

# MINUTES Regular Council Meeting

4:00 PM - Monday, October 3, 2022

Fruitvale Memorial Center and Zoom Video Conference

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Fruitvale Council held on Monday, October 3, 2022 in the Fruitvale Memorial Center and Zoom Video Conference was called to order at 4:00 pm by Mayor Morissette with the following members present:

**PRESENT:** Mayor Morissette, Councillor Kenny, Councillor Kniss, Councillor

Wenman, and Startup

**EXCUSED:** Councillor Fitzpatrick

**STAFF:** Chief Administrative Officer Lashar, Chief Financial Officer Tuttle via

Zoom, Office Assistant Halifax and Public Works Foreman Startup

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### 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge and appreciate that the land on which we gather is the converging, traditional and unceded territory of the Sylix, Secwepemc, Sinixt and Ktunaxa Peoples as well as the Metis Peoples whose footsteps have also marked these lands.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RES-152-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kniss

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# 4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

#### A. Norma Stishenko - Animal Control and Animal Control Signage

Ms. Stishenko attended the Council meeting to ask Council to install signage around the Village informing the public that dogs must be on a leash and the person walking the dogs must be able to control the dog at all times. She explained that she has been attacked by a pitbull-type dog, once while walking her dog and once when she was on her own property. She and her dog sustained serious injuries and her dog has irreversible damage to his organs and his legs. She also stated that dog owners take their dogs to Fruitvale Park and let them run off-leash, using the park as a dog park, when in fact, dogs are supposed to be on a leash while in the park.

CAO Lashar informed Ms. Stishenko that the Village of Fruitvale will be utilizing the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary's bylaw officer starting sooner. The bylaw officer will be enforcing the Village's bylaws and will issue fines and tickets to offenders.

Mayor Morissette encourages the public to report any animal control incidents to the SPCA immediately so the SPCA can investigate the incident. Residents can also contact the Village Office with any bylaw contraventions. Staff to install a sign in the green space area on Barrett Drive informing dog owners to have their dog on a leash at all times.

Ms. Stishenko thanked Council for their time and left the meeting.

#### 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**A.** Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held September 6, 2022

Councillor Wenman indicated that the Special Council Meeting minutes of September 6, 2022 are missing information under 4. A - 2021 Annual Report. It should read "Councillor Wenman stated that the budget reduction for snow removal has reduced the level of service to substandard quality and needs to be addressed. Mayor Morissette agreed and asked staff to add the Snow Removal Policy to the upcoming Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda."

#### RES-153-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT the minutes from the Special Council meeting held September 6, 2022 be amended to include under Section 4. A - 2021 Annual Report "Councillor Wenman stated that the budget reduction for snow removal has reduced the level of service to substandard quality and needs to be addressed. Mayor Morissette agreed and asked staff to add the Snow Removal Policy to the upcoming Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda." AND FURTHER THAT the September 6, 2022 Special Council Meeting minutes be adopted amended.

**CARRIED** 

**B.** Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 6, 2022.

#### RES-154-2022

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Kniss

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held September 6, 2022 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### **C.** Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held September 26, 2022

Councillor Wenman reported that he was not in attendance at the September 26, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### RES-155-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT the minutes from the Committee of the Whole meeting held September 26, 2022 be amended to reflect Councillor Wenman's absence; AND FURTHER THAT the minutes be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED** 

**D.** <u>Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held September 26, 2022</u>

#### RES-156-2022

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Kniss

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held September 26, 2022 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

- **A.** For Information Only Correspondence
  - 1. SPCA Report to the end of August
  - 2. Communities in Bloom Newsletter dated September 8, 2022

#### **RES-157-2022**

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Wenman

THAT the For Information Only Correspondence be received as presented and filed.

**CARRIED** 

### 7. STAFF REPORTS

A. T. Gallamore, BV Youth Action Network Coordinator Report

Mayor Morissette thanked T. Gallamore and the BVYAN youths for helping at the Beaver Creek Clean-up event. It was nice to have them there.

