

FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT
ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE
OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

1:30 pm

FVRD Boardroom, 45950 Cheam Avenue, Chilliwack, BC

Members Present

Director Bill Dickey, Electoral Area D, Chair
Alternate Director Dufresne, Electoral Area A
Alternate Director Kassian, Electoral Area B
Director Alec Niemi, Electoral Area C
Alternate Director McNary, Electoral Area E
Director Ray Boucher, Electoral Area F
Director Al Stobbart, Electoral Area G
Director Taryn Dixon, Electoral Area H

Members Absent

Director Terry Raymond, Electoral Area A
Director Dennis Adamson, Electoral Area B
Director Orion Engar, Electoral Area E

Staff Present

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer
Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services
Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering & Community Services
Margaret Thornton, Director of Planning & Development
Sterling Chan, Manager of Engineering and Infrastructure
Jennifer Kinneman, Manager of Corporate Affairs & Strategic Communications
Milly Marshall, Director of EA Special Projects
Graham Daneluz, Deputy Director of Planning & Development
Jaime Schween, Manager of Corporate Administration
Johannes Bendle, Planner I
Katelyn Hipwell, Planner I
Melissa Geddert, Planning Technician
Amanda Molloy, Executive Assistant to CAO and Board
Cathy Squires, Recording Secretary
Matthew Fang, Network Analyst I

1. CALL TO ORDER by Chief Administrative Officer

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

2. ELECTION OF ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIR by Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Gipps called for nominations for the position of Electoral Area Services Committee Chair.

Director Niemi nominated Director Dickey.

Director Dickey accepted the nomination.

Mr. Gipps called for nominations for the position of Electoral Area Services Committee Chair a second and third time.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Gipps declared Director Dickey acclaimed as the EASC Chair.

3. ELECTION OF ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR by Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Gipps called for nominations for the position of Electoral Area Services Committee Vice Chair.

Director Boucher nominated Director Stobbart.

Director Stobbart accepted the nomination.

Mr. Gipps called for nominations for the position of Electoral Area Services Committee Vice Chair a second and third time.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Gipps declared Director Stobbart acclaimed as the EASC Vice Chair.

Director Dickey assumed the Chair.

4. REMARKS BY ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chair Dickey thanked fellow Directors for their support and expressed his satisfaction with the spirit of cooperation as well as solid staff support.

Chair Dickey welcomed the Alternate Directors in attendance.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS

BOUCHER / DUFRESNE

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of December 12, 2017 be approved;

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

[EASC 2017-157]

CARRIED

6. MINUTES/MATTERS ARISING

6.1 Minutes of the Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting November 16, 2017

STOBBART / KASSIAN

THAT the Minutes of the Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of November 16, 2017 be adopted.

[EASC 2017-158]

CARRIED

7. CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

None.

8. FINANCE

8.1 Grant-In-Aid Request - 1789 - The Royal Westminster Regiment Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corp, Electoral Area "B"

KASSIAN / DIXON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,000 to the 1789 - The Royal Westminster Regiment Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps, funded from the Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of purchasing equipment to be used in the operation of their programs.

[EASC 2017-159]

CARRIED

8.2 Grant-In-Aid Request – Hope and District Figure Skating Club, Electoral Area "B"

KASSIAN / NIEMI

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,500 to the Hope and District Figure Skating Club, funded from the Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of upgrading their music system as well as replacing supplies for their Pre-Canskate and Canskate programs.

[EASC 2017-160]

CARRIED

8.3 Grant-In-Aid Request – Rotary Club of Hope, Electoral Area "B"

KASSIAN / BOUCHER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,000 to the Rotary Club of Hope, funded from the Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to fund the construction of a water fountain in Hope.

[EASC 2017-161]

CARRIED

8.4 Grant-In-Aid Request – Deroche Elementary School PAC, Electoral Area "C"

NIEMI / STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$2,000 to the Deroche Elementary School PAC, funded from the Electoral Area "C" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of providing services to their community such as hot lunches, community meals, Christmas hampers, warm clothing, and bussing for field trips.

[EASC 2017-162]

CARRIED

8.5 Grant-In-Aid Request – Leq’a:mel First Nation, Electoral Area “C”

NIEMI / STOBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$350 to Leq'a:mel First Nation, funded from the Electoral Area “C” grant-in-aid budget to sponsor their annual Children’s Christmas party.

[EASC 2017-163]

CARRIED

8.6 Grant-In-Aid Request – Scenic 7 BC – Co-operative Marketing Partners, Electoral Areas “C” and “F”

BOUCHER / NIEMI

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid to Scenic 7 BC Co-operative Marketing Partners (Scenic7BC), to be funded from the Electoral Area “C” grant-in-aid budget in the amount of \$1,000 and the Electoral Area “F” grant-in-aid budget in the amount of \$500, to help build their online presence across their target markets.

[EASC 2017-164]

CARRIED

8.7 Grant-In-Aid Request - Deroche Elementary School PAC, Electoral Area "G"

STOBART / NIEMI

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorizes a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$3,000 to the Deroche Elementary School PAC, funded from the Electoral Area “G” grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the cost of installing a swing set.

