



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

4:00 PM - Monday, December 5, 2022

Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

The Village of Fruitvale Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, December 5, 2022 in Village Council Chambers and via Zoom Video Conference was called to order by Mayor Morissette at 4:00 pm with the following members present:

PRESENT: Mayor Morissette, Councillor Ellison, Councillor Mason, Councillor W. Startup, and Councillor Wenman

EXCUSED:

STAFF: Chief Administrative Officer P. Lashar, Public Works Foreman J. Startup, Recording Secretary T. Gallamore, and Chief Financial Officer K. Tuttle via Zoom

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2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge and appreciate that the land on which we gather is the converging, transitional 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-209-2022

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Startup

THAT the December 5, 2022 agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

- A.** Dr. Tobias Gelber, Dr. Libby McCoid and Ron Parisotto representing the Lower Columbia Community Health Centre Network - update on the progress towards a local CHC and ask about an appointment of a governance representative from Fruitvale

Dr. Tobias Gelber and Ron Parisotto representing the Lower Columbia Health Centre Network attended the meeting to update Council of the progress towards a local Community Health Centre and to ask Council to appointment a governance representative from the Village of Fruitvale.

They would like to develop an eleven (11) member board that is consists of seven community members, one from each municipality (Fruitvale, Montrose, Trail, Warfield, Rossland, RDKB Area A and RDKB Area B), one aboriginal representative and three at large representatives. There will also be two employees and a physician on the Executive Board who would be responsible for overhead. Council was asked to find a community representative from the Village of Fruitvale by the end of January 2023.

The hope is to establish two clinics in Trail, one in Fruitvale and one in Rossland, with the hopes that the first clinic is established in Fruitvale with a healthcare team under one umbrella and in the same building.

Dr. Gebler and Mr. Parisotto thanked Council for their time and left the meeting.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 7, 2022

RES-210-2022

Moved by Ellison

Seconded by Startup

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held November 7, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

B. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on November 21, 2022

RES-211-2022

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes from the Committee of the Whole meeting held on November 21, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. For Information Only Correspondence

1. Meghan Will, Executive Director, Homelessness Policy and Partnership Branch, Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing - follow-up letter from UBCM 2022 Staff Level Meeting
2. Congratulations from E-Comm911 and standing invitation to tour facilities in the Lower Mainland or Vancouver Island
3. Selkirk College State of the Basin newsletter dated 2022 - Issue 9
4. BCSPCA Animal Control Report to the end of October, 2022
5. BC Achievement Foundation - Community Awards Nomination deadline January 31, 2023.

RES-212-2022

Moved by Ellison

Seconded by Startup

THAT the For Information Only Correspondence be received.

CARRIED**7. STAFF REPORTS**

- A. T. Gallamore, BVYAN Coordinator Report
- B. J. Startup, Public Works Foreman Report
- C. P. Lashar, CAO Report

RES-213-2022

Moved by Ellison

Seconded by Wenman

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

CARRIED

- D. Action Items from Council Meetings List - For Information Only

8. COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**Council Member Reports**Councillor Ellison ReportCouncillor Mason ReportCouncillor Startup ReportCouncillor Wenman Report - verbal reportMayor/RDKB Director Morissette Report

RES-214-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

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

CARRIED

Committee of the Whole RecommendationsGift for outgoing Councillors**RES-215-2022**

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Startup

THAT staff be authorized to purchase a small gift for outgoing council members Vickie Fitzpatrick, Lindsay Kenny and Bert Kniss.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

- A.** Email dated November 27, 2022 from S. Frew requesting the path through Railway Park be added to the regular sidewalk snow removal list for pedestrians to use when walking from the Davis Avenue sidewalk to downtown Fruitvale.

RES-216-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Startup

THAT Council consider adding the Railway Park pathway to the sidewalk snow removal list for pedestrian use during the winter snow season.