**B.** <u>J. Startup, Public Works Foreman Report</u>

Public Works Foreman J. Startup spoke to his report:

- A discussion took place on the increase in the cost of sand from last year. He has made inquiries to other companies to supply sand, and also possibly going in with YRB for sand however this may not be an option as YRB may have different specifications to the Village's. He will contact other municipalities.
- The green gym equipment has been removed.
- There are over 1000 markers installed at the Fruitvale Memorial Cemetery. There is money in the budget for cleaning and leveling markers however the manpower is not there. This project will have to be done in stages.
- The Bocce Pits process has to be formalized.
- A discussion took place on the UV Bulbs and testing equipment at the Sewer Treatment Plant. Funds for UV bulbs have been allocated in the budget however it may be worth reallocating these funds to testing.
  - Staff was instructed to add this to the October 11, 2022 Special Meeting agenda.
- He met with the consultant to discuss Creekside Park. Various agencies need to be consulted prior to works starting along the creek such as the Department of Fisheries, First Nations, an environmental consultant and a hydrotechnical survey will be required. Permits from the Department of Fisheries and the First Nations could take six to eight months. We will have to take a 'phased in' approach to this project. Work won't be able to be started until 2024.

#### **C.** P. Lashar, Chief Administrative Officer Report

CAO Lashar spoke to her report. She is meeting with Affordable Housing every Monday. The meetings are going well and the Affordable Housing members have indicated that they are happy to be working directly with the CAO. The Childcare RFP is being reviewed and will be ready for posting soon.

Councillor Wenman commented on the Middle School Project Report. The report seems to be split into four sections, Childcare, Subdivision, Affordable Housing and Phase II. He would like to see the report broken down into these categories.

#### RES-158-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT the staff reports from T. Gallamore, J. Startup and P. Lashar be received as presented and appended to the minutes as available.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

# **Council Member Reports**

Councillor Fitzpatrick Report

Councillor Kenny Report

Councillor Kenny verbally reported the following:

- · Public safety and wildlife.
- BV May Days wind-up party is on October 16, 2022.
- Planning for 2023 BV May Days is underway.
- An application for a grant for the kiddie cars exhaust pipe and seatbelts has been sent out.
- She attended the Terry Fox Run.
- Fruitvale Elementary School is at capacity.
- Those in attendance at the Community Appreciation event hosted by the Selkirk Mountain Music Society had a great time.

Councillor Kniss Report - no report

Councillor Wenman Report - no report

Mayor/RDKB Director Morissette Report

Mayor Morissette spoke to his written report. He attended the UBCM Convention with CAO Lashar. It was a very successful convention. He was able to speak with five different ministers about various topics such as REN Energy, 'Net Zero' neighbourhoods and the middle school project.

Mayor Morissette updated Council on the Ren Energy project at Park Siding.

#### RES-159-2022

Moved by Kniss Seconded by Kenny

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

**CARRIED** 

# **Committee of the Whole Recommendations**

# 9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

A. <u>Letter from T. Buchner, Society for the Protection and Care of Seniors dated</u> <u>September 13, 2022 requesting monetary support towards the supply and installation of three benches, two along the route from the Kootenay</u> Boundary Regional Hospital parking lot to the main entrance and one at the drop-off area. Cost for the project is estimated at \$15,000.

Tabled to November 7, 2022 Council meeting. Mayor Morissette to reach out to T. Buchner.

# **B.** Letter from M. McKenzie dated September 20, 2022 requesting Council to open the GYM for all ages

Mayor Morissette spoke to this request. The trial period age for non-seniors was set at 20 to 49 because of there being no supervision at the Gym. Due to COVID, the gym had to be closed therefore the trial period is extended to December 31, 2022 after which a meeting will be held to discuss the outcome of the trial.

#### RES-160-2022

Moved by Kniss Seconded by Kenny

THAT the request from M. Mackenzie be tabled until after the trial period completes on December 31, 2022 and a consultation meeting is held; AND FURTHER THAT staff respond to M. Mackenzie informing her that her request has been tabled until the new year after the trial period and consultation meeting.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# **A.** <u>Village of Fruitvale Brand Strategy, Draft Childcare RFP and Economic Development Plan</u>

A discussion took place on funding. CFO Tuttle to prepare a report for Council on the exact hours used and what amount of funding is left.

#### RES-161-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT the current Village of Fruitvale logo be used until a decision can be made on a new logo.

**CARRIED** 

#### **B.** Electric Vehicle Purchase

#### RES-162-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kniss THAT Council authorize CFO Tuttle to transfer \$25,000 from the Climate Action account for small equipment to the Hybrid Truck purchase account;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes staff to issue a purchase order to AM Ford to secure the order of a hybrid electric vehicle for the public works department fleet.

