

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of the Council of the Village of Fruitvale held on September 14, 2020 in the Council Chambers and on Zoom video conference.

Council Present:	Mayor:	Steve Morissette
	Councillors:	Vickie Fitzpatrick Lindsay Kenny Bert Kniss Bill Wenman
Staff Present:	CAO: Corporate Officer:	Kelli Tuttle Sarah VanderPloeg
Media Present:		0
Gallery:		1 Public

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Morissette called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**2020-09-14-01**

MOVED Fitzpatrick / SECONDED Kniss

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

### **DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS**

Laurie Carr, Development Coordinator, Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society

Laurie Carr shared a presentation with Council reviewing the state of invasive species in the Fruitvale area as well as the role of local governments in controlling the spread of invasive species. Council asked for more information regarding grant funding to support invasive species control initiatives led by local governments and the utility of different types of invasive species control.

Public Access Protection Society

Lindsay Kenny presented to Council on behalf of the Public Access Protection Society and petitioned for support of a fee waiver for a Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act request regarding road maintenance records. Council asked for clarification regarding the connection to the Village of Fruitvale and whether support has been acquired from the regional district. More information will be brought to the October Council meeting and discussion by Council will be deferred until that time.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 6, 2020**2020-09-14-02**

MOVED Fitzpatrick / SECONDED Kenny

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held July 6, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on August 10, 2020**2020-09-14-03**

MOVED Fitzpatrick / SECONDED Kenny

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held August 10, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**CONSENT AGENDA****FOR INFORMATION ONLY CORRESPONDENCE**

- Elections BC - Use of Municipal Facilities for voting
- Greater Trail and District RCMP - 2nd Quarter Report and 2020 to date Report
- UBCM 2020 Convention Teleconference Guide
- Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Government - Update
- Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Building Permit Statistics to July 31, 2020
- Fortis BC - Reduction of Greenhouse Gas
- Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital Health Foundation - thank you
- Selkirk Paving Ltd. - COVID-19 Letter
- BCSPCA - Fruitvale Animal Control report for July and August 2020
- Agricultural Institute of BC - The "Langford Decision" and the Application of the Architects Act
- Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC - United Nations International Day of the Older Persons
- metaltechalley - August 2020 Newsletter
- Thank you from J. Lavigne, JL Crowe Graduate

**2020-09-14-04**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT the For Information Only Correspondence be received and that Council supports the use of the Fruitvale Memorial Hall by Elections BC.

CARRIED

**STAFF REPORTS**

- a. S. Bradford, BV Age Friendly Coordinator Report
- b. T. Gallamore, BV Youth Action Network Report
- c. Council shared that they received positive feedback regarding the student gardeners.
- d. K. Tuttle, Chief Administrative Officer Report

Council discussed the barrier placed on the Beaver Street foot bridge and considered ways to further reduce the ability of individuals to cross the bridge on motorized vehicles while still allowing Village staff to remove snow build up.

**2020-09-14-05**

MOVED Fitzpatrick / SECONDED Kenny

THAT the staff reports from S. Bradford, BV Age Friendly Coordinator, T. Gallamore, BVYAN Coordinator and K. Tuttle, Chief Administrative Officer be received as presented and appended to the minutes as available.

CARRIED

August Trial Balance Report

Action Items from Council Meetings Listing

**2020-09-14-06**

MOVED Fitzpatrick / SECONDED Kenny

THAT the August Trial Balance report and the Action Items from Council Meeting listing be received as presented.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE  
REPORTS**

## **Council Member Reports**

a. Councillor Fitzpatrick Report

- b. Councillor Fitzpatrick provided an update on the Fall Market and asked Council to considering selecting an earlier date for Candy Cane Lane. Council was also asked to discuss how Remembrance Day could be held while observing the COVID-19 restrictions.

c. Councillor Kenny Report

d. Councillor Kniss Report

e. Councillor Wenman Report

Councillor Wenman raised concerns regarding the repair of the railway crossing on Highway 3B.

**2020-09-14-07**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Kenny

THAT Council directs staff to contact the Ministry of Transportation to investigate the opportunity to add a white line to the railway crossing to clearly delineate the roadway and shoulder.

