



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, February 5, 2024

Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Fruitvale Council held on Monday, February 5, 2024 in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference.

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

EXCUSED:

STAFF: Chief Administrative Officer Lashar, Chief Financial Officer Partridge, Public Works Foreman J. Startup, and Recording Secretary Gallamore

PUBLIC:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Morissette called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In the spirit of respect, truth and reconciliation, we honour and thank the Indigenous Peoples on whose traditional and unceded lands we operate.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RES-23-2024

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Ellison

THAT the February 5, 2024 Regular Council Meeting agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

A. Carolyn Amantea, West Kootenay LIP (Local Immigration Partnership) Coordinator - Introduction to the West Kootenay LIP (www.wkclip.ca)

C. Amantea, Coordinator, West Kootenay Local Immigration Partnership attended the meeting to introduce herself and give Council an overview of the West Kootenay LIP.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 8, 2024

RES-24-2024

Moved by Mason

Seconded by Ellison

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held January 8, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

B. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 22, 2024

RES-25-2024

Moved by Startup

Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 22, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. For Information Only

1. Letter from V. Craig, Chair, Regional District of Nanaimo dated January 19, 2024 and background information regarding Legislative Reform Initiative Update
2. Letter from R. Siemens, Mayor, City of Abbotsford dated January 31, 2024 requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support for their UBCM resolution for additional detox beds to be added to the Fraser Health Region.
3. Email from K. Page, President, AKBLG requesting feedback from local governments (Email has been forwarded to Council)
4. Trail & District Chamber of Commerce

RES-26-2024

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Ellison

THAT the For Information Only items be received as presented.

CARRIED

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. T. Gallamore, Beaver Valley Youth Action Network Coordinator

- B.** J. Startup, Public Works Foreman
- C.** P. Lashar, Chief Administrative Officer

RES-27-2024

Moved by Startup
Seconded by Ellison

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

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Council Member Reports

- a.** Councillor C. Ellison
Councillor Ellison spoke to her report.
- b.** Councillor J. Mason
- c.** Councillor W. Startup
- d.** Councillor B. Wenman
- e.** Mayor/RDKB Director S. Morissette

RES-28-2024

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Mason

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

CARRIED

2. Committee of the Whole Recommendations

- A.** Creekside Community Park Masterplan

RES-29-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale set aside \$10,000 for the Creekside Community Park Masterplan.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

- A. UBCM 2024 CRI FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Grant

RES-30-2024

Moved by Startup
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Council supports the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary's application to undertake further FireSmart work as outlined in its 2024 CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports grant application.

CARRIED

- B. AKBLB Convention and AGM - February 16, 2024 deadline for resolution submission, request for community photos and accommodation reminder

CFO Partridge will put together a photo package.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. 10-Year Capital Plan - update from CFO Partridge

CFO Partridge updated Council on the changes made to the 10-year capital plan.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Former BV Middle School building

A discussion took place on the former BV Middle School building.

RES-31-2024

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Wenman

THAT Council direct staff to investigate options to address the structural issues of the Beaver Valley Middle School and provide to Council a safe monitoring plan as per Redwood Engineering's recommendations.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

- A. Village of Fruitvale Indemnification Bylaw No. 963, 2023 - Third Reading

RES-32-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Startup

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Indemnification Bylaw No. 963, 2023 be read a third time.

CARRIED

- B.** Village of Fruitvale Solid Waste & Yard and Garden Waste Collection and Disposal Bylaw No. 964, 2024 - Third Reading

RES-33-2024

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Mason

THAT the "Village of Fruitvale Solid Waste & Yard and Garden Waste Collection and Disposal Bylaw No. 964, 2024" be read a third time.

CARRIED

- C.** Village of Fruitvale Wildlife Attractant Control Bylaw No. 965, 2024 - Third Reading

RES-34-2024

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Startup

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Wildlife Attractant Control Bylaw No. 965, 2024 be tabled to the March 5, 2024 Council meeting.