**CARRIED** 

# C. Beaver Valley Bowling Club Monthly Rental Rate

#### RES-163-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT Council authorize Chief Administrative Office P. Lashar to negotiate a contract with the Beaver Valley Bowling Club for the 2023 year for a reduced flatrate monthly rent of \$900.00, which is comprised of the monthly rent plus the monthly utilities, with the stipulation that the BV Bowling Club agrees to open the lanes to the public on weekends;

AND FURTHER THAT the Beaver Valley Bowling Club provide Council with an annual report on January 1, 2023.

**CARRIED** 

#### 11. NEW BUSINESS

#### **A.** Assignment of Corporate Officer

#### **RES-164-2022**

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Kniss

THAT Council assign Prabhjot Lashar as Corporate Officer with the powers, duties and functions as specified in Section 147 of the Community Charter.

**CARRIED** 

### **B.** 2023 Cemetery Budget

#### RES-165-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT Council approve by resolution the 2023 Cemetery Budget for submission to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

**CARRIED** 

#### **C.** 2023 Recreation Budget

#### RES-166-2022

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Kniss THAT Council approve by resolution the 2023 Recreation Budget for submission to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

**CARRIED** 

#### **D.** 2023 Beaver Valley Water System Operating Budget

#### RES-167-2022

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Wenman

THAT the Council approve by resolution the 2023 Beaver Valley Water System Operating Budget for submission to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

**CARRIED** 

#### **E.** Remembrance Day Service - November 11

#### RES-168-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT the Village of Fruitvale organize a Remembrance Day Service on November 11, 2022 at the cenotaph;

AND FURTHER THAT in future years, the Fruitvale Memorial Centre is always available on November 11 for a community luncheon after the Remembrance Day Service.

**CARRIED** 

#### F. Village Office HVAC Replacement

#### RES-169-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT Council considers option number 2 to be the best option for the replacement of the HVAC system in the Village Office however it is not affordable at this time; AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes CFO Tuttle to allocate \$35,000 per year in Capital Reserve in 2023, 2024 and 2025 for HVAC replacement.

**CARRIED** 

# 12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

**A.** <u>Village of Fruitvale Operation and Maintenance of the Fruitvale Memorial</u> Cemetery Bylaw No.934,2022 - Reconsideration and adoption

#### RES-170-2022

Moved by Kenny Seconded by Kniss

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Operation and Maintenance of the Fruitvale Memorial Cemetery Bylaw No. 934, 2022 be reconsidered and finally adopted.

**CARRIED** 

**B.** <u>Village of Fruitvale Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 945, 2022 (Churches) - Reconsideration and adoption</u>

#### RES-171-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kenny

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw 945, 2022 be reconsidered and finally adopted.

**CARRIED** 

Village of Fruitvale Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 946, 2022 (NPO)
 Reconsideration and adoption

#### **RES-172-2022**

Moved by Kniss Seconded by Wenman

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 946, 2022 be finally adopted.

**CARRIED** 

**D.** Bylaw Complaints and Enforcement Policy ADM-2022-01 - Adoption

#### RES-173-2022

Moved by Wenman Seconded by Kniss

THAT the Bylaw Complaints and Enforcement Policy ADM-2022-01 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# 13. OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)

A discussion took place on what happens to the land when a long-term lease expires.

#### 14. NOTICE OF MOTION

# 15. QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA/PUBLIC RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

### 16. IN CAMERA SESSION

**CARRIED** 

# **17. ADJOURNMENT**

RES-1	74-	-2022
Moved	by	Kenny

THAT the meeting adjourn at 6:05 pm.

Chief Administrative Officer
Mayor

#### THE CORPORATION OF



# THE VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE

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#### **REPORT:**

Date: October 3, 2022

**To:** Councillor Youth Liaison Portfolio

**From:** Tammy Gallamore, Youth Coordinator

**SUBJECT:** Beaver Valley Youth Action Network (BVYAN)

The following is a summary report of the BVYAN to the end of September 2022.