CARRIED

f. Mayor/RDKB Director Steve Morissette Report

**2020-09-14-08**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Kenny

THAT the Council Member reports be received as presented and appended to the minutes as available.

CARRIED

## **Committee of the Whole Recommendations - NIL**

## **CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION**

- a. Village of Kaslo Request - A Strategy for Rural Economic Development Through Healthcare

**2020-09-14-09**

MOVED Kenny / SECONDED Wenman

THAT Council directs staff to gather more information regarding the intention of the request prior to making a determination regarding Council's interest in providing support.

CARRIED

b. City of Nelson - invitation to attend virtual UBCM Convention

Council determined that they would attend the UBCM Convention virtually.

**2020-09-14-10**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Kenny

THAT staff respond to the City of Nelson concerning Council's intentions to participate in the UBCM Convention virtually, from their own offices.

CARRIED

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NIL**

**NEW BUSINESS**

c. Lot 8, Block J, Plan 785B, District Lot 1236, DL 26 Kootenay, PID 015-939-656 - 1911 Highway 3B - Recommendation for Section 57 Notice of Title due to illegal construction

**2020-09-14-11**

MOVED Kniss / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT the Council of the Village of Fruitvale confirm the recommendations of the Building Inspector and direct the Corporate Officer to file a notice in the land title office pursuant to *Community Charter*, Chapter 25, SBC 2002, Part 3, Section 57 against property located at 1911 Highway 3B, legally described as Lot 8, Block J, Plan 785C, DL 1236, KD, PID 015-839-656, stating that:

- a. Council resolution relating to the subject property has been made under this section regarding a contravention of building regulations; and
- b. Further information about it may be inspected at the municipal offices.

CARRIED

d. In-Person Council Meetings

**2020-09-14-12**

MOVED Fitzpatrick / SECONDED Kniss

THAT Council receive the report for information and defer discussion on developing a re-opening plan for future in-person Council Meetings until Public Health Orders regarding COVID-19 are rescinded and guidance is provided regarding a safe return to normal.

CARRIED

e. Addition of Associated Member to MIA Policy

**2020-09-14-13**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT Council approves the addition of Shawna Bradford as an associated member to the Village of Fruitvale's Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia policy.

CARRIED

**BYLAWS/POLICIES**

a. Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 921, 2020

**2020-09-14-14**

MOVED Kniss / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT "Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 921, 2020" be read a first time.

CARRIED

**2020-09-14-15**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT "Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 921, 2020" be read a second time.

CARRIED

**2020-09-14-16**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT "Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 921, 2020" be read a third time.

CARRIED

b. PER-2020-01 COVID-19 Management Policy

**2020-09-15-17**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Fitzpatrick

THAT Council adopt the changes to PER-2020-01 COVID-19 Management Policy and approve the Policy as presented.

CARRIED

**OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)**

Council discussed the confusion regarding the contest to rename the Haines Park Complex and will clarify this in the upcoming Village newsletter in the Mayor's letter.

Councillors reported receiving positive feedback following the open house and thanked staff for their efforts to organize the open house.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – NIL**

**QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA/PUBLIC  
RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Rankle asked for further information regarding the purpose of the Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw and expressed concern about the number of transient individuals travelling between Trail and Fruitvale.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**2020-09-15-18**

MOVED Wenman / SECONDED Kniss

THAT the regular meeting adjourn at 7:42 pm.

CARRIED

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Mayor

Certified Correct:

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Chief Administrative Officer



# BEAVER VALLEY AGE FRIENDLY PROGRAM

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## REPORT:

**Date:** September 2020  
**To:** Council  
**From:** Shawna Bradford, BV Age Friendly Coordinator  
**SUBJECT:** Beaver Valley Age Friendly Program

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The following is a summary report of the BV Age Friendly Program for the month of September 2020. I officially transitioned into the full role of BV Age Friendly Coordinator as of August 1, 2020.

