

FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Wednesday, December 20, 2017

FVRD Boardroom, 45950 Cheam Avenue, Chilliwack, BC

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Present:

Director Jason Lum, City of Chilliwack, Chair
Director Pam Alexis, District of Mission
Director Dennis Adamson, Electoral Area B
Director Ray Boucher, Electoral Area F
Director Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford
Director Kelly Chahal, City of Abbotsford
Director Bill Dickey, Electoral Area D
Director Taryn Dixon, Electoral Area H
Alt. Director Robert Dufresne, Electoral Area A
Director Orion Engar, Electoral Area E
Director Leo Facio, Village of Harrison Hot Springs

Director Sharon Gaetz, City of Chilliwack
Director Moe Gill, City of Abbotsford
Director Jim Hinds, District of Mission
Director Dave Loewen, City of Abbotsford
Director Alec Niemi, Electoral Area C
Director Patricia Ross, City of Abbotsford
Director Ross Siemens, City of Abbotsford
Director Chuck Stam, City of Chilliwack
Director Al Stobbart, Electoral Area G
Director John Van Laerhoven, District of Kent
Director Wilfried Vicktor, District of Hope

Regrets:

Director Terry Raymond, Electoral Area A Director Sam Waddington, City of Chilliwack

Staff Present:

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer
Mike Veenbaas, Director of Finance/CFO
Suzanne Gresham, Director of Corporate Initiatives
Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering and Community Services
Barclay Pitkethly, Director of Regional Programs
Stacey Barker, Deputy Director of Regional Programs
Margaret Thornton, Director of Planning and Development
Jaime Schween, Manager of Corporate Administration
Tyler Davis, Network Analyst 1
Amanda Molloy, Executive Assistant to CAO and Board of Directors
Cathy Squires, Executive Assistant

Also in attendance were three members of the public.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. REMARKS BY HONOURARY BOARD CHAIR

Chair Lum invited Board Director Leo Facio to introduce Honourary Chair Lloyd Forman. Director Facio shared that Mr. Forman was first elected to the Regional District of Fraser Cheam and served as Director for Electoral Area "A" between 1979 and 1990, and served as Chair to the Regional District of Fraser Cheam between 1987 and 1990. Following amalgamation, Mr. Forman returned as Director for Electoral Area "A" between 2009 and 2014. Chair Lum noted the Honourary Gavel will be sent to Mr. Forman, who could not attend this evening's meeting.

Remarks were offered by Lloyd Forman by way of a letter written for the occasion. Mr. Forman shared that he is very honoured to be asked to take part in the FVRD's 50th Anniversary celebrations, and reflected on his time working with District and all CAOs and staff. Mr. Forman wished the Board Directors well in all endeavors moving forward.

The Open Meeting recessed at 7:04 pm.

The Open Meeting reconvened at 7:07pm.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS

FACIO/DUFRESNE

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Inaugural Meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of December 20, 2017 be approved;;

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

[BD 2017-335]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

5. BOARD MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING

5.1 <u>Inaugural Board Meeting - November 28, 2017</u>

ROSS/ALEXIS

THAT the Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of November 28, 2017 be adopted.

[BD 2017-336]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

5.1 Committee of the Whole - November 28, 2017

BOUCHER/GAETZ

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 28, 2017 be adopted. [BD 2017-337]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

6. COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MINUTES FOR INFORMATION AND MATTERS ARISING

None.

7. CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

7.1 <u>2018 FVRD Board and Committee Meeting Schedule</u>

VAN LAERHOVEN/DIXON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the proposed 2018 FVRD Board and Committee Meeting Schedule.

[BD 2017-338]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

7.2 Appointment of Volunteer Fire Department Members

ENGAR/CHAHAL

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board appoint the following volunteer fire department recruit members in accordance with the Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area Volunteer Fire Department Establishment and Regulation Bylaw No. 1198, 2013.

Chilliwack River Valley VFD

Karl Volkman Devan Van Tongeren

Columbia Valley VFD

Stephany Struys

[BD 2017-339]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

7.3 <u>UBCM Electoral Area Directors Forum and Local Government Leadership Academy</u> <u>Forum: January 30 to February 2, 2018</u>

NIEMI/ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize Electoral Area Directors, as designated, to attend the 2018 Electoral Area Directors Forum and Local Government Leadership Academy Forum being held in Richmond, BC between January 30 and February 2, 2018;

AND THAT registration fees, accommodation and travel expenses be approved from Budget 102.