CARRIED

- B.** Email dated November 30, 2022 from L. Bowcock, JL Crowe Grad Fundraising Committee requesting Christmas tree collection and disposal by the 2023 graduating class in exchange for a monetary donation

RES-217-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT Council authorize staff to reply to L. Bowcock, JL Crowe Grad Fundraising Committee thanking the committee for offering the service however staff currently takes care of this service and the Village already contributes to the graduating class with in-kind donation of the use of the Fruitvale Memorial Centre for dry grad.

CARRIED

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Board of Variance vacancy

Staff was instructed to place an expression of interest for the Board of Variance vacancy on the Village of Fruitvale website.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2023 Elected Officials Seminar - AKBLG Region - March 8 - 10, 2023 in Kimberley, BC

RES-218-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the mayor and councillors be approved to attend the 2023 Elected Officials Seminar - AKBLG Region being held March 8-10, 2023 in Kimberley, BC;
AND FURTHER THAT Council members inform Office Assistant K. Halifax of their intent to attend so accommodations can be arranged ASAP.

CARRIED

B. West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District - appointment of a Council representative and an alternate

RES-219-2022

Moved by Startup
Seconded by Ellison

THAT Councillor Bill Wenman be appointed to the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District and Mayor Steve Morissette be appointed alternate to the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

CARRIED

C. COVID Funding

RES-220-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Startup

THAT Council directs staff to allocate a portion of the COVID money for grants.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

- A.** Village of Fruitvale Wastewater System User Rates and Fees Bylaw No. 948, 2022 - Second and Third Readings

RES-221-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Wastewater System User Rates and Fees Bylaw No. 948, 2022 be read a second time.

CARRIED

- B.** Village of Fruitvale Solid Waste Control Bylaw No. 949, 2022 - Second and Third Readings

RES-222-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Solid Waste Control Bylaw No. 949, 2022 be read a second time.

CARRIED

- C.** Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw 950, 2022 - Second and Third Readings

RES-223-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 950, 2022 be read a second time.

CARRIED

- D.** Council Procedures Bylaw No. 951, 2022 - First, Second and Third Readings

RES-224-2022

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT Council Procedures Bylaw No. 951, 2022 be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

E. 2023 Budget Review Presentation

RES-225-2022

Moved by Startup

Seconded by Mason

THAT the regular meeting end time be extend to 8:00 pm to allow time for the 2023 Budget Review presentation.

CARRIED

CFO Tuttle presented the 2023 Budget Review to Council however due to meeting time restrictions, the presentation was stopped on Budget Background page 102. Continuation of the presentation will take place at a future meeting.

CFO Tuttle requested three or four budget sessions early January 2023 to discuss corporate expenditures.

RES-226-2022

Moved by Startup

Seconded by Mason

THAT staff be instructed to advertise a Notice of Special Committee of the Whole Meeting on Monday, January 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm for budget review.

CARRIED

13. OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)

A. Schedule a Special Council Meeting to adopt Council Procedure Bylaw No. 951, 2022

RES-227-2022

Moved by Mason

Seconded by Startup

THAT Staff be instructed to advertise a Notice of Special Council Meeting to adopt the Council Procedures Bylaw No. 951, 2022 on Friday, December 9, 2022 at 5:00 pm in Council Chambers.

CARRIED

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

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

16. IN CAMERA SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

RES-228-2022

Moved by Ellison

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:00 pm.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor



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REPORT:

Date: December 5, 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 November 2022.

November 18, 2022, Basin Youth Network – Beaver Valley YAN hosted a Glow Skate at the Beaver Valley arena with free skating, rentals and pizza.

November 11, 2022 – Beaver Valley YAN members along with BV Rangers took part in the Remembrance Day Service with the reciting of "In Flanders Fields".

November 14, 2022 – Beaver Valley Youth Action Network – Coordinator's Call.