### **Building Age Friendly Capacity: Transition Update**

It has been a busy month since taking the reins of the BV Age Friendly Coordinator position! I have spent a significant amount of time over the past month connecting with all the various stakeholders and organizations that work with the AF program. As part of our transition planning, Barb provided personal introductions to each contact, introducing me in the role and this helped me to easily establish a point of entry and an opportunity to connect and learn more about the various resources and programs that exist within both the local and greater senior's community. I have made connections with each of the various stakeholders and have begun to book meetings to learn more about how the various resources support the seniors in the Age Friendly Program.

### **Age Friendly Program Survey**

In August, we sent out an AF Program Evaluation survey, specifically targeting program engagement for seniors in the BV. The focus was on COVID-19 and how people would prefer to engage in AF programs. The survey was sent out in the mail to seek feedback and input from those over 50 years of age and living in the Beaver Valley, as we look to program planning over the next quarter. We had 22 responses from the mailed-out surveys and an additional 25 surveys completed at the Fruitvale Fall Market, where I represented the Age Friendly Program, held in August 2020.

The results were interesting, as the overwhelming majority of seniors (76%) indicated an interest in participating in in-person events, including 71% interested in attending an in-person luncheon and 69% wishing to participate in an in-person coffee group. 50% of survey respondents were interested in participating in a pre-ordered monthly boxed lunch for pick up and 45% of people were interested in learning more about virtual ways to connect through the Zoom platform. This data was extremely valuable, in terms of understanding our senior's interests and comfort level when it comes to AF programs. Unfortunately, due to recent changes from provincial guidelines regarding stand-alone banquet halls, we have been advised that we need to halt any further in-person activities out of the Fruitvale Memorial Hall until we have further direction on the parameters of using the hall as our program hub.

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# BEAVER VALLEY AGE FRIENDLY PROGRAM

## **Seniors' Coffee and Luncheons**

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, we held our first in-person event since February 2020, with 8 participants joining us at the FMH for a coffee meeting, following all current COVID-19 safety protocols, including posting our current COVID-19 safety plan. We discussed options for virtual training (Zoom) through CBAL and had a robust conversation regarding the value of the AF program and plans as we move forward. I had proposed that we would put the monthly in-person luncheon on hold for the time being, as the current max for a group is 50 and we cannot safely provide an in-person event that is available to all seniors following current COVID guidelines. We also discussed offering a weekly in-person coffee group, which the senior's overwhelming agreed they would prefer to a virtual coffee group. I proposed that we could provide a pre-ordered boxed lunch available monthly, which many of the seniors responded to favorably, especially those who were not interested in the in-person activities. As well, I suggested a number of small group activities that I would like to make available throughout the week at the hall which the seniors also approved, however this is currently on hold due to the current closure of stand-alone banquet halls, per direction from Kelli Tuttle. This is also the case for the proposed monthly Montrose coffee group, as I spoke to Larry Plotnikoff about AF options and Montrose Council is not opening their facility to the public at this time.

## **Columbia Basin Trust Grant Application**

We are very pleased to have received this grant and I am currently working on developing a budget for the proposed activities in this new era of COVID programming, as this may look different than it has historically. I have also proposed that we submit a quarterly report to Council on the remaining balance of the grant and how funds have been utilized within the program, to enhance transparency and build trust within the AF Community. There would also be a report provided to the AF seniors at the December coffee group with the same goal.

## **Age Friendly Community Connection**

During the summer, I have connected with Heather Anderson, AF Coordinator for Rossland, Warfield and Trail and we have been working on planning some joint Zoom meetings for seniors with various senior-focused community organizations to enhance both resources and social opportunities. We are also hoping to form a group with other AF Coordinators in the East and West Kootenays to enhance connection and share ideas as we navigate these challenging times.

## **Community Kitchens**

Community Kitchens ran a very successful 12-week pilot over the summer and I am pleased to share that the funding was renewed and we will be offering another 12-week session starting on September 18<sup>th</sup> - December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We were able to feed a 3-course meal to 18 individuals in Fruitvale area, including 3 families, several individuals and 6 seniors at the BV Manor. This initiative is provided in collaboration with the Greater Trail Community Skills Centre and is funded through the CBT, as well as other supporters. It is focused on poverty

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## BEAVER VALLEY AGE FRIENDLY PROGRAM

reduction in communities across the country and was extremely well-received by the participants in the Beaver Valley.

