas have had to drive to recycling facilities to dispose recyclable items. Staff

noted that as per the bylaw, haulers are required to provide services for collecting organic waste, garbage, and recycling. Discussion ensued about regulatory fines associated with this bylaw.

Moved By LOEWEN

Seconded By ROBB

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District direct staff to continue to provide information about the *Fraser Valley Regional District Solid Waste Removal Bylaw No. 1495 (2018)*, but to postpone a wide-spread public education campaign until mid-2021 or later, depending on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

14.4 Electoral Area Official Community Plans Accelerated Update Strategy

Moved By RAYMOND

Seconded By DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to prepare a draft strategy for further consideration to undertake a complete review and update of all Official Community Plans for the Electoral Areas over the next 10 years.

AND THAT staff provide a workshop for the Electoral Area Services Committee about the process for updating Official Community Plans.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

14.5 Cannabis Regulations in Electoral Areas – Update and Consultation Plan

Moved By RAYMOND

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District endorse the proposed consultation plan to inform updates to cannabis regulations in FVRD Zoning Bylaws and to implement the FVRD Land Use Policy for Cannabis Production, Processing, and Retail Sales in the Electoral Areas.

CARRIED
EAs/Unweighted

14.6 Hemlock Valley Avalanche Assessment

Moved By BALES

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize the immediate use of *Hemlock Valley Snow Avalanche Hazard Assessment* report by Dynamic Avalanche Consulting Ltd. for permitting purposes, to the extent possible, pending the update of the OCP and development permit area requirements;

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to send a mail-out to all property owners within the study area and stakeholders, to share the results of the report;

AND THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the Hazard Acceptability Thresholds for Development Approvals which are revised to incorporate the Canadian Avalanche Association Standards into the snow avalanche section.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

14.7 Updated Fraser Valley Regional District Water Conservation Plan

Comments were offered regarding water meters. The Board thanked staff for providing the document with respect to this item.

Moved By RAYMOND

Seconded By FACIO

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board endorse the updated Water Conservation Plan.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

14.8 Temporary Expanded Service Area Application for Sasquatch Mountain Resort, Electoral Area C

Moved By BALES

Seconded By KLOOT

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board endorse the proposed application received June 11, 2020 for a temporary expansion of the service area of the liquor licence for Sasquatch

Mountain Resort (20955 Hemlock Valley Road, Electoral Area C) for the duration of the Liquor and Cannabis Licensing and Regulation Branch (LCRB) program subject to Provincial Health guidelines, and pursuant to the Food Service Establishments and Liquor Services Order dated June 10, 2020.

AND THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a blanket approval option to waive application endorsement requirements for future temporary expanded service area applications to allow restaurants, cafes and pubs to temporarily expand outdoor seating/patio for the duration of the LCRB program subject to Provincial Health guidelines, and pursuant to the Food Service Establishments and Liquor Services Order dated June 10, 2020.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

14.9 Public Input & Additional Information Regarding Commercial Gravel Operation Permit 2020-01 for Statlu Resources, 12 km Chehalis FSR, Area C

Moved By STOBART

Seconded By DICKEY

THAT the FVRD Board issue Commercial Gravel Operations Permit 2020-01 to Statlu Resources INC for the gravel operation at 12 KM of the Chehalis Forest Service Road in Area C.

THAT the FVRD Board direct staff to continue to work with the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development and the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure to address community concerns regarding dust, traffic and safety associated with the Chehalis Forest Service Road.

AND THAT the FVRD Board direct staff to continue to work with the Ministry of Energy & Mines to address community concerns with potential environmental impacts and potential conflicts with recreation uses associated with the Statlu Resources pit on the Chehalis Forest Service Road.

Discussion ensued and an amendment was introduced in an effort to reduce conflict in the area that is adjacent to recreational uses. Staff clarified that the amendment to the motion would not conflict with Provincial legislation.

Moved By BALES

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT Commercial Gravel Operations Permit 2020-01 be amended to limit days of operation to weekdays (Monday to Friday), exclusive of statutory holidays, during the months of March through November each year.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

Further discussion ensued and the question was called on the main motion has amended as follows:

Moved By BALES

Seconded By ADAMSON

THAT the FVRD Board issue Commercial Gravel Operations Permit 2020-01 to Statlu Resources INC for the gravel operation at 12 KM of the Chehalis Forest Service Road in Area C.

THAT Commercial Gravel Operations Permit 2020-01 be amended to limit days of operation to weekdays (Monday to Friday), exclusive of statutory holidays, during the months of March through November each year.

THAT the FVRD Board direct staff to continue to work with the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development and the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure to address community concerns regarding dust, traffic and safety associated with the Chehalis Forest Service Road.

AND THAT the FVRD Board direct staff to continue to work with the Ministry of Energy & Mines to address community concerns with potential environmental impacts and potential conflicts with recreation uses associated with the Statlu Resources pit on the Chehalis Forest Service Road.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

15. ADDENDA ITEMS/LATE ITEMS

None.

16. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS - FOR INFORMATION

16.1 FVRD Regional Growth Strategy ties to Electoral Areas

The corporate report dated November 10, 2020 from Robin Beukens, Planner II and Katelyn Hipwell, Planner II was provided for information.

The Board raised concerns with respect to constraints on the healthcare industry as it relates to projections in the Regional Growth Strategy showing a demographic shift occurring, increasing senior populations in the region.

16.2 Regional and Community Parks and Trails Summer Usage – 2020

The corporate report dated November 10, 2020 from Gord Gadsden, Park Technician II was provided for information.

The Board thanked staff for providing data on parks and trail usage, noting how it demonstrates increased usage during COVID-19.

16.3 Housing Needs Assessment Update

The corporate report dated November 10, 2020 from Katelyn Hipwell, Planner II was provided for information.

Discussion ensued regarding the Housing Needs Assessment Update as it relates to homeless counts in the region.

17. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The following item was provided for information:

17.1 Fraser Valley Basin Council - Fraser Valley Update, November 2020

18. REPORTS BY STAFF

None.

19. REPORTS BY BOARD DIRECTORS

Director Raymond thanked staff at the Hope Recreation Centre for working diligently to keep the facility open and adjust to changing public health guidelines.

Director Dickey reported on the first electronic public hearing for the organization for Electoral Area D, and thanked Planning Department Staff.

Director Facio reported that due to new health authority restrictions the synthetic ice rink in the Village of Harrison Hot Springs would not be opening although the festival of lights is still ongoing.

20. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

There were no written questions submitted with respect to items on the agenda. Staff commented that members of the public were provided the opportunity to join the Zoom call by computer or over the phone and ask questions to the Board. It was noted that one member of the public was present at the meeting but no questions were received.

21. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

Moved By FACIO

Seconded By MERCER

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(2)(b) of the Community Charter - the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

The meeting recessed at 8:45 pm.

22. RISE AND REPORT OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

None.

23. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By FACIO

Seconded By POPOVE

THAT the Inaugural Meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of November 24, 2020 be adjourned.

CARRIED
All/Unweighted

The Inaugural Meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of November 24, 2020 adjourned at 9:17 pm.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Director Jason Lum, Chair

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Corporate Officer/Deputy