Basin Youth Network (BYN) Updates Experiential Training based on input at the October Coordinator's sessions this training has been identified as a priority. The training aims to:

- Provide skill development with a focus on group process (communication, decision making, support, etc.);
- Develop facilitator knowledge to lead safe, inclusive and impactful experiences for groups;
- Increase facilitation skills and techniques that can be utilized in a variety of settings;
- Practice facilitation of activities with specifically defined outcomes in a supportive environment; and
- Increase the comfort and willingness to facilitate activities with groups of youth. The training is very helpful for people in your network who wish to facilitate the Leadership Journey programs and/or interactive youth input sessions. Planning is in progress to provide two trainings in the new year, 1 in the East Kootenays and one in the West.
- Portable Activity Kits at the Coordinator Sessions held in Cranbrook in 2017, each youth network was gifted a Portable Activity Kit. The kit came in a carry-on size, wheeled bag branded with the Trust logo and "Basin Youth Network Portable Activity Kit". It looks like: In your Basin Youth Network Portable Activity Kit you should find: 10 Place Spots 4 Marker Cones 1 Tubular Webbing 10 Blindfolds 1 - 10 Piece Throwables Kit 1 Bullring 1 rubber animal (could be a chicken, pig or cow, depending on your luck:) and; 1 Resource Guide. If you are unable to locate your kit, or if you find it and the contents are incomplete, please let Mike know. BYN

BYN Leadership Summit - Save the Date: May 12-14th, 2023 at the Kimberley Conference Centre. The Summit will invite participants from established Community Youth Networks (up to 50 chaperones and 100 youth) to attend from 5pm on Friday May 12th through noon on Sunday May 14th. 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 Package #1 will come to you by email about the basin wide online application process for youth and other details by the end of November. Other priorities brought up at the Coordinator Sessions Discussion regarding the following topics: Outdoor Council of Canada Supervisor Training – all networks that have OCC certified hiking field leaders should have someone from their legal entity participate in this course. This is being planned for the spring 2023.

November 29, 2022 – Beaver Valley Youth Action & Fruitvale Elementary Snow Shoveling Program - 39 youth shoveled seniors in need properties.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Gallamore
BVYAN Coordinator

“PRACTISE RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS”



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Public Works Report

Date: December 1, 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 have been:

1. Sport court:
 - a. All lighting replaced with LED fixtures.
 - b. Necessary materials have been purchased and delivered. Volunteers have started the process of building the outdoor ice rink and are hopeful to having it up and running before the Christmas school break.
2. Downtown Street Light:
 - a. A vehicle collision with one of our streetlight poles resulted in a damaged fixture. Replacement parts are approximately 6-8 weeks away.
 - b. Local electrical contractor investigating potential upgrades to all fixtures.
3. Snow Removal:
 - a. November snow fall of approximately 41cm was one of the heaviest in recent years for the month (see attached)
 - b. Policy amendments have been well received and proving to be beneficial to operations
4. Kootenay Ave Storm Upgrade construction has begun. The contractor is expected to be substantially complete by December 15th, with total completion in the Spring of 2023.
5. STP Grit Management project is delayed. The contractor is hopeful to take delivery of the components early in the New Year and begin installation in February 2023. Funding deadlines and compliance should not be impacted by this delay.
6. BVMS Development project: Along with the Waterworks department, have been working on the offsite servicing requirements with the design team. Road/sidewalk, sanitary, storm and water infrastructure design are all nearing completion with final drawings to be completed soon.
7. Public Works Training: Numerous PW employees have taken part in, or are scheduled for, various in-person and virtual training sessions in: Aerial Platform Safety, Dam Inspections, Confined Space Awareness and Entry, OFA-1, Supervisory and Leadership, Odor Control and Corrosion in Wastewater, WHMIS, and UV Disinfection

Respectfully submitted,

Jason

Snow Fall Data 2022-2023

Date	Conditions	Action	Equipment	Aggregate	Accumulation (cm)	# of events
November 4, 2022	wet snow/rain	nil	nil	nil	0.50	1
November 7, 2022	light snow	sand all	#06/605	mix	1.00	2
November 8, 2022	light snow	sand all	#06/605	mix	2.00	3
November 17, 2022	light snow	sand all	#06/605	mix	1.00	4
November 22, 2022	heavy snow	plow/sand all	all	mix	18.00	5
November 26, 2022	light snow	nil	nil	nil	1.00	6
November 28, 2022	light snow	sand all	#06/605	mix	1.00	7
November 29, 2022	light snow	sand priorities	#06/605	mix	1.00	8
November 30, 2022	snow	plow/sand all	all	mix	15.50	9
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Total cm=					41.00	
** Total cm multiplied by 0.3937 equals total inches=					x 0.3937	
Total inches=					16.14	