### **Senior's Branch #44**

I have connected with Bob Bastian and we are looking at ways we can partner together to run programs like a regular Bingo social and possibly a trivia night in the months ahead. We will be continuing to work on new ways of partnering together as we plan for the next three months. I am excited to work with Bob, as I know we have the same goals at heart for the seniors of the Beaver Valley.

Despite the challenges of the pandemic, I am excited to create new opportunities for BV seniors and look forward to building even more capacity into this amazing program!

Respectfully,  
Shawna Bradford, RN, BSN  
BV Age Friendly Coordinator

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## REPORT:

**Date:** July & August 2020  
**To:** Councillor Youth Liaison Portfolio  
**From:** Tammy Gallamore, Youth Coordinator  
**SUBJECT:** Beaver Valley Youth Action Network (BVYAN)

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**The following is a summary report of the BVYAN events for July and August 2020.**

**July 7, 14, 21, 28, 2020** - CBT and Youth Action Network Coordinators decided to keep meeting on Zoom every other Tuesday through the summer months. Coordinators felt it was important to discuss ideas and brainstorm on things that have been working across the Basin.

**July 2, 2020 – August 21, 2020** – The Summer Gardener position is an 8-week paid summer student position that started on July 2, 2020. Four younger Beaver Valley YAN members applied to volunteer and clean-up the community. They started on July 6, working two hours a day, for three weeks. The volunteers were supervised by me (Tammy), and the student Summer Gardener. The downtown was extremely tidy when the volunteers were finished and many compliments on a job well done were received. It was a very successful program.

The following link is for the article that was in the Trail Times:

<https://www.trailtimes.ca/community/youthful-exuberance-and-talent-beautifies-the-beaver-valley/?fbclid=IwAR0yFhhVKgaJjUCnyfonGVmsOaLhLmgDKdGCkcK0pyukAaKK2ciWJ5WG1mE>

**August 4,18, 2020** – CBT Youth Coordinators discuss game plan for upcoming year.

**August 15, 2020** - CBT Annual Report – The Final Report for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

**August 24, 2020** – BV YAN tested new equipment, generator, heaters, tents, and movie screen, for an upcoming movie once Covid 19 protocols change.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Gallamore  
BV Youth Club Coordinator



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**Date:** September 14, 2020  
**To:** Mayor and Council  
**From:** Kelli Tuttle, CAO  
**SUBJECT: CAO Report**

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**Introduction and Analysis:**

The CAO Report to Council provides information on the operations of the Village to September 14, 2020.

1. Uncollected tax payments at the end of August 2020 amount to \$171,373 out of total collections of \$3,142,935 or 5.5% of total taxation revenue.
2. Former Middle School Project Master Planning.
  - a. The next steps in the project development are important to continue the momentum and launch the first phase in the development of the project. The next steps, budget and progress:

1.	Prepare application for seed funding with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)	\$ 4,750	January 15, 2021	In progress City Spaces
2.	Prepare non-construction-ready application for Community Housing Fund (CHF)	4,750	January 2021	Proceed after #3 completed
3.	Site plan and floor plate information required for basic CHF application	5,000	January 2021	In progress City Spaces
4.	Child care needs assessment	6,000	November 2020	Beaver Valley public survey ready for distribution
5.	BC New Spaces Fund submission	6,000	November 2020	Proceed after #4 & #6 completed
6.	Conceptual site and building plans to prepare BC New Spaces submission	2,500	November 2020	In progress City Spaces
7.	Public communication and engagement re: Master Plan	4,700	September 12, 2020	Open House held Sept. 12, 2020 Material posted on Village website
8.	RFP for the Middle School building demolition	<u>10,000</u>	September 2020	Researching grant opportunities
	Total Costs for Next Steps	<u>\$43,700</u>		

- b. Staff have been researching grants to support the demolition of the former Middle School. Unfortunately, grant opportunities have not materialized due to the nature of the project and the end result as a housing development.
3. Water Works:

