# Beaver Valley Bulletin

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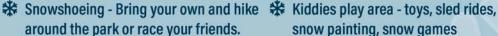
# **FAMILY FUN SNOW DAY**

HAINES PARK FRUITVALE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH · 10AM - 1PM

Watch the fun, enjoy a warm beverage and treats in a heated sitting area.

#### **EVENTS**





- \* Hang out with the BV Nitehawks players \* Art tent with button making
- ★ Tug of War
- Mini Sticks
- \* Yard Games in the Snow

- snow painting, snow games
- \* Snow Disc Golf
- \* BV Daycare Centre Activity

FOOD (FREE, accepting cash donations for the BV Food Bank)

- · Hot Dogs · Hot Chocolate · Coffee
- Candy Cotton Candy Vegetarian Chili



#### **NEW! KOOTENAY GRAZE AND SIP**

. Deluxe Hot Chocolate Bar

#### **PARTICIPATION PRIZES**

For anyone who attends including spectators.

Prizes and Give-aways include:

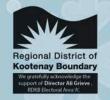
 Snowshoes
 Disc Golf Discs
 BV Nitehawks Swag
 Beaver Valley Skate Passes • Crazy Carpets • Up to Snow Good Stickers



GRAZE & SIP



































#### **Greetings, and Happy New Year to All!**

As we move into another important year for our communities, there is much to look forward to. Along with keeping our existing services running smoothly and ensuring that our Regional District facilities remain well maintained, we have a number of exciting projects underway.

One highlight early this year will be planning for the ribbon-cutting of the new provincially funded yurt at Beaver Valley Family Park. This unique addition will offer new opportunities for outdoor recreation and community use. In addition, Area A has partnered with the Village of Fruitvale to begin developing the proposed green space behind Memorial Hall. This collaborative project will help enhance our shared public spaces and create a welcoming area for community activities.

#### Official Community Plan (OCP) Update

Another significant development is the forthcoming review and update of our Area A Official Community Plan (OCP). Provincial legislation describes an OCP as "a general statement of the broad objectives and policies of the local government respecting the form and character of existing and proposed land use and servicing requirements in the area covered by the plan."

In simpler terms, the OCP outlines the long-term vision for how our community will grow and evolve—addressing land use, housing, infrastructure, environmental protection, public facilities, and community services.

I was fortunate to participate in the last OCP review and am very familiar with the process. With many years of involvement in major planning efforts, I look forward to helping guide the next steps over the coming years. This update will involve extensive public engagement, including public meetings, online surveys, and mail-out opportunities through the RDKB Join the Conversation platform.

Please watch for your chance to participate—your input will be essential to shaping our future.

#### **BC Winter Games – 2026**

As many of you know, the figure skating events of the 2026 BC Winter Games will be held at the Beaver Valley Arena from February 25 to March 1, 2026. Fruitvale will welcome young athletes from across the province, and we can expect some truly exceptional performances.

The success of the Games depends heavily on community support. If you are interested in volunteering, you can register through the Trail-Rossland 2026 BC Winter Games Volunteer Portal.



# Mayor Wes Startup Village of Fruitvale



I'm pleased to let everyone know that the Village has completed the search for a new Chief Administration Officer.

After a fulsome hiring process, we have brought Trish Dehnel to our Team, and we couldn't be more thrilled.

Trish brings extensive experience to the role having served as interim CAO previously for Fruitvale and Slocan.

Additionally, Trish is a certified professional planner and that will be a great asset for the Village.

Living in the local community gives Trish a good handle on the local lay of the land and the challenges of rural living.

December 17th was a day to remember.

The wind was unreal and caused several areas to lose power. I understand at that one point roughly 26,000 Fortis customers were without power from Penticton to Yahk. It certainly reminded me about emergency preparedness both for the Village and personally.

Some of our residents were off-line for days, some for shorter stints but either way alternate plans were needed for staying warm and making meals – thank goodness it wasn't too cold or it could have been a different story.

I'm keeping our vehicle gas tanks and generator jerry cans full for the rest of the winter.

I hope that the Holiday Season brings you peace and joy.