	Seasonal (Oct-Mar)		Year (Jan-Dec)	
2008/2009	269.50	156.00		
2009/2010	74.50	125.50		
2010/2011	229.00	200.50		
2011/2012	189.00	176.00		
2012/2013	135.00	136.50		
2013/2014	171.50	150.00		
2014/2015	122.50	167.00		
2015/2016	157.00	155.50		
2016/2017	201.00	223.50		
2017/2018	252.00	188.00		
2018/2019	223.00	201.00		
2019/2020	180.00	214.50		
2020/2021	156.00	170.50		
2021/2022	188.00	153.00		
2022/2023	41.00	223.50		
Max	269.50	125.50		
Min	74.50	174.19		
Average	182.00			

Largest Single Day:
Largest Single Storm:
Average Snow Fall: cm
Days w/10cm or more:
Days w/20cm or more:

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Nov	Dec
2008	---	---	---	3.50	153.00
2009	82.00	26.00	5.00	0.00	43.00
2010	26.50	0.00	0.00	43.00	51.00
2011	70.00	47.00	18.00	43.50	22.00
2012	50.50	56.50	16.50	8.00	59.50
2013	43.50	20.00	4.00	11.00	58.00
2014	49.00	30.50	23.00	25.00	22.50
2015	64.50	8.00	2.00	31.00	61.00
2016	57.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	90.50
2017	29.00	78.00	3.50	31.00	82.00
2018	80.00	51.00	8.00	10.00	64.50
2019	44.50	85.00	19.00	3.50	49.00
2020	102.00	20.50	5.00	37.00	44.00
2021	43.00	26.00	0.00	20.50	81.00
2022	61.50	21.50	3.50	41.00	
2023					
Max	102.00	85.00	23.00	43.50	153.00
Min	26.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	22.00
Average	57.36	34.14	7.68	20.53	62.93



December 5, 2022

SUBJECT/TITLE

CAO Report to December 5, 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 December 5, 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. December Staff party
2. Council binders completed
3. Water Works – from Jeff
 - The buried services will have to be located in the summer when the ground is not frozen. A main line valve can be closed if the house's water has to be shut off for any reason. It will only affect the two houses which the services have not been found yet.
 - Davis Ave air valve will have to wait until summer and pavers are back to work.
 - The control solenoids at the Balancing Tank had to be changed on Nov.24th. They stopped working on the 23rd night, causing a low-level alarm. I'm dealing with a supplier to get spare solenoids.
 - The annual Dam Inspection has been rescheduled for Dec.5th at 1:30PM
 - I'm following up with RDKB on updating the OMS Manual and the (DEP) Dam Emergency Plan from the Dam Audit. Locks have to be installed on the spillways so the public cannot tamper with the water elevation.
 - We are having to break ice daily on the Dam's spillways
 - Monticola is working on Kelly Main South. They haven't started logging yet.
 - The new UV reactors should be ready Dec.12th. Unfortunately, the wiper motors and the UVT monitor are on backorder. I'm waiting to hear back from Ramtech when they will be arriving and if we can use the old wiper motors so the New Reactors can be installed once they are on site.

- Looking into a new transfer pump for the Poly Aluminum Chloride.
- I've looked at the new drawing for the middle school project and would like to see a main line valve put in before the temporary blow off. Without this valve the whole property will have to be shut down to extend the main line to Green Rd.
- They are logging up Kelly Main South

4. Public Works

See separate report from Public Works foreman.