- a. The power outage on Monday due to the wind knocked out the uninterrupted power supply (UPS) at the water treatment plant causing operational failures with the monitoring equipment. The UPS has been replaced.
  - b. Variable frequency drive (VFD) unit failed at water well #2. The well has been taken out of service until a replacement unit can be installed.
4. Public Works:
- a. An entry barrier has been installed in front of the Beaver Street footbridge in response to a complaint that motorcycles and quads are using the bridge and at high speeds. The barrier is not meant to control access, but rather to slow the speeds as motorized vehicles need to make a 90 degree turn to enter the bridge. During the winter Public Works provides snow clearing and ice control along the bridge and the adjoining roadway where ice buildup is particularly problematic. Crews will need to access the bridge and paved apron throughout the winter which will require the barriers to be either moved further back from the bridge or removed altogether. Unlicensed vehicles are not allowed on public roadways and if residents are witnessing unlicensed vehicles anywhere in town including crossing the bridge, they should be advised to contact the RCMP. The more complaints RCMP receive the more likely the area is to be recognized as a concern warranting patrol.
  - b. Crews have installed 3 new sewer service lines over the summer months.
  - c. The FMC Fitness Gym floor has been repaired.
  - d. Street signs have been ordered to complete the Village's annual street sign maintenance program. Signs ordered include school zone signs for installation along Laurier Ave.
  - e. Cemetery fencing is ready for installation. The construction contractor is preparing the foundational work and the project is on schedule to finish this fall.
  - f. Summer receiving environment monitoring program at the sewer treatment plant to comply with the Village's sewer treatment permit has been completed. Results will be compiled and forwarded to Urban Systems for assessment.
  - g. Completed annual sewer treatment plant maintenance.
  - h. Lewis Park Diamond enhancements have been completed and new fencing installed.
  - i. A number of funerals postponed due to COVID were undertaken during the summer months.
  - j. Vactor truck and operator were dispatched to Montrose for three days to assist with infrastructure issues.
  - k. Sewer Treatment Plant SCADA is 65% complete. Assessment is completed, design completed, installation is proceeding.
  - l. Investigated causes and removed several hanging flower baskets throughout the summer. All baskets were getting water, but possibly too

much water or the drain from the water reservoir to the soil was clogged. All baskets will be removed as soon as scheduling allows.

- m. Staff took the lead on the Haines Park 10 Year Plan design and layout.
- n. Various CCTV inspections performed throughout the Village.
- o. Blower Building painting expected to be scheduled for completion this fall.
- p. Pine Ave and Mountain St paving is scheduled and waiting for contractor availability to pave.
- q. Kootenay Avenue Storm Drainage project is pending grant submission reply. If the grant submission is successful, the Village will have the opportunity to fully complete the entire scope of the project by using the approved budget of \$60,000 as the Village's portion to match grant funding.

5. Corporate Services:

- a. The Public Art Committee has chosen an art project to be placed in the Rain Garden. The project was initially expected to be completed by the end of October, but the deadline was too tight for most artists that submitted proposals and the Village was given an extension of the grant submission deadline from Columbia Basin Trust. The project will be completed in early spring with an unveiling ceremony. Until that time the Committee will not be releasing any details of the project. Council and the Public are asked to wait with anticipation for spring 2021.
- b. Staff have been working to update the Village's bylaws and strengthen enforcement potential. While working towards voluntary compliance is the main goal and first step in all enforcement issues, ensuring the Village is prepared to enforce bylaws with stronger actions is imperative to meeting our community vision. Throughout the summer property standards and unsightly properties have been the focus and staff noticed that written complaints have rarely been completed which makes the job of enforcement much more difficult. Council and staff are being asked, when they receive verbal complaints, to have the complainant come into the office or go online to fill out a written complaint form. Written complaints help the Village not only track the numbers and types of complaints, but also help support Village claims if increased enforcement escalates.
- c. The Village has missed the August 31<sup>st</sup> deadline for financial reporting and the annual report and annual meeting. Audited financial statements have not yet been received. The Village's financial auditor has had obstacles to completing the audit due to COVID-19.
- d. Staff are using a new Staff Report format for reports submitted to Council. The format is a recommended format of the Local Government Management Association and provides for a more in-depth analysis of the topic which is better organized and more easily read and interpreted. The format provides Council with a recommendation at the beginning of the report which may be used as an executive summary. The format then proceeds to provide background information on the topic and a detailed analysis of discussion items.