[BD 2017-340]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

7.4 <u>INDIGENOUS RELATIONS</u>

7.4.1 FVARC Visioning Session Results

STOBBART/ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board support a process to engage First Nation leadership and organizations to further the FVARC re-visioning process. [BD 2017-341]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

7.4.2 FVRD and SXTA Community-to-Community Forum

The corporate report dated December 6, 2017 from Jessica Morrison, Policy Analyst – First Nations, was received for information.

8. FINANCE

8.1 Grant-in-Aid Request - Dewdney Elementary School PAC, Electoral Area "G"

STOBBART/DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$3,000 to the Dewdney Elementary School PAC, funded from the Electoral Area "G" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the cost of providing services to their students such as hot lunches, Christmas hampers, warm clothing, and admission and bussing for field trips.

[BD 2017-342]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

8.2 <u>Grant-in-Aid - Dewdney Elementary School PAC, Electoral Area "G"</u>

STOBBART/BOUCHER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$2,500 to the Dewdney Elementary School PAC, funded from the Electoral Area "G" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the cost of an outdoor shelter, facilitating outdoor learning and community involvement.

[BD 2017-343]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

BYLAWS

9.1 FVRD Regional Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1455, 2017

BRAUN/HINDS

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1455, 2017. **[BD 2017-344]**

CARRIED All/Unweighted

STOBBART/BRAUN

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1455, 2017.

[BD 2017-345]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

9.2 <u>FVRD Regional Parks Vedder River Campground Reserve Fund Establishment</u> Bylaw No. 1462, 2017

FACIO/ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Parks Vedder River Campground Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 1462, 2017.

[BD 2017-346]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

GAETZ/GILL

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Parks Vedder River Campground Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 1462, 2017.

[BD 2017-347]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

STAM/DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Parks Vedder River Campground Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 1462, 2017.

[BD 2017-348]

CARRIED All/Unweighted (2/3 Majority)

9.3 FVRD Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 1463, 2017

SIEMENS/GAETZ

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 1463, 2017. [BD 2017-349]

CARRIED All/Weighted

FACIO/DICKEY

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 1463, 2017. **[BD 2017-350]**

CARRIED All/Weighted

STAM/NIEMI

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 1463, 2017.

[BD 2017-351]

CARRIED All/Weighted (2/3 Majority)

DIXON/BOUCHER

THAT the motion granting first reading to the bylaw cited as Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016 be rescinded.

[BD 2017-352]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

DIXON/ADAMSON

THAT Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016 be given a new first reading.

[BD 2017-353]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

STOBBART/ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016 be forwarded to Public Hearing;

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board delegate the holding of the Public Hearing with respect to the proposed Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016 to Director Dixon or her alternate in her absence;

THAT Director Dixon or her alternate in her absence, preside over and Chair the Public Hearing with respect to proposed Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016;

AND THAT the Chair of the Public Hearing be authorized to establish procedural rules for the conduct of the Public Hearing with respect to proposed Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016 in accordance with the Local Government Act; and

AND FURTHER THAT in the absence of Director Dixon, or her alternate in her absence at the time of the Public Hearing with respect to proposed Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016, the Fraser Valley Regional District Board Chair is delegated the authority to designate who shall preside over and Chair the Public Hearing regarding this matter.

[BD 2017-354]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize its signatories to execute all documents relating Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Zoning Bylaw No. 1375, 2016.

[BD 2017-355]

CARRIED All/Weighted (2/3 Majority)

9.5 <u>Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment No. 1459, 2017</u>

ADAMSON/STOBBART

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give first reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1459, 2017.

[BD 2017-356]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

ADAMSON/BOUCHER

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give second and third reading to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1459, 2017.

[BD 2017-357]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

DICKEY/DUFRESNE

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1459, 2017. [BD 2017-358]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted (2/3 Majority)

9.6 <u>FVRD Hope and District Recreation Centre Fees and Other Charges Amendment</u> Bylaw No. 1464, 2017

VICKTOR/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. 1464, 2017.

[BD 2017-359]

CARRIED

Hope and Area B/Weighted

ADAMSON/VICKTOR

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. 1464, 2017.

[BD 2017-360]

CARRIED

Hope and Area B/Weighted

VICKTOR/ADAMSON

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. 1464, 2017.