**September 2022 – Beaver Valley Youth Action Network** – Setting up calendar for upcoming 2022 and 2023 events. Movie, Bowling, Glow Skates, Leadership and volunteer program is set up till end of 2022

**September 6, 2022 – Basin Youth Network - Coordinator Call -** zoom call with all Youth Action Basin Youth Network Opportunities & Reminders:

- 1. Coordinator Sessions The 2022 Coordinator Sessions will be held October 3 & 4 in Radium Hot Springs. Accommodation is provided at the Prestige Radium Hot Springs Resort for Sunday October 2 and Monday October 3. Currently there are 31 attendees from 23 Youth Networks planning to attend.
- 2. Mental Health First Aid for Adults who Interact with Youth will be held at the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre October 24 & 25 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Course description can be found at https://kootenays.cmha.bc.ca/mhfa-adults-who-interact-withyouth/
- 3. Basin Youth Network Leadership Summit is being held May 12 14, 2023 at the Kimberley Conference Centre. The Summit invites participants from established Community Youth Networks (up to 50 chaperones and 100 youth) to attend from 5:00 pm on Friday May 12, 2023 through 12 Noon Sunday May 14, 2023. Sessions are designed to inspire and increase meaningful youth engagement in communities, develop leadership skills and build a network among Basin youth and adults who work and interact with youth. Each network will be able to bring up to 4 youth and 2 adults. There is no cost to attend the Summit. Information about the basin wide online application process for youth and other details come out in November.

**September 15, 2022 – Beaver Valley Youth Action Network –** After meeting with Fruitvale Elementary School Principal Mike Page and grade 7 teachers D. Morrissett and M. Postnikoff, dates have been confirmed for Leadership Journey, Next Steps, and a volunteer program. Leadership Journey runs October 24 - 27, 2022 and the Next Steps Journey runs March 6 - 9, 2023. The Leaf Raking for Seniors volunteer program will take place the week before the Village's fall clean-up which is Friday October 28 and Monday, October 31, 2022.

**September 21, 2022 – Beaver Valley Youth Action Network - JL Crowe Courtyard –** A table was set up at 11:00 am. Students were able to approach the Basin Table which had Trail YAN, Rossland YAN and Beaver Valley YAN coordinators at it. We handed out brochures and information on our local youth programs.

**September 25, 2022 – Beaver Valley Youth Action Network –** World River Clean-Up Day. I attended this event with some BVYAN youth to help clean up Beaver Creek.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Gallamore BVYAN Coordinator



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#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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#### Memo:

**Date:** September 29, 2022 **To:** Mayor and Council

**From:** Public Works Foreman J. Startup

**Subject: Public Works Report** 

Mayor and Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to report on operations within the Public Works department. Some of the important items and concerns Public Works is currently dealing with are:

#### 1. Parks, Cemetery, and Green Spaces

- a. Lawn mowing season continues as the grasses are still requiring attention. Irrigation systems are scheduled to be shut down in early October and winterized. Alva Irrigation is contracted to blow out all our irrigation systems.
- b. Cemetery marker/grave maintenance continues. We are systematically trimming, raising, and levelling each marker as required. To date, we have completed approximately 25% of the total project. The cemetery has a total of approximately 1300 plots, including full burial and in-ground cremations. We estimate over 1000 markers are installed.
- c. During the roof replacement of the Bingo Structure, the existing sheeting was found to be mostly rotten and under sized for todays standards. Trail Roofing has removed the sheeting and replaced with the current minimum required thickness plywood. The new roof is expected to be completed nest week. The concession building roof is scheduled for replacement once they finish the Bingo Structure.
- d. Parslow Lock and Safe has provided a quote of \$3807.96 to supply and install programmable locks for the Haines Park Washrooms.
- e. The Cenotaph and bench area will be pressure washed and cleaned near the end of October in preparations for Remembrance Day ceremonies.
- f. The RV Park currently has tenants working shutdowns at local facilities. We will continue to provide utilities as long as weather permits. This will delay the winterizing of the water and irrigation systems connected to this service. The Sani-dump will also remain open as long as possible. It may be reasonable to shut down the RV park water yet still allow RV Park users access to fill their tanks from the potable water connection near the Sani-dump. Electrical and sanitary sewer can remain operable during the winter season.
- g. The "Green Gym" equipment has been removed and will be recycled. The concrete slabs and surrounding landscaping remain in place. Future use to be determined.

h. Bocce Pit design criteria has been scaled down and reissued. We received a bid from a local contractor and are awaiting approvals. We are hopeful to have this project before winter arrives, pending approvals and contractor scheduling.