Council is asked to provide feedback on how well the report format provides the needed information for Council decision making.

- e. Arrangements are being made to have all staff participate in a one-day workshop dealing with creating a respectful workplace. New COVID-19 orders may impact hosting the workshop at this time.
  - f. Council requested a meeting with the Honorable Selina Robinson; the meeting request was denied.
  - g. The Community Garden project is proceeding. The Village will construct a hut from locally sourced timbers provided by Atco Wood Products with a similar appearance to the shed located at the Atco Wood yard. Fencing for the project will be repurposed from the fencing removed from Haines Park if possible. Garden beds have been purchased and delivered and are awaiting installation in the spring of 2021.
  - h. Before proceeding with the Community Garden project, the Village has been in discussions with the Ministry of Environment to remove car bodies from the Creek below the garden site. The Ministry has asked for an environmental analysis of the affects on the Creek from the removal of the car bodies. Staff applied for grant funding to support the analysis work and were not successful but will continue to research resources to fund the analysis.
  - i. The continuing problems with the retaining wall along the creek in Creekside Park were also referred to the Ministry of Environment with a recommendation to perform an environmental analysis of the affects on the Creek.
  - j. A media consultant has performed a needs assessment for media equipment in the FMC. An equipment quote is pending.
6. COVID-19 Response:
- a. Staff have been researching grant opportunities to reopen the FMC Fitness Gym without any success. In order to reopen, the Village is required to provide full-time monitoring of the facility and a high standard cleaning and disinfecting routine along with an appointment booking system. The facility also requires upgrades to the ventilation and air exchange with no use of fans which can spread the COVID-19 virus. Without funding support for staffing and upgrades, the facility will remain closed until the COVID state of emergency has ended or a plan for funding is in place. Village staff will refund all patrons who have paid user fees in advance from the middle of March 2020. Council is asked to consider deferring the Gym Trial Opening until a time when the gym can reopen safely and provide a full six-month trial.
  - b. September 8, 2020, Dr. Bonnie Henry announced new COVID-19 measures. British Columbians are asked to cut back on social contacts with fewer contacts especially in indoor spaces. Stand alone banquet halls are ordered closed. The Order affects the Fruitvale Memorial Center which is now closed to all rentals, with the exception of, the Community Kitchen and Age Friendly meal preparation programs which are prepared by one family bubble and provide a needed service during the state of emergency.

- c. As a reminder to Council, during these days of COVID, crews are unable to do street line painting. There is no safe COVID work plan that can be established that would enable crews to work so close to one another barring full PPE which is not practical for the Village or cost effective. Line painting was deemed not to be an essential service.
- d. Annual sewer line flushing and cleaning was not performed this summer due to COVID work planning.

**Current priorities:**

- 1. Monitoring developments in the spread of COVID-19
- 2. Preparing the 2019 SOFI and LGDE Report.
- 3. Coordinating 2020 capital and special projects.
- 4. Preparing statistical and background information and terms of reference used to guide the Economic Development Workplan and Re-branding project committee.
- 5. Budget 2021, Council Strategic Plan Review and BV Rec budget.

**Recommendations: N/A**

**Alternatives: N/A**

**Budget Impacts – N/A**

**Bylaw/Policy – N/A**





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## COUNCILLOR FITZPATRICK REPORT

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Report to Council for meeting dated September 14, 2020.

### **COMMITTEES**

**Affordable Housing** (Alternate for Councillors Kniss) - Nothing to report.

#### **Seniors Engagement:**

Shawna Bradford, BV Age Friendly Coordinator, had a booth at the August Summer Market educating the public on the Age Friendly program and having seniors fill out surveys.

Shawna had her first Age Friendly Coffee on September 8, 2020; it was very successful.

#### **Spirit Events** (All of Council):

The Village of Fruitvale August market was very successful. We had 20 vendors registered, 18 vendors showed. Our next market is September 18, 2020 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm; we currently have 14 vendors registered.

