



FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT
REGIONAL AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE
OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 16, 2025
10:00 am

In person at FVRD Boardroom & by Zoom Conference Call

- Members Present:** Director Patricia Ross, City of Abbotsford, Chair (*Zoom*)
Director Chris Kloot, City of Chilliwack, Vice Chair
Director Cory Cassel, Electoral Area G
Director Bill Dickey, Electoral Area D
Director Paul Horn, City of Mission
Director Patti MacAhonic, Electoral Area E
Director Sylvia Pranger, District of Kent
Director Ross Siemens, City of Abbotsford
Director Victor Smith, District of Hope
Director Mel Waardenburg, Electoral Area C
- Regrets:** Director Leo Facio, Village of Harrison Hot Springs
Director Ken Popove, City of Chilliwack
- Staff Present:** Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer
Kelly Lownsbrough, Director of Corporate Services & CFO
Jaime Van Nes, Director of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Stacey Barker, Deputy CAO/Director of Regional Services
Lauren Olynick, Deputy Corporate Officer
David Urban, Manager of Integrated Planning & Engagement
Christina Vugteveen, Manager of Parks
Lance Lilley, Manager of Environmental Services
Sam Piper, Manager of Communications
Beth Klein, Controller/Deputy CFO (*Zoom*)
Melissa Geddert, Acting Manager of Integrated Planning and Engagement (*Zoom*)
Melanie Jones, Accountant (*Zoom*)
Kinga Al-Mubarak, Accountant (*Zoom*)
K.C. Brennan, Planning Assistant (*Zoom*)
Theresa Alexander, Planner I (*Zoom*)
Riley Smith, Planning Technician (*Zoom*)
Lucas Thompson, Network Analyst III
Amanda Molloy, Administrative Manager
Keely Hill, Executive Assistant (*recording secretary*)
- Also Present:** Director Diane Johnson, Electoral Area A

Director Taryn Dixon, Electoral Area H (*Zoom*)

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Vice Chair Kloot provided introductory remarks recognizing the homeland of the 31 First Nations located within the Fraser Valley Regional District.

2. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDENDA AND LATE ITEMS**

Moved By PRANGER
Seconded By SMITH

THAT the Agenda, Addenda and Late Items for the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting of January 16, 2025 be approved;

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

CARRIED

4. **MINUTES/MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 **Draft Regional and Corporate Services Committee Meeting Minutes - December 5, 2024**

Moved By HORN
Seconded By CASSEL

THAT the Minutes of the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting of December 5, 2024 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

5.1 **FVRD Intergovernmental Relations Committee Terms of Reference**

Comments were offered regarding importance of this new committee highlighting that it will provide an outlet to identify needs and help develop a plan to advocate to other levels of government.

Moved By SIEMENS
Seconded By SMITH

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the Fraser Valley Regional District Intergovernmental Relations Committee Terms of Reference.

CARRIED

5.2 FVRD Flood Resiliency Committee Terms of Reference

Comments were offered noting the importance of this new committee and the opportunity to work alongside Metro Vancouver.

Discussion ensued regarding the Terms of Reference and a suggestion was made to include the coordination, where possible, with flood management tables throughout the region.

Moved By PRANGER
Seconded By MACAHONIC

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board adopt the Fraser Valley Regional District Flood Resiliency Committee Terms of Reference.

CARRIED

5.3 2025 Holiday Closure of FVRD Corporate Offices

Moved By PRANGER
Seconded By WAARDENBURG

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve the closure of the FVRD Corporate Offices to the public on December 29, 30, 31, 2025.

CARRIED

6. REGIONAL SERVICES

6.1 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

6.1.1 Invasive Weed Control Program 2024 Year-End Summary

The staff report dated January 16, 2025 by Vanessa Hart, Environmental Services Technician was provided for information.

6.2 INDIGENOUS RELATIONS

6.2.1 UBCM's Regional Community to Community Program – FVRD and Sts'ailes Forum Grant Application

Moved By WAARDENBURG
Seconded By SMITH

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve an application to the Union of BC Municipalities' 2024/2025 Regional Community to Community Program to facilitate a forum with Sts'ailes First Nation, and confirm that the Fraser Valley Regional District will manage this grant, as required by the funder, should the grant application be approved.

CARRIED

6.3 REGIONAL PARKS

6.3.1 Airpark Hangar Lease Renewal Valley Helicopters

Moved By HORN
Seconded By SMITH

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize its signatories to enter into a five year agreement with Valley Helicopters for the purpose of a hangar land lease located at the Fraser Valley Regional Airpark in Hope.

CARRIED

7. ADDENDA ITEMS/LATE ITEMS

No items.

8. REPORTS BY STAFF

No items.

9. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS

No items.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD FOR ITEMS RELEVANT TO AGENDA

No questions were asked online or in person and no written correspondence was received.

11. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

Moved By CASSEL
Seconded By PRANGER

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

- Section 90(1)(g) of the *Community Charter* - litigation or potential litigation affecting the regional district;
- Section 90(1)(j) of the *Community Charter* - information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the [Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act](#);
- 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.

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CARRIED

The open meeting recessed at 10:19am.

12. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The open meeting reconvened at 10:45am.

13. RISE AND REPORT OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

No items.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By SIEMENS
Seconded By SMITH

THAT the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open Meeting of January 16, 2025 be adjourned.

CARRIED

The Fraser Valley Regional District Regional and Corporate Services Committee Open meeting of January 16, 2025 adjourned at 10:45am.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Director Patricia Ross, Chair

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Corporate Officer/Deputy