- a. Pole Removal Corner of Caughlin and Davis – Fortis BC
- b. Municipal planning on subdivision in the area is moving forward
- c. Prab/Jason and Trish to work on municipal planning issues
- d. OH&S has setup new meetings to engage staff

5. Corporate Services

- a. Prab and Tammy attended Selkirk College Career Day for resumes
- b. Prab submitted to union a part time employee request
- c. Union has submitted an inquiry on staffing
- d. WorkSafe BC wanted updates staff which we are providing
- e. Blue Cross is inquiring on our staff as well we are working on this request
- f. Union negotiations will ensue in the new year for contract talks
- g. Kelli to prepare draft budgets for review in coming months
- h. Working on a rezoning request
- i. Updating Active Transportation grant report
- j. Sent Bowling club new lease waiting on their approval
- k. Reviewing Asset Management proposal
- l. Prab and Mayor meeting with Ali Grieve Area A
- m. Prab and Mayor meeting with provincial Economic Development

6. Former Middle School Project Master Planning.

- a. **Childcare project:** RFP's are in and being reviewed
- b. **Affordable Housing:** Jason and Jeff sent feedback servicing for site. Prab following up with lawyer on lease agreement
- c. **Meeting:** Prab and Steve met with eco society and affordable housing

1.	Prepare application for seed funding with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)	\$4,750	January 15, 2021	Received – CBT Grant
2.	Prepare non-construction-ready application for Community Housing Fund (CHF)	4,750	January 2021	Received – CBT Grant
3.	Site plan and floor plate information required for basic CHF application	5,000	January 2021	Complete – CBT Grant
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 prepare BC New Spaces submission	2,500	November 2020	Complete
7.	Public communication and engagement re: Master Plan	4,700	September 12, 2020	Complete
8.	RFP for the Middle School building demolition	10,000	September 2020	Researching options with Housing Hub to reuse

9.	Survey Site Plan incl: topo, environment features, property lines	7,000	December 2020	Completed with 100% grant funding from CBT
	Total Costs for Next Steps	\$50,700		
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. Vale Subdivision Engineer search - Kelli
2. Environmental engineer search for Creekside Park 2023 - Jason
3. 2023 budgeted projects.
4. 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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COUNCILOR ELLISON REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on December 5, 2022.

November 2022 Report

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Personnel/Bargaining Committee

- I was appointed to the Personnel/Bargaining Committee by Mayor Morrisette.
- Councilor Wenman was dissatisfied with the reports received by the previous Council for this committee and thus Councilor Wenman was appointed to the Personnel/Bargaining Committee by Mayor Morrisette as well.

BV May Days Liaison

- I contacted Mike Hudson, President for Beaver Valley May Days and he stated the first meeting will be held in late November or early December 2022.
- An Open public meeting will be held in January or February 2023 for public input on ideas.

Council Spirit Events

- Nothing to report

OTHER

- I Attended the Council Orientation October 27, 2022.
- I Attended the Swearing In Ceremony at the Prestige Hotel in Rossland, BC November 3, 2022.
- I Attended a meeting for the Economic Trust of the Southern Interior (ETSI) meeting November 2, 2022 via Zoom.
- I was excited to attended my first Regular Council meeting on November 7, 2022.
- I Attended and laid the Village of Fruitvale Memorial Wreath at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day November 11, 2022.
- I was approached by the Trail Legion and they inquired as to why the Village of Fruitvale did not have a representative to lay the Remembrance Day Wreath at the Trail Cenotaph.
 - A Wreath is being laid by the Trail Legion at the Trail Cenotaph in honour of the Village of Fruitvale Veterans.
 - The Trail Legion acknowledged they have been doing this for quite a few years and would really like a representative from the Village to lay the Wreath.
 - Maybe we could arrange for a representative for next year.



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COUNCILOR ELLISON REPORT

- I was approached by several residents to have the Clock on Main Street repaired.
 - The Clock was donated by the Rotary Club.
 - I know Bert Kniss, previous Councilor, did a fair amount of work trying to have the clock repaired without success.
 - Would it be possible to keep the same clock face and contact Lauener Brothers Jewelers Ltd. in Trail to see if the clock can be repaired or the clock mechanisms can be replaced so the clock will be operational?
 - This appears to be something the residents of Fruitvale would like to see take place.

Respectfully submitted,
Councilor Catherine Ellison



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COUNCILLOR MASON REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on Monday December 5th, 2022 at 4:00 p.m..

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Council Spirit Events:

I look forward to attending the December 9th Village Christmas Party at the bowling alley.