Warmest wishes this festive season.



admin@montrose.ca

#### Village of Montrose

Office Hours - Monday to Friday 8:30 –noon -1:00 – 4:30 p.m. 367-7234

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK & DOWNLOAD THE NEW CITIZEN

MO BRITISH COLUMBIA

www.montrose.ca

#### **Christmas Tree Pickup**

On Thursday, January 8, 2026, the Public Works crew will be picking up Christmas trees.

Please place your tree in your regular garbage pickup location by 7:00 AM. Trees must be free of decorations and tinsel.

2026 Animal Licenses

Dog and cat tags for the 2026 year are now available for purchase at the office.



## **Beaver Valley Food Bank:**

January 2026 Dates



1st Thursday January 8, 2026

2nd Thursday January 15, 2026

3rd Thursday January 22, 2026

4th Thursday January 29, 2026

Call 250-368-7513 at any time for an emergency request.



# THE VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE REMINDER NOTICES



### Village of Fruitvale

### NOTICE

of 2026 Regular Council Meeting Schedule

The Community Charter and Village of Fruitvale Council Procedure Bylaw No. 978, 2025 requires that a schedule of the date, time and place of all Regular Council Meeting to be held during the year be prepared and made available to the public. Furthermore, it is noted that:

- Regular Meeting of Council are generally held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, unless otherwise indicated below.
- An asterisk (\*) indicates the Regular Council Meetings falls on a Tuesday to avoid a Statutory Holiday.
- In the year of a General Local Election, the Inaugural Meeting is to be held within the first ten (10) days of November

#### 2026 Regular Council Schedule:

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AT 6:00 P.M. Unless posted otherwise, all Regular Meeting of Council will be taking place at:

#### Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers, 1947 Beaver Street, Fruitvale BC

All open meeting will support electroni attendance, with links available upon request.

Monday January 12th	Monday July 13th
Monday February 9th	Monday August 10th
Monday March 9th	*Tuesday September 8th
Monday April 13th	*Tuesday October 13th
Monday May 11th	Monday November 9th (Inaugural)
Monday June 8th	Monday December 14th

P. Dehnel, CAO

First of two publications.

#### **STREETLIGHTS**

Darkness comes earlier in the winter so now is the time to report any non-working streetlights to the Village Office, info@village.fruitvale.bc.ca



Be sure to include the location of the pole, the number on the pole and the problem with the light. The Village will report it to FortisBC, who will repair as time permits.



#### THE VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE REMINDER NOTICES



All outstanding 2025 property taxes and utilities on January 1, 2026 will be transferred to property taxes in arrears and will accrue daily interest.

The Village accepts the following forms of payment: E-transfer to finance@village.fruitvale.bc.ca (make sure to reference you roll number or street address and what the payment is for)

Through on-line banking for taxes and utilities (allow 3 business days for payment to reach the office)

Drop your payment in the drop box at the front entrance of the Village Office
Mail your payments to the Village Office
Pay with Credit Card (will be subject to an automatic 3% service fee on amount being paid)



#### 2026 DOG LICENCES/TAGS



Annual dog tag invoices will be mailed early January 2026. Your current tag will remain for the 2026 year. Do you need a replacement tag? Please come by the office. If you receive an invoice and your dog has moved on please call us at 250-367-7551 or email info@village.fruitvale.bc.ca.



#### **2026 BUSINESS LICENCES**



Annual business license invoices will be mailed early January 2026. If you receive an invoice and are no longer in business please call us at 250-367-7551 or email info@village.fruitvale.bc.ca.

#### **BOULEVARD PARKING**

Residents are reminded that during the winter months snow is plowed onto the Village boulevard.

From Policy PW-2012-01 Snow Management & Ice Control:

- 1. Anyone parked on the boulevard could be towed.
- 2. Boulevards are the property of the Village of Fruitvale.
- 3. Know where your property lines are.
- 4. No tolerance or exceptions due to safety and liability issues.

The Village of Fruitvale's Bylaw Officer will be patrolling the Village and enforcing our bylaws.





### CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL

The Village of Fruitvale will once again be taking Christmas trees to the landfill free of charge after the Christmas season. Please bring your tree to the designated area (look for the sign) in the Pole Yard before January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026.

There will be no curb-side tree collection. Please ensure all decorations and plastic tree bags have been removed when you drop off your tree.













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#### Scouting in the Beaver Valley

We are trying to get Scouting happening again in the Beaver Valley.