#### 2. Facilities

- a. Seasonal HVAC inspections are underway for all facilities, including FMC, Office, and PW Shop. The office RTU suffered another component failure and has been inoperable while waiting for parts. Repairs will be completed as soon as parts are received.
- b. Village Office HVAC upgrade options have been provided for consideration. Three options were researched, including straight replacement of existing gas RTU, residential grade heat pumps and a commercial grade heat pump with building automation system. See item 11. e) on the Agenda, "Village Office HVAC Memo".
- c. Completion of the FMC projector installation is scheduled for early October. The audio cables have just recently been shipped but not yet received.

#### 3. Roads and Streets

- a. Winter sand quotation was received from our local supplier. Price has increased **133%** over last year. We will research other sand/gravel suppliers to obtain supply and delivery quotes for acceptable product.
- b. Roadside ditching and drainage control is planned for 2 weeks in October
- c. Dangerous trees along the railway corridor have been removed.
- d. Winter preparedness has begun. Residents will be reminded of policies and procedures in the monthly newsletter/flyers and Public Works will begin preparing equipment and infrastructure near the end of September.

#### 4. Fleet

- a. Research into the replacement pick up truck equipped with an electric or hybrid engine has resulted in a single option provided by a local dealership. AM Ford of Trail has provided a quotation on the supply and delivery of a 2023 F150 XL 4x4 truck with a 3.5L Eco-boost full Hybrid engine system. See item 10. c) on the agenda.
- b. All snow removal equipment and attachments have had rust proofing applied and is ready for installation.
- c. The Trackless sander distribution system (auger/bearings/pulleys/chain, etc) is currently being rebuilt.
- d. The 2019 JD tractor is scheduled for the major 1000-hour service at Brandt Tractor in Creston. We will haul it them on Oct 11<sup>th</sup> and collect it on Oct 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### 5. Sanitary Sewer Department

- a. Our application for a temporary authorisation re: ammonia has been received by the Federal government and notification to the province has been provided. At this time, our application has neither been approved or rejected. We continue to sample the effluent and receiving environment weekly as a result.
- b. Pond Weed in the Lagoons has once again become an issue. Daily removal prior to the UV cassettes is required. This is expected to continue until the colder weather arrives a growth of the weed slows.

- c. UV bulb replacement at the STP is looming. Bulb life is approximately 12,000 hours of runtime and we have recently surpassed this number.
- d. I&I Condition Assessments continues. Urban Systems Ltd is now reviewing the information and formulating a work plan that should provide a guiding document for future works.
- e. Grit Management Upgrades at the STP Headworks continue. Substantial Completion was originally set for Nov 31, 2022; however, we may be looking at a request from the contractor to extend this date as supply chain issues are causing delays.
- f. Repairs to the failed manhole/drop structure on Highway 3B in front of the Villager's Inn is complete.
- g. Problem Lines and Lift Stations to be cleaned in October.

#### 6. Projects

- a. Kootenay Ave Storm Sewer Replacement Phase 2 continues. The contract documents have been issued with a closing date of October 6<sup>th</sup>. We hope to have a recommendation to award the contract in front of Council by October 11<sup>th</sup>, with work to begin shortly there after.
- b. Masse Environmental will be providing a work plan and fee estimate re: removal of vehicle carcasses on Beaver Creek. Notification to the province, site assessment and plan are all that is required prior to completing the actual works.
- c. Creekside Community Park enhancements will require multiple agencies and consultants to formulate a plan. Discussions with Masse Environmental provided much insight into the scope of work required to get this project completed. Hydrotechnical engineering, structural engineering, environmental consultants, First Nations consultations and DFO notifications are just some of the requirements. It was suggested that schedule be developed with a phased approach. Design/engineering/ consultation in 2023 and actual works in the Fall of 2024 would be an aggressive approach. Budgets for each component would need to be developed as well.
- d. BVMS Development planning and site servicing meetings are ongoing.

I look forward to discussing any questions, comments or concerns that may arise from this report or any other items I may not have included.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Startup Public Works Foreman



#### **SUBJECT/TITLE**

CAO Report to October 3, 2022

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receive the CAO Report for information.

#### **ISSUE/PURPOSE**

To provide Village of Fruitvale Council information on the operations of the Village to October 3, 2022.