#### **Special Events** (with Councillor Kenny)

**Personnel Committee** (with Mayor Morrisette and Councillor Kniss) - Nothing to report

**Downtown Businesses** (with Councillor Wenman) - Nothing to report

**Municipal Insurance Association** (Alternate for Mayor Morissette):

### **GENERAL UPDATE**

I have concerns about the barricade put at the foot bridge that connects Beaver Street by the elementary school. The barricade still allows motorbikes to cross the bridge.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Vickie Fitzpatrick



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**COUNCILLOR KENNY REPORT**

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**COMMITTEES:**

**West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital Board**

Next meeting is scheduled for November 2020.

**PORTFOLIOS/LIAISONS:**

**Public Safety – RCMP & Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure**

- Nothing to report

**Spirit Events** - Nothing to report

**Heritage, Culture, Arts & Literacy** - Nothing to report

**BV May Days** - Nothing to report

**Fruitvale Elementary School PAC** - Nothing to report

**Special Events** - Nothing to report

**Public Works** - Nothing to report

Respectfully submitted,

**Councillor Lindsay Kenny**



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**COUNCILLOR KNISS REPORT**

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**COMMITTEES:**

**Finance and Budget Committee** (with Councillor Wenman) – nothing to report

**Personnel Committee** (with Mayor Morissette and Councillor Fitzpatrick) – Have not been aware of any issues regarding either office or public works crew personnel.

**PORTFOLIOS/LIAISONS:**

**Spirit Events** - Nothing to report

**Lower Columbia Affordable Housing Society** (with Councillor Fitzpatrick) – Newest housing project is coming along nicely in Trail. I expect to see some Society members at the Haines Park and Middle School Development Masterplans Open House on Saturday, September 12.

**BV May Days** - Nothing to report

**Heritage, Culture, Arts & Literacy** (with Councillor Kenny) – The Public Art Committee chose a nice sculpture for the Rain Garden at the Fruitvale Memorial Centre.

**OTHER**

I am looking forward to the discussions regarding the Haines Park pavilion.

Respectfully submitted,

**Councillor Bert Kniss**



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## **COUNCILLOR BILL WENMAN REPORT**

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Report to Council for meeting to be held on Monday 14 Sep 2020.

Date of Report 10:45 am Wed 10 Sep 2020.

### **COMMITTEES**

There have been no committee scheduled that I was a part of.

### **GENERAL UPDATE**

#### **Haines Park Master Plan**

Attended on site Haines Park Master Plan Meeting on 22 July 2020. It was very good informative meeting with a very sound draft Master Plan. Looking forward to Open House.

#### **Chamber of Commerce**

Attended an in person Chamber of Commerce Meeting 1200-2pm on Tuesday 18 Aug with. Half in person and half zoom. Main focus was Business Walk. I committed to conducting the walk in Fruitvale. I was asked to join the Trail Safety Task Force.

I attended the Chamber Business walk on Wed 2 Sep between 10am and 12noon. Fruitvale COOP, Magaw Motors, Subway, Valley Pineapple, Rossland Collison, Country Roads, Fruitvale Pharmacy, Sew-it Boat Tops & Upholstery & BV Animal Clinic were visited. They were asked about five survey questions.

#### **Railway Crossing Fruitvale**

Councillor Kenny and I were not too pleased with finished product at the Fruitvale Railway Crossing. We visited the site, took some measurements and pictures. There is a cable (tripping Hazard) sticking out of the ground. The No-Post on the NORTH WEST side of the track is off the road. The Highway appears to be the width of 20.6m from Hillcrest to Nelson Ave and even at the railway crossing. The painted paved shoulder is approximately 1.6m (3-5 feet) at Hillcrest and Nelson in order to delineate the soft shoulder that vehicles should not use for regular traffic and that bikes and pedestrians use. The white line that delineates the paved shoulder has been painted on both sides of the highway and then disappears to nothing on the NORTHWEST SIDE of the Railway Crossing which is misleading. There are no painted lines to delineate the paved shoulder on the on the SOUTH side (CANCO) or on the SOUTH EAST side (Pole Yard Lane). The following work is required:

- Correct the white line on NORTH WEST side and carry it on through the SOUTH side all the way past CANCO to MAIN STREET
- Properly place the No-Post on the NORTH WEST side
- Remove the electric Cable Tripping hazard on the SOUTH EAST side (Pole Yard Lane)
- Paint a white line from Eastview Street all the way to the Sidewalk just past pole Yard Lane.