What is needed:

VOLUNTEERS AGES 14+



Volunteers have to go through volunteer screening process including a PRC.

Training is provided with lots of online support as well as some locals who are willing to help out to get you comfortable with the program.

Would be great to get Beavers and Cubs going as a starting point!!!

Youth Beavers BEAVER SCOUTS

AGES 5-7

Discover adventures like camping, hiking, playing games and enjoying campfires. Make great new friends along the way, along with lasting memories!

CUB SCOUTS

AGES 8-10

Embark on outdoor adventures like hikes, weekend camps and canoeing. As a Pack, Cubs are encouraged to try new and exciting activities including STEM projects and cultural experiences.

SCOUTS AGES 11-14

Blaze your own trail. Delve into more leadership opportunities and develop self-confidence by planning adventures with your Troop and giving back to the community in a meaningful way.

For more information and to volunteer, please contact Heather Hamer at 250-231-0562 or email Trail.Rossland.Scouts@telus.net

















# LEADERS NEEDED In The Beaver Valley Community

We're looking for dedicated leaders to help continue our Guiding programs in the Beaver Valley Community!



#### **Units:**

Sparks: Ages 5–6

Embers: Ages 7–8

Guides: Ages 9-11

Pathfinders: Ages 12–14

Rangers: Ages 15–18



### Support:

Provincial staff will assist with getting new units started.

### Flexibility:

Adult leaders can choose the day, time, and location that work best for them. Meeting structure and activities are flexible to suit your schedule and style!

Interested or have questions? Email us at Columbiadistrictggc@gmail.com





### **Beaver Valley Lions**



No Bingo Wednesday December 17th, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 31st, 2025

Bingo will start back on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026



# BRANCH 44 SENIORS January 21st 2026

Mondays: Bingo 1:00-3:30pm

Tuesdays: Carpet Bowling starts October 13 10:00 -12:00pm







Thursdays: Cards 1:00- 3:00pm Seniors 50+ come join us, membership is \$15 for the year

Call Brenda for more information 250 367 3839



# BVYAN Events Jan. 2026

FREE for Youth 12-18 Text BVYAN to (833) 683-0875 to sign up for our NEW text newsletter!



# Drop in 2:30 - 4:30 @ the Fruitvale Memorial Hall

Game Day! Movie Day!

Come by the memorial hall and check out our weekly events! If you arn't interested, you are also welcome to chill and hang out!

Food and drinks will be provided:)



### Drop in *| 2:30 - 4:30* @ the Fruitvale Memorial Hall

Jan 27 - Photo/Video Shoot!

Come by the memorial hall, grab a camera, and start shooting! A pressure free space to mess around with photography, and to help out with a collaberative video project m

# The Game Show Show

@ the Warfeild Community Hall January 16, 4-6pm

An interactive game show where the audiance dosent get to just see the show, they get to be the show!







# Crafternoon @ the Fruitvale Village Office

Jan 26 3-5:30pm

Come by with a friend and mess around with our assortment of art supplies! From Needlefelting, vinyl stickers, to diamond painting and 3D pens! Not sure what you want to do? Help out with a BVYAN project and get a prize as thanks 🚥

Sledding!
@ Fruitvale Elementary School January 31, 2-5pm

Come by FES and sled with us! (Weather Providing) we'll have hot drinks and food to help keep warm, a limited number of sleds will be provided. Feel free to bring your own!





# **Questions?**

Email us anytime at beavervalleyyan@gmail.com or text us at (833)-683-0875

#### The Black Beauty Linq

#### ABOUT

Columbia Seniors Wellness Society was established in 2019.

The purposes of the Society are:

- 1.to provide support resources and opportunities to enhance the well-being and health of seniors.
- 2. to promote independence and participation of the senior community through senior-driven projects and events



Columbia Seniors Wellness Society Presents

# Rides for Beaver Valley Seniors

#### **HOW IT WORKS**

- Book directly with the driver 24 hours or more in advance
- Call only between 8:00 am -4:00 pm
- Open to seniors 65+ or those living with mobility issues
- Use for appointments, shopping, or social outings





#### COSTS

- Within the Beaver Valley - \$5
- To Trail return \$10
- Payment cash only to the driver at the start of the ride
- Cancel with as much notice as possible