Fruitvale PAC Liaison

I went ahead and contacted the Fruitvale PAC. I heard back from April Arnot. I am hoping to connect virtually at the next meeting on Dec. 5th from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Consequently, nothing to report at this time.

Trail & District Chamber of Commerce

I did not receive a connection e-mail from the Chamber. Therefore, I have sent an e-mail to start the connection. Nothing to report at this time.

Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Advisory Committee

I have not yet received a contact e-mail from the Treaty Advisory Committee. However, I have sent an e-mail to start the connection as well as read the website to become familiar with BC treaty negotiations processes, treaties, and agreements. There is much to learn. Visit <https://www.bctreaty.ca> for more information.

OTHER

Candy Cane Lane Christmas Celebration - As mentioned at the last council meeting, I would be happy to organize next year's Candy Cane Lane celebration for our community if Council is in favour. Unfortunately, with the election this year the date conflicted with prior engagements. If all is in favour, I would like to start the planning process in January and would like Council to consider a date for this event.

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Julia Mason



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COUNCILLOR STARTUP REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on December 5, 2022.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Lower Columbia Community Development Team Society (LCCDT):

1. Attended first meeting Nov 17
2. Skill Centre in Trail has purchased the old Service BC building (Konkin Building) and intend to undertake a renovation to make an accessible and inclusive space in downtown Trail. Additionally, it will have a 51% reduction in GHG. Estimated costs - \$3.5 million.
3. LCCDTS and LCIC are exploring structures and organizational models that will alleviate existing barriers and reduce overall costs. Preliminary talks so far.
4. Tourism – funding has been garnered to continue and expand the marketing of the Columbia River through the wesportfish.com initiative.
5. The Lower Columbia Initiatives Corporation:
 - a. continues to support and promote circular economy in the Region.
 - b. Metal Tech Alley continues to drive economic growth – ie. Battery recycling.
 - c. An RFP set to go out for a Connectivity Assessment of the area.
 - d. A land survey is underway to catalog real estate that would be available for economic activity.
6. Community Futures, Chamber of Commerce, LCIC and other interested partners are pursuing grant money from the Province to create a convention centre to be located in the Trail arena.

Council Spirit Events: No report

OTHER: no report

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Wes Startup



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THE VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE
In the "HEART OF THE BEAVER VALLEY"*

MAYOR/RDKB DIRECTOR MORISSETTE REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on December 5, 2022.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Personnel and Bargaining Committee:

No Meetings held this month.

Lower Columbia Affordable Housing Society Fruitvale Construction Committee:

Bi-weekly meeting held Monday November 28th, discussion about off-site utilities, roof structure with regard to potential for solar panels. It was decided that if they are able to do optional solar panels that it will be more cost effective to put them on stands on the grounds or over the parking lot. The contractor said with sales of power back to the grid at wholesale prices it makes the payback on solar lengthy, to enable large scale solar the provincial government must be lobbied to change the buyback of power to a rate higher than wholesale. Tentative groundbreaking this summer. Offsite services and roadway have been engineered to Fruitvale's standard (the standard chosen for the Pine Ave upgrade two years ago).

South Kootenay Green Link Committee:

We met with the Consultants hired to build the Active Transportation Plan for the RDKB on December 1st with Rossland, Trail, RDKB, and Fruitvale attending. We have set up a steering committee going forward. Fruitvale has an RFP out for a consultant to build our active transportation plan the RFP closes on December 15th.

Neighbours' United member of the 100% Renewable by 2050 Group of Communities:

Meeting scheduled for noon December 5th.

Highway 3 Mayor's Coalition:

No meeting held this month. We hold meetings twice annually and discuss issues we each see with Highway 3, Ministry of Highways area director's attend to hear concerns and update us on upcoming projects.

South Columbia Mayor's and Area Director's Coalition:

We meet twice annually, more if there are any big issues in our area. Our two regular annual meetings are normally lunch meetings with the CEO of Columbia Basin Trust Johnny Strilaeff to share how CBT is working for us and suggested tweaks to funding, Johnny shares new initiatives from CBT with us.