#### **STRATEGIC PRIORITY**

Open communication and information

#### **BACKGROUND**

The CAO report provides information to Council regarding the up-to-date operations of the Village to ensure active communication between Staff and Council.

#### **ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS**

N/A

#### **DISCUSSION**

- 1. Tax sale on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, gave the municipality a property.
- 2. Special Council meeting required on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 10am for taxes. Special council meeting October 11<sup>th</sup> to review tenders.
- 3. Cancel COW October 17<sup>th</sup> due to two special meetings.
- 4. Water Works Jeff
  - a. The tree removal at the Fruitvale tank is starting September 28th.
  - b. Well #1 has been taken offline and winterized. Well #2 will remain online for a couple more weeks.
  - c. I'll be trimming branches on the road to the Old UV Building in the next few days.
  - d. I'm working with Atco Wood Products in locating two water services that got buried with wood chips (at the end of Hepburn Rd.)
  - e. I have a meeting with Brain Sandi Sept.29th at the Fruitvale Elementary School in regards for him to change out the schools two fire hydrants.
  - f. Dam Audit meeting is scheduled for Oct.5th at 12:30 in the Council Chambers.
- 5. Public Works

See separate report from Public Works foreman.

- a. BC government in Nelson reviewing the Village's application to replace the outfall on Kootenay Ave Storm drainage into Beaver Creek. Masse is currently in the process of conducting a site assessment and writing a site plan for the project.
- b. Temporary Authorization for ammonia. So far, this application has neither been accepted or rejected.

#### 6. Corporate Services

- a. Mayor and CAO both attended UBCM and met with BC Housing staff.
- b. Richard Sieppert and Robin Piche contracts were not renewed.
- c. Bocce pitch refund to Regional District as it was given in error. Getting quotes.
- d. By-law officer call with Regional District to share services, will discuss changes to by-laws on October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022 meeting with council.
- e. Patricia Dehnel, interim CAO left on September 20th 2022
- f. Chief Elections Officer has sent out all the necessary paperwork.
- g. CAO and Foreman to attend Castlegar's two-day Emergency Management training on October  $4^{th}$  and  $5^{th}$  after a several years of no attendance.
- h. November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm is the swearing in ceremony for the new council

#### 7. Former Middle School Project Master Planning.

a. Weekly calls with request to abate taxes for the project:

1.	Prepare application for seed funding with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation	\$4,750	January 15, 2021	Received – CBT Grant
	(CMHC)		•	
2.	Prepare non-construction-ready application			Received – CBT Grant
	for Community Housing Fund (CHF)	4,750	January 2021	
3.	Site plan and floor plate information			Complete – CBT Grant
	required for basic CHF application	5,000	January 2021	
4.	Child care needs assessment	6,000	November 2020	Complete
5.	BC New Spaces Fund submission	6,000	November 2020	Received – CBT Grant
6.	Conceptual site and building plans to			Complete
	prepare BC New Spaces submission	2,500	November 2020	
7.	Public communication and engagement re:		September 12,	Complete
	Master Plan	4,700	2020	
8.	RFP for the Middle School building			Researching options
	demolition	10,000	September 2020	with Housing Hub to
				reuse
9.	Survey Site Plan incl: topo, environment			Completed with 100%
	features, property lines	<u>7,000</u>	December 2020	grant funding from CBT
	Total Costs for Next Steps	<u>\$50,700</u>		
10.	Plan of Subdivision Survey	15,000	January 2021	Phase I subdivision
				complete
11.	Discussions re: terms of long term lease w/LCAHS	0.00	January 2021	Reviewed w/Council
12.	Discussions re: Rezoning site or portions of site	0.00	February 2021	Not required at this point
13.	Development Cost Charge Bylaw Update		March 2021	In progress
14.	Researching Housing Hub Opportunities		September 2021	In progress
15.	Site Geotechnical Assessment	12,000	November 2021	Completed with no issues
16.	Site Servicing Plan		April 2022	Water, PW, Engineer
	-		-	collaborating
17.	Preparation to get duplex lots on the market		May 2022	Complete

18.	Engineering of site servicing	May 2022	Costs to be added to phase I servicing cost matrix
19.	Discussion w/LCAHS to add full school demo to BC Housing application; Agreement in preparation	August 2022	Preliminary meeting held, further research into impacts; agreement documents are being prepared with LCAHS.
20.	Duplex lot sale	June 2022	In-progress

# **Current Priorities**

- 1. Transition of CAO is ongoing
- 2. Vale Subdivision Engineer search Kelli
- 3. Environmental engineer search for Creekside Park 2023 Jason
- 4. 2023 budgeted projects.
- 5. Next steps in the software system upgrades Purchase orders, Tangible Capital Assets, Workorders Prab

#### **CONCLUSION**

The CAO report contains information to Council since the last Regular Council Meeting.