#### CALL FOR A RIDE

Monday Driver: Larry 250-368-1542

Wednesday Driver Jim 250-512-2144

Friday Driver: Pat 905-962-7231





Working with communities in BC's North, Interior, Lower Mainland, Central & Northern Vancouver Island Ticket Cost: \$10.00



For individual or group bookings(6+)
RSVP to Jayme Fowler by January 13:
T: 250-231-7260 E:bvevents@rdkb.com

SERVED BUFFET | DRAW PRIZES







# **Beaver Valley Recreation**

Follow us on Instagram & Facebook under Beaver Valley Recreation <a href="https://www.rdkb.com">www.rdkb.com</a> Click on Recreation & Culture, Beaver Valley

#### SENIOR'S LUNCHES

Tuesdays at 12:30 pm
Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 21
Fruitvale Hall
\$10 admission at the door
Please rsvp to Jayme one week
prior at 231-7260
bvevents@rdkb.com

#### STAY SAFE Ages 9+

Instructor: Nicole Morrison
This Canadian Red Cross Course
teaches applicable and age
appropriate skills to improve your
child's own safety. Bring a lunch.
January 31, 2026
9 am – 1:45 pm
\$43.80
McIntyre Room, Trail
Call Trail Parks & Rec at 364-0888
March 28, 2026
9 am – 1:45 pm
\$43
Montrose Hall
Call BV Recreation at 231-5172

#### **BABYSITTING COURSE**

Instructor: Nicole Morrison
Ages 11+
This Canadian Red Cross Course

provides knowledge for feeding, bedtime, first aid, creating a safe environment and how to handle emergencies. Bring a lunch.

Cost is \$70
February 7, 2026
9 am – 4:30 pm
McIntyre Room, Trail
Call Trail Parks & Rec at 364-0888
April 11, 2026
9 am – 4:30 pm
Montrose Hall
Call BV Recreation at 231-5172

#### **6AM YOGA**

Instructor: Jodi Ihas
Mondays, starting January 5
(omit January 12)
6 – 7 am
\$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x, \$14 drop in
(Pass can be used at all regular
Yoga classes, BWB&B and BKS)
Fruitvale Hall
To pay over the phone, call BV
Recreation at 231-5172 or bring
cash or cheque to Jodi at class

#### **SENIOR LINE DANCE**

Instructor: April Biscaro
Learn the basic steps of Country
& Western Line Dancing.
Fridays
January 9 – March 27, 2026
10 - 11 am
\$2 drop in
Fruitvale Hall
Call April at 921-9733 for more info.

#### **PM GENTLE YOGA**

Instructor: Jodi Ihas
Thursdays, starting January 8
7 - 8:15 pm
\$75 - 6x, \$120 - 12x, \$14 drop in
(Pass can be used at all regular
Yoga classes, BWB&B and BKS)
Fruitvale Hall
To pay over the phone, call BV
Recreation at 231-5172 or bring
cash or cheque to Jodi at class

#### X-MAS EVE SKATE

Wednesday, December 24 11:30 – 1:30 pm Free admission, skate rentals, hot dogs and juice boxes. Compliments of the BV Lions Club.

#### BODY WEIGHT, BANDS & BALLS

Instructor: Wendy Robertsen
Fitness bands and 2-5 lb weights
are required. For all fitness levels.
Mondays & Thursdays
Starting January 5 (omit Feb 26)
Noon – 1 pm
Fruitvale Hall
\$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x, \$14 drop in
(Pass can be used at all regular
Yoga classes & Box Kick Strength)
To pay over the phone, call BV
Recreation at 231-5172 or bring
cash or cheque to Wendy at class

#### **ZUMBA GOLD**

Instructor: April Arnot
A low-impact modified Zumba®
Wednesdays, starting January 7
9:30 - 10:30 am
\$50 - 5x, \$92 - 10x, \$172 - 20x,
\$12 drop in
Tae Kwon Do Gym
To pay over the phone, call BV
Recreation at 231-5172 or bring
cash or cheque to April at class

#### AM GENTLE YOGA

Instructor: Wendy Robertsen Wednesdays
Starting January 7
(omit Feb 25)
9 – 10:15 am
\$75 - 6x, \$120 – 12x, \$14 drop in
(Pass can be used at all regular
Yoga classes, BWB&B and BKS)
Montrose Hall
To pay over the phone, call BV
Recreation at 231-5172 or bring
cash or cheque to Wendy at class