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY

Board of Directors:

This month's regular Board of Directors meeting was a lengthy meeting with many zoning and building inspection issues from the Boundary side of the RDKB.

Roger's Communication was a delegation at the meeting to share that they are proposing to improve cell coverage by adding 11 new cell towers to their existing 7 in the RDKB, most are on the Boundary side.

East End Services:

We hosted four delegations this meeting (Nov 15th), Upland Agricultural Consultant Ione Smith who went through their draft work plan for the Boundary region.

Win Mott spoke as a delegation from the Lower Columbia Community Health Centre Network, and they are here tonight as a delegation.

Corrie Bownick spoke as a delegation for the SPCA. Animal control which is contracted for Area A & B of the RDKB with Trail, Fruitvale, and Montrose tagged on has become a large discussion at this table. The SPCA has not raised their rates for several years and are finding they have fallen behind and had asked for a 65% increase last year, we didn't accept and said we would study if there was any will to continue with the service. We will need to decide if we want to continue the service, it is very ineffective due to the distance from the SPCA office. We are the only municipalities in the RDKB, RDCK, and RDEK that use this service. Municipalities either have no service, their bylaw officers have vehicles with kennels and can pick up strays.

Rebecca Richards, Jacomein, and Dino presented on behalf of the Lower Columbia Initiatives Corporation and Lower Columbia Community Development Society. They presented the work they have been doing to date regarding establishing our area as the Western Canadian Battery Recycling Hub. They also spoke about the challenges of Supply Chain Resiliency that were exposed during the pandemic. They continue to work on a low-level crossing (new Waneta Bridge and the required road infrastructure improvements south of the border to make this a commercial crossing that would improve safety, lower GHG emissions, and greatly reduce the heavy truck traffic through Trail, Warfield, Rossland, and the Rossland Hill. They have also issued an RFP on a connectivity study for our area and are starting discussion with Kootenay Career Development Services and the Skills Centre on a workforce development project for 2023.

BV Recreation:

A monthly meeting was held on November 15th, we had a delegation from the BV Library giving us their annual report, expenses were higher this year due to staff turnover and the cost of training new staff but income was higher as well to balance the higher cost.

BV Rec is currently working on building the Age Friendly program back up, we had 120 seniors attend the lunch on November 22nd, they filled out a survey on what they would like to see going forward with the program.

I am pushing us to plan for a proper trail down to Beaver Falls, years ago they tried to gain access from the North side down from the old Beaver Falls Park but met heavy resistance from the landowners who would not give access. I have suggested that potentially with Council's approval we could look at access from the Columbia Gardens Road decommissioned dumpsite. Fruitvale owns this land and I believe a trail could be built down the gulley to the creek and alongside the creek to the base of the falls avoiding landowners except Fruitvale. Waterfalls are a huge attraction and trails are well used in particular when there is a destination such as water falls.

Regional Advisory Committee to ETSI-BC (Economic Trust of the Southern Interior) and a member of the Board of Directors of ETSI-BC and elected from the directors as a member of the executive committee:

The Executive Committee meeting was held Dec 2nd via Zoom – We caught up on ETSI business including discussion about doing a review of our investment policy. We went through the fall intake grant recommendations from staff and approved an expanded grant fund (from \$375,000 up to \$554,000 due to some extra funds from previously approved grants that never went forward. The approved list will be out in the new year after the applicants are notified.

Other:

I attended a Zoom meeting with the Community Energy Association and the Climate Caucus held for elected officials on Nov 24th to show us where to find resources and supports to help municipalities as they build net-zero, 100% renewable plans and work through all of the various climate initiatives.

The CAO and I met with Larry Olson from Forests Lands and Natural Resources who manages REDIP-Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure program. He shared with us the various grants that are available for:

- Economic Diversification
- Resilience
- Clean growth opportunities
- Infrastructure development

There is also a destination development stream that support projects such as our Creekside Park ideas. This stream supports visitor amenities, improved water access, event infrastructure, iconic recreational experience, etc. that all fit our proposed park.

Respectfully submitted,
Mayor Steve Morissette