This should be remedied as soon as possible.





NORTHWEST side looking SOUTH – Note painted white disappears. This is misleading as it appears as though there is no paved shoulder



NORTHWEST side looking SOUTH – Note painted Orange safety cone. There is concrete foundation square which the No-Post probably used to protect vehicles from hitting? White line non-existent. Should be 3-5 feet from the edge of the paved shoulder and carry onto Main Street.



NORTHWEST side looking SOUTH – Note painted white disappears. This is misleading as it appears as though there is no paved shoulder. No-Post is completely off the road and halfway into ditch



Old electric cable sticking out of ground on SOUTH EAST side (Pole Yard Lane)



No painted line from Eastview Street to Sidewalk



No painted line from Eastview Street to Sidewalk

Respectfully submitted,

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## *MAYOR STEVE MORISSETTE REPORT*

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Report to Council for meeting dated September 14, 2020.

### **COMMITTEES**

**Personnel:** No meeting to update.

**South Columbia Mayors and Regional District Directors Coalition:** No meeting to update.

**Highway 3 Mayors Coalition:** Was unable to attend Sept 10 meeting.

### **GENERAL UPDATE**

This has been a busy summer with a lot of Zoom meetings. The regular COVID response meetings with Selena Robinson have been halted since our July 2 meeting as the Gov't puts together a recovery plan.

Regional Inclusive Housing rep Ben Postmus invited me to attend an inclusive housing Zoom meeting July 23. There was a recently retired inclusive housing lead from the island in attendance, he explained that in his expert opinion there are three key pieces in a successful development:

1. Define who you want to serve with affordable housing (you cannot help everyone with one project).
2. Need an empathetic developer
3. Supportive municipality

He also said the further you can move a project into the private sector the better.

July 2 - Kelli, Jan Morton, Mark Brunton from CBT and myself held a Zoom meeting to discuss potential support for daycare from CBT.

July 28 - Kelly and I met with Jade Basi regarding the RDKB sponsored housing assessment.

July 30 was the July RDKB Board meeting.

August 5 was one of the meetings CBT held with Mayor's to develop the CBT short term plan, they are trying to develop a plan that will best support communities in the basin as we work through COVID. The topics that were brought up included:

- Connectivity/broadband
- Housing/lower income rentals

- Support for Selkirk College
- Support for Castlegar airport-losing upwards of \$75,000/month
- Food security
- Daycare
- struggling volunteer run societies
- struggling businesses

Some of the Opportunities for CBT included:

- Support for food producers
- Tourism support
- Support for volunteer organizations
- Robust outreach to businesses to identify their needs.

The plan is fast tracked as follows:

- Public can input the plan until Sept 11
- Input gathered will go to the board on Sept 25 following that meeting CBT will start acting on identified needs

## **Regional District Director Report**

### **BV Recreation:**

No meetings July or August. The BV Nitehawks and the KIJHL were trying to organize a non-spectator hockey season for the players but due to the fact that 90% of their revenue comes from spectators they tried to reduce all their costs and cover remaining costs with sponsorships and higher player fees but when they asked for commitments from players they couldn't get enough players to commit to the higher fees.

### **East End Services:**

No July or August meetings

### **East End Curbside Collection:**

No July or August meetings

### **RDKB Board of Directors:**

July 30 meeting took care of a lot of business as required around development variance permits etc throughout the RDKB, little of consequence to Fruitvale.

August 27 meeting consisted of the Auditors report and a lot of business from the west side of the RDKB, very little of direct consequence to Fruitvale with the exception of an opportunity for any and all citizens to participate in education and outreach around Firesmart. Completion of the RDI housing needs assessment has been delayed until November 30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mayor Steve Morissette