[BD 2017-361]

CARRIED

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

10. PERMITS

10.1 <u>Development Variance Permit 2017-26 to vary frontage requirement for a two lot subdivision at 36333 Ridgeview Road, Electoral Area "F"</u>

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

BOUCHER/DIXON

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.

[BD 2017-362]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

11. CONTRACTS, COVENANTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

11.1 Mesh Exchange and the FVRD – Potential Pilot Project to Reduce Food Waste

Discussion ensued regarding the programs offered through Mesh Exchange, and concerns were raised regarding liability, Federal regulations, as well as food safety.

It was also noted that reports on this pilot project will be brought forward to the FVRD Waste Wise, Environmental Stewardship & Zero Waste Working Group, before a full report is brought to the Board.

Concerns were raised regarding the flow of information from Committee level to Board level.

ROSS/HINDS

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to formulate a contract with Mesh Exchange for a 24 month term for the total sum of \$25,000 for the Food Mesh Fraser Valley pilot project.

[BD 2017-363]

CARRIED All/Weighted Director Adamson Opposed

11.2 Geothermal District Energy - Assessment

STAM/VAN LAERHOVEN

THAT staff sole source GEOptimize Inc. for the purpose of undertaking an assessment of the Recreation Centre and curling rink to determine the technical and financial feasibility of a geothermal heat pump system installation;

AND THAT staff be authorized to enter into a service agreement with GEOptimize Inc. in the amount of thirty one thousand dollars for this purpose. [BD 2017-364]

CARRIED All/Weighted

12. OTHER MATTERS

12.1 Fraser Basin Council - Fraser Valley Update, December 2017

A written monthly update from Fraser Basin Council dated December 2017 was received for information.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

13.1 CONSENT AGENDA – FULL BOARD

STOBBART/NIEMI

THAT the following Consent Agenda items 13.1.1 to 13.1.10 be endorsed:

- 13.1.1 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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **13.1.4 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.
- **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.
- 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.
- 13.1.7 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.

- 13.1.8 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.
- **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.
- **13.1.10 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. [BD 2017-365]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

13.2 CONSENT AGENDA – ELECTORAL AREAS

DICKEY/BOUCHER

THAT the following Consent Agenda items 13.2.1 to 13.2.2 be endorsed:

- **13.2.1 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.
- **13.2.2 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.

[BD 2017-366]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

13.3 CONSENT AGENDA – ELECTORAL AREAS A, B & HOPE

VICKTOR/DUFRESNE

THAT the following Consent Agenda item 13.3.1 be endorsed:

13.3.1 THAT the conference room, mezzanine and arena floor (if available), including tables and chairs, be provided at no charge to School District 78 for the purposes of hosting the 2nd Annual Science and Career Fair on Thursday, April 26th, 2018.

[BD 2017-367]

CARRIED Areas A, B & Hope/Weighted

13.4 CONSENT AGENDA – ELECTORAL AREA B & HOPE

ADAMSON/VICKTOR

THAT the following Consent Agenda items 13.4.1 and 13.4.2 be endorsed:

- **13.4.1 THAT** the Recreation, Culture and Airpark Service Commission enable use of the arena at a rate of \$444.00 for the Hope and District Figure Skating Club for their annual ice show scheduled for Saturday, March 10, 2018.
- **13.4.2 THAT** the Hope RiverMonsters Swim Club be provided use of the Dan Sharrers Aquatic Centre on June 9th and 10th, 2018 at no charge for the purposes of hosting a summer swim meet;

AND THAT the Recreation, Culture & Airpark Services Commission support the District of Hope Special Event Application by the Hope RiverMonsers Swim Club for use of the 6th Avenue Park field to enable overnight camping for the swim meet;

AND FINALLY THAT the Hope RiverMonsters Swim Club incur associated lifeguarding fees for the duration of the swim meet.

[BD 2017-368]

CARRIED
Area B & Hope/Weighted

14. ADDENDA ITEMS / LATE ITEMS

14.1 Grant-in-Aid Request - Eagle Point Community Association, Electoral Area "C"

NIEMI/ADAMSON

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Eagle Point Community Association in the amount of \$2,000 to be funded from the 2017 Electoral Area "C" grant-in-aid budget to help offset the costs associated with the purchase of an easy-up tent structure.