[EASC 2017-165]

CARRIED

8.8 Grant-In-Aid Request - Deroche Elementary School PAC, Electoral Area “G”

STOBART / BOUCHER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$2,150 to the Deroche Elementary School PAC, funded from the Electoral Area “G” grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the cost of providing services to their community such as hot lunches, community meals, Christmas hampers, gardening supplies, and bussing for field trips.

[EASC 2017-166]

CARRIED

8.9 Proposed landscape improvements at FVRD's Deroche Office

Discussion ensued regarding picnic table design material and cost implications. Clarification was provided regarding the Electoral Area Administration Budget.

NIEMI / STOBART

THAT the Electoral Area Services Committee direct Staff to include a budget of \$12,000 in the Electoral Area Administration service to provide for landscape improvements at the Deroche Sub-Office in 2018.

[EASC 2017-167]

CARRIED

9. ENGINEERING & UTILITIES

9.1 Application for Crown Land Tenure for Frosst Creek Flood Protection Works Upper Sediment Basins

DIXON / KASSIAN

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board endorse the application for Crown Land Tenureship for the Frosst Creek Flood Protection Works Upper Sediment Basin, legally known as: Lot 13 of plan NWP64452, located in Sections 9 and 16, in Township 22 East of the Coast Meridian

[EASC 2017-168]

CARRIED

9.2 Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment No. 1459, 2017

NIEMI / DIXON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board consider giving three readings and adoption to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1459, 2017*.

[EASC 2017-169]

CARRIED

10. PLANNING, BUILDING INSPECTION AND BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

10.1 Turris Telecommunications Tower Proposal for 9792 Gray Road, Electoral Area "D"

Discussion ensued regarding the implication of voltage and the effects on detonators.

STOBBART / DUFRESNE

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board respond to the referral from Turris Communications for the installation of a new telecommunications tower at 9792 Gray Road, Electoral Area `D`, with the following comments:

1. Turris Communications has satisfactorily completed its consultation with the Fraser Valley Regional District.
2. The FVRD Board concurs with the proposal by Turris Communications Inc. to construct a telecommunications tower and facility provided it is constructed substantially in accordance with the plans submitted to the FVRD. The site is located on private property known as 9792 Gray Road – Electoral Area D (PID 013-160-443).
3. Turris Communications will obtain an FVRD building permit prior to construction.

[EASC 2017-170]

CARRIED

10.2 Zoning Amendment for 11223 Stave Lake Road, Electoral Area "F"

BOUCHER / STOBBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board defer Zoning Amendment application 2017-01 to the January 2018 EASC meeting and provide the applicants an opportunity to explore consolidating the A-2 zoned agricultural lands.

[EASC 2017-171]

CARRIED

10.3 Development Variance Permit 2017-24 to vary frontage requirement for a two lot subdivision at 36333 Ridgeview Road, Electoral Area "F"

BOUCHER / KASSIAN

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District issue Development Variance Permit 2017-26 to reduce the minimum required parcel frontage from 10% to 4.5% for a proposed 2 lot subdivision at 36333 Ridgeview Road, Electoral Area `F`, subject to consideration of any comments or concerns raised by the public.

[EASC 017-172]

CARRIED

11. ADDENDA ITEMS/LATE ITEMS

None

12. REPORTS BY STAFF

Mr. Gipps reported that each Director has been provided with FVRD Christmas cards for sharing and distribution.

13. REPORTS BY ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS

Director Niemi, Electoral Area C - Thanked staff for their hard work.

Director Dixon, Electoral Area H - Reported it has been quiet in Electoral Area 'H'. The Annual Cultus Christmas event was successful despite the weather. Lakeside development property road construction is taking place, however workers are doing a good job of keeping corner safe and work should finish by approximately December 31, 2017. Director Dixon is looking forward to presenting at the Parks Board meeting December 13, 2017.

Alternate Director Kassian, Electoral Area B – Reported the Christmas Dinner at Yale Hall with the Volunteer Fire Department and Ratepayers Association had 200 people in attendance. The Volunteer Fire Department will be distributing gifts to children on the 23rd. Yale Ratepayers will be distributing food hampers. Alternate Director Kassian reported on recent local efforts to assist with an elderly gentleman after he had been displaced due to a fire. Assistance included site cleanup and moving of another trailer onto the site.

Alternate Director Dufresne, Electoral Area A – Reported on a well-attended Seniors Dinner, and noted a successful 'Stuff the Cruiser' event which raised both funds and food for the local Food Bank.

Director Boucher, Electoral Area F – Reported on a slight improvement in cell phone coverage in the area.

Alternate Director McNeary, Electoral Area E – Reported attending a Ratepayers meeting last night, and noted the appreciation of the Regional District's help with respect to the homeless camp clean up.

Director Dickey, Electoral Area D – Reported there is still a lot of development in Area D, and noted a recent Fraser Valley Regional Library Board meeting which saw an increase in budget.

14. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

None.

15. ADJOURNMENT

STOBART / BOUCHER

THAT the Electoral Area Services Committee Open Meeting of December 12, 2017 be adjourned.

[EASC 2017-173]

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55pm.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:
Director Bill Dickey, Chair