#### ZUMBA ages 12+

Instructor: April Arnot Mondays at Fruitvale Hall Thursdays at Montrose Hall (omit Feb 16, April 6, 30, May 18) 6:30 - 7:30 pm Thursdays will move to 9:30-10:30am from May 7 - June 25. Dance fitness class that is fun, energetic and make you feel amazing! \$50 - 5x, \$92 - 10x, \$172 - 20x, \$12 drop in To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring

#### A.C.T. FITNESS CLASS

cash or cheque to April at class

Instructor: Violet Richtsfeld Aerobic + Chair + Tone. Bring a set of 1 or 2 lbs hand held weights and water bottle.

**Tuesdays & Thursdays** January 13 – April 2, 2026 (Jan 15, Feb 19, Mar 19 classes will be replaced by Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 20) 9:30 - 10:30 am Montrose Hall \$120 - 10 punch pass, \$14 drop in Call Violet at 367-6448 for more info. ALL ABOUT FASCIA

#### **CHAIR YOGA**

Instructor: Abby Verigin Tuesdays from 10 - 11 am Fridays from noon - 1 pm (omit Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 21, May 19) A gentle, seated style of yoga made for all bodies & abilities. \$75 - 6x, \$120 - 12x\$14 drop in (Pass can be used at all regular Yoga classes, BWB&B and BKS) Fruitvale Hall To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to Abby at class

#### SPRING BREAK SKATE

March 16-18, 20, 23-27 1:45 - 3 pm

#### BOX, KICK, STRENGTH FEB PUBLIC SKATING

Instructor: April Arnot A cardio boxercise class with weights, abs and some HIIT intervals to classic rock music. Sundays, starting January 11 (omit Feb 15, Mar 8, Apr 5) 9:30 - 10:30 am \$75 - 6x, \$120 - 12x, \$14 drop in (Pass can be used at all regular Yoga classes and BWB&B) Tae Kwon Do Gym To pay over the phone, call BV Recreation at 231-5172 or bring cash or cheque to April at class

#### **ZUMBA KIDS**

Instructor: April Arnot Kids Jr. (ages 4-6) and Zumba Kids (7-11) are great classes to get the kids movina! Mondays January 12 - March 2, 2026 (omit Feb 9 & 16) 3:30 - 4 pm Kids Jr. \$35 4:15 - 5 pm Kids\$45 Fruitvale Hall Call BV Recreation at 231-5172

Instructor: Abby Verigin C-IAYT \*Payment only through Abby\* Self mvofascial release & vin voga Wednesdays, Jan 7 - Feb 11 6 - 7:15 pm Montrose Hall \$120 for the series, \$25 drop in Email absverigin@gmail.com

#### **SLOW FLOW YOGA**

Instructor: Abby Verigin C-IAYT \*Payment only through Abby\* Wednesdays, Feb 18 - April 8 6 - 7:15 pm (omit March 18 & 25) Montrose Hall \$120 for the series, \$25 drop in Email absverigin@gmail.com

#### JAN PUBLIC SKATING

Sunday 18 3:15 - 4:45pm Saturday 24 4:30 - 6 pm

Friday 20 6 - 7:30pmSaturday 21 4:30 - 6 pm3:15 - 4:30pm Sunday 22

\*Limited public skating due to hockey tournaments\*

#### DROP IN HOCKEY

Ages 2-6 January 4 from 2-3pm Ages 7-11 January 3 from 10-11am Ages 12-16 January 3 from 11am-noon Ladies & Partner (or friends) January 4 from 6:30-7:30pm January 17 from 8-9pm \$5 drop in. Helmets required. Ages 7+ must be in full gear. \*There may be more in February\*