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# MAYOR STEVE MORISSETTE REPORT

# Report to Council October 3rd, 2022

#### **COMMITTEES**

**Personnel:** No meetings in September.

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

**Highway 3 Mayors Coalition:** We met at UBCM. We were updated on Highway 3 work in the East Kootenays and in our area. Work is continuing on the S-curves near Ymir, planning is ongoing to improve/widen the highway at the Brilliant Bluffs, and East of the Paulson Bridge, as well as prioritizing the narrow Erie Creek Bridge on the list for replacement. I also brought up the ongoing push (although it is not Hwy 3) to have the Waneta Bridge replaced as a step towards a low-level crossing that will remove most heavy commercial traffic from the Rossland Hill. We were disappointed to not receive an audience with the Minister of Highways as we represent several Municipalities and RD's.

#### **GENERAL UPDATE**

- Attended UBCM Sept 12-16<sup>th</sup> with our CAO. It was a very busy and productive UBCM for Fruitvale with long days, I will fill in the details verbally.
- RDKB Staff, Ali Grieve, and I met with REN Energy regarding some concerns they
  have about the environmental review process they feel they are being slowed to the
  point of jeopardizing their Park Siding Renewable Natural Gas plant. I committed to
  speaking to Ministry staff at UBCM on their behalf, which I was able to multiple times
  with overlapping Ministries.
- CAO, LCAHS Jan Morton & Lila, and City Spaces met to discuss the Affordable Housing project financing. We discussed forgoing the \$500,000 offer from BC Housing toward school demolition and reducing the taxable exemption contribution. We are receiving further reporting at this meeting.
- I attended IHA's Mayor's roundtable on-line event last week. IHA shared that their fall booster campaign will have access in all communities. They also shared it is unlikely that IHA will return to early pandemic restrictions. They also spoke about global Health care worker shortages and the strategies BC and IHA are taking:
  - 1) Streamline internationally educated nurses.
  - 2) expanding Health care education recruitment.
  - 3) Recruiting out of province "travel nurses".
  - 4) Investment in recruitment.
  - 5) Building an employee retention strategy.
  - 6) Flexibility in schedules to improve work/life balance

# **Regional District Director Report**

#### **BV** Recreation:

- Planning is near completion on the Railway Station, lease agreement with BNSF is the holdup to going out to tender on construction.
- We held a grand opening of the new pickleball court at Marsh Creek Family Park with a great turnout and everyone that wanted to try playing with some experience players showing us how did so.
- Age Friendly program will be holding monthly lunches beginning October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Upgrading of lighting in the BV Arena the mezzanine and hallways will be happening soon.

#### **East End Services:**

- Additional transit shelters to be added at the busier bus stops in the Beaver Valley. We have told staff that in the BV and Rossland we want locally designed and built timber frame structures, Trail and Warfield want locally designed and built more industrial looking shelters to fit with the Smelter. We all wanted local contractors to have the opportunity as well as avoiding the expensive BC Transit standard shelters which are all built in Ontario and shipped to BC.
- Fire services are seeing supply chain issues in ordering replacement equipment, but it is not impacting fire service delivery. They are also trying to address Paid on Call firefighter's wages which are at \$17/hour and have not been addressed since 2015.
- Our partnership with the RDKB on hiring a consultant to build our respective Active Transportation plans is at the point of checking references on two shortlisted proponents.

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

- The McKelvey Creek tender to upgrade and build a transfer station for curbside composting is closing October 7<sup>th</sup>.
- RDKB will be doing a waste audit to determine the amounts and types of waste by tonnage entering the landfill. This will determine future strategies at eliminating waste and getting it into the proper streams.

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

Meeting is following the submission date of this report.

Respectfully submitted, Mayor Steve Morissette