[BD 2017-369]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

14.2 <u>Cascade Lower Canyon Community Forest Dividend Allocation</u>

ADAMSON/CHAHAL

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board allocate the dividend received from the Cascade Lower Canyon Community Forest to Yale Ratepayers Association in the amount of \$1,500 for the Yale Community Food Bank, to Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association in the amount of \$1,500 for community outreach events, and to Hope Community Services in the amount of \$2,000 for the Hope & District Food Bank.

[BD 2017-370]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

14.3 <u>FVRD Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1349, 2015 – 12174 Hodgkins Road, Lake Errock, Electoral Area "C"</u>

Director Niemi noted that further information gathered by staff will be mutually beneficial to all parties, and will assist in responding to questions and comments raised at the public hearing.

NIEMI/ADAMSON

THAT proposed Fraser Valley Regional District Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1349, 2015 be referred back to staff and the Electoral Area Services Committee for further consideration and to address community concerns regarding the wetlands and site drainage. [BD 2017-371]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

14.4 <u>FVRD Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1350, 2015 - 12174 Hodgkins Road, Lake Errock, Electoral Area "C"</u>

NIEMI/ADAMSON

THAT proposed Fraser Valley Regional District Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1350, 2015 be referred back to staff and the Electoral Area Services Committee for further consideration and to address community concerns regarding the wetlands and site drainage.

[BD 2017-372]

CARRIED EAs/Unweighted

15. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence were provided for information:

- 15.1 Letter dated November 29, 2017 from District of Sicamous regarding 'Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels'.
- Letter of Support from Village of Harrison Hot Springs with respect to District of Sicamous' concerns and threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels in the Province.
- Letter of concern dated December 6, 2017 from District of Clearwater regarding 'Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels'.
- 15.4 Thompson-Nicola Regional District Board Highlights November 24, 2017
- 15.5 Corporate report dated December 12, 2017 from Environmental Services Coordinator regarding 'Air Quality and Agriculture in the FVRD'.
- 15.6 Corporate report dated December 12, 2017 from Environmental Services Technician and Environmental Planner regarding 'Invasive Weed Control Program 2017 Summary'.
- 15.7 Interim Report of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Inquiry.
- 15.8 Report on the Jumbo Glacier SCC Decision Ktunaxa v MFLNRO
- 15.9 Sema:th First Nation Update
- 15.10 Letter of concern from Town of Oliver dated December 13, 2017 regarding 'Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels'.
- 15.11 Letter from District of West Kelowna regarding support to lobby the Province to agree to 50% of the provincial share of the cannabis tax sharing formula be provided to local governments.

Discussion ensued regarding item 15.5. It was noted that FVRD staff will be collecting all information and reporting to date, and compiling it all into a much larger, comprehensive report to the Board. It was also noted that the FVRD is not considering a regulatory approach to Air Quality Management, and will be focusing all efforts on educating the public and working collaboratively with all member municipalities, the Ministry of Agriculture, and the Agriculture Centre of Excellence at the University of the Fraser Valley.

Chair Lum suggested the Board hold a Committee of the Whole meeting or perhaps put together a smaller working group, that can collect all reports and review research done up to this point, and review direction with staff.

16. REPORTS BY STAFF

None.

17. REPORTS BY BOARD DIRECTORS

<u>Director Facio</u> wished everyone a happy holiday season and is looking forward to seeing everyone in the New Year. Director Facio also announced in July 2018 there will be an FVRD golf tournament, with more details to come forward in the next few months.

<u>Chair Lum</u> wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season, and thanked Directors and staff for all of their work in 2017.

18. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

None.

19. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

FACIO/DIXON

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)(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; and
- Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the regional district 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.

[BD 2017-373]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

The Open Meeting recessed at 8:14pm.

20. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The Open Meeting reconvened at 9:09pm.

Director Gaetz asked staff if there were any updated Translink statistics for the Fraser Valley. Mr. Pitkethly noted that the FVRD will be conducting surveys for this information in 2018, and will bring a report to the Board for information.

21. RISE AND REPORT OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

None.

22. ADJOURNMENT

FACIO/VAN LAERHOVE

THAT the Inaugural Meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of December 20, 2017 be adjourned.

[BD 2017-374]

CARRIED All/Unweighted

The Open Meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Jason Lum, Chair	Corporate Officer/Deputy
	Director
MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:	