#### **FREE CHRISTMAS PUBLIC SKATING**

December 20 at 4:30-6pm

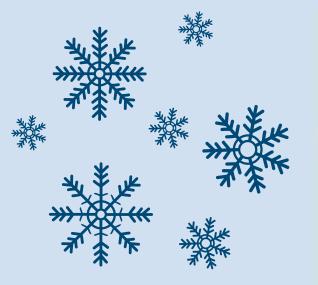
December 21, 22, 23 at 1-2:30pm December 24 at 11:30-1:30pm December 27, 28, 29 at 3:30-5pm December 30 at 1-2:30pm January 4 at 3:30-5pm Thank you to our amazing sponsors for providing FREE admission over the holidavs! Kootenay Savings Credit Union Fruitvale CO-OP Dr. Gregory Barrett Dental **Mainstreet Motors BV Dental Centre** Trail Fair Society **BV** Recreation Western Financial Group

#### SHOOT WITH THE NITEHAWKS

Sunday, January 11, 2026 3:15 - 4:30 pm Bring your stick & helmet

#### **TOONIE SKATES**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays** 10 - 11 am Last day is March 12, 2026





# 🏿 January Hours

Laser Bowling - Saturday - 6-9PM 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Seniors (55+) Drop-In - Friday - 1-3PM 4, 11, 18, 25

Open Bowling - Sunday - 1:30-4:30PM 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Adults \$4/game - Kids \$3/game - Shoe Rental \$2



# BEAVER VALLEY BOWLING CLUB

# **Group Rental Rates**

Groups of 8 or less - \$165.00 Groups of 9-12 -\$190.00 Groups of 13-20 - \$240.00 Groups of 21 or more - \$290.00

Please contact us for more information or to make a booking.

info@bvbowlingclub.ca





# Volunteer withus!



SCAN QR CODE to get to volunteer application or click on link below

https://bcgames.net/trailross2026wn/VolunteerModule/register.aspx

# BEAVER VALLEY MAY

DAYS FRIDAY, MAY 22ND - SUNDAY, MAY 24TH

# **VOLUNTEERS**

NEEDED

**VARIETY OF FUN** RESPONSIBILITIES & TIME

Volunteers are the lifeline of this **AMAZING** event. If you can spare one hour, one day or even more, your time and skills will make a HUGE impact.

PARK OPERATION, ACTIVITIES, CLEAN UP, SET UP/TAKE DOWN, EVENT PLANNING, DECISION MAKING, MONTHLY/ SPECIAL MEETINGS



SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS

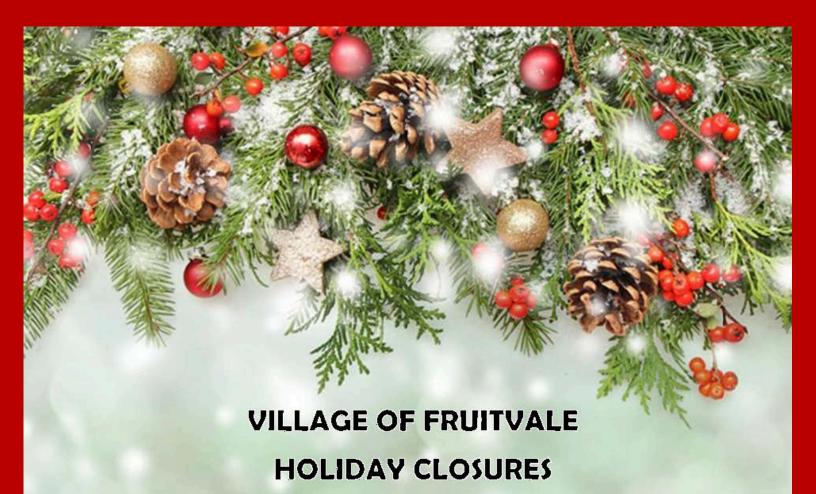
**3 BOARD VOLUNTEERS** (1 YEAR TERM)



**REGISTER YOUR** INTEREST!

CONTACT MIKE HUDSON, BEAVER VALLEY MAY DAYS PRESIDENT

Tel: 250 521 0588 or email: president@beavervalleymaydays.com



#### **Village Office**

Wednesday, December 24 - OPEN - 8:30 - 12 noon CLOSED - Thursday, December 25 to Sunday, January 4 Monday, January 5, 2026 - OPEN - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

#### **Public Works**

CLOSED - Thursday & Friday, December 25 & 26

CLOSED - Thursday & Friday January 1 & 2

For Emergencies, please call 250-367-6162.

#### Garbage collection remains on Tuesdays

On behalf of Council and Staff at the Village of Fruitvale, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

We look forward to seeing you in 2026.