CARRIED

- D.** Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 966, 2024 - Third Reading

RES-35-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Startup

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 966, 2024 be read a third time.

CARRIED

- E.** Village of Fruitvale Traffic and Parking Regulations Bylaw No. 967, 2024 - First, Second and Third Reading

RES-36-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Startup

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Traffic and Parking Regulations Bylaw No. 967, 2024 be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

- F.** Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 968, 2024 - First, Second and Third Reading

RES-37-2024

Moved by Startup
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 968, 2024 Appendix 1 - Commissioner of Oaths/Affidavits/Certified True Copy Requests for residents outside of the Beaver Valley be amended to \$50; AND FURTHER THAT the Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 968, 2024 be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

- G.** Village of Fruitvale Responsible Conduct Guiding Principles - Code of Conduct Policy No. PER-2023-02 - Adoption

RES-38-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Startup

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Responsible Conduct Guiding Principles - Code of Conduct Policy No. PER-2023-02 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

13. OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)

Councillor Startup updated Council on the Beaver Valley Childcare Centre Playground Plan. The first project is the concrete with an approximate \$20,000 cost for construction, poured and play. A grant application is also being submitted for this project.

14. NOTICE OF MOTION**15. QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA/PUBLIC RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS**

16. IN CAMERA SESSION

RES-39-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT Council recess the regular meeting and move to a closed session pursuant to *Community Charter* Section 90 (1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality, at 7:38 pm.

CARRIED

RES-40-2024

Moved by Startup
Seconded by Mason

THAT the regular meeting reconvene at 8:05 pm.

CARRIED

17. ADJOURNMENT

RES-41-2024

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:06 pm.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor



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COUNCILOR ELLISON REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on February 5, 2024.

January 2024 Report

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Personnel/Bargaining/HR Committee

- Nothing to Report.

Council Spirit Events

BV May Days Liaison

- I attended the BV May Days AGM on January 30, 2024:
 - Mike Hudson – President
 - Brianna Zanussi – Vice-President
 - Kaitlyn Grafton – Secretary
 - Stephanie Hudson - Treasurer

OTHER

- I attended the South Kootenay Tourism Plan meeting on January 16, 2024.
 - The Plan was reviewed and is still ongoing.
- I attended the Senior's Luncheon on January 16, 2024.
- I attended the CBT Public Forum on January 26, 2024. Steve Morissette and Ali Grieve presented some of the accomplishments for Fruitvale, Montrose and Areas A some of which funding was provided by CBT.
- I am working on a database for contact information for the businesses in Fruitvale, unfortunately the Village of Fruitvale cannot provide contact names, email addresses and phone numbers due to privacy obligations.
- Budgets are in the process of being reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,
Councilor Catherine Ellison



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COUNCILLOR STARTUP REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on February 5th, 2024

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Lower Columbia Community Development Team Society (LCCDT):

1. Did not attend January Board Meeting:
2. LCIC and LCCDTS will amalgamate and there is a introductions meeting February 15th at 3:00 at the Skill Centre in Trail.
3. Also LCCDTS AGM February 15th

Lower Columbia Community Health Centre Network:

1. Proposal for a CHC in Trail has been submitted and we await a response from Ministry of Health. It is a large financial ask and so the is some minor risk.
2. The lower floor of the Fortis building has been selected for the CHC in Trail and work continues on site selection for Rossland.
3. The proposal previously submitted by PRIMA has been rejected due to cost.
4. Negotiations with BV Clinic continue and there is a expectations that an MOU will signed off very soon.
5. The LCCHCN is now a certified non-profit society.
6. Fund raising strategies are in development.
7. We continue to meet bi-weekly at minimum to maintain focus and momentum.

Beaver Valley Childcare Centre:

1. Costs continue to be incurred as we work through the licensing process. This process has been disappointingly slow, opening is delayed till May pending certification.
2. Furniture is on the way, this is the final piece for the interior space
3. Playground equipment and grounds preparation planning are underway and a draft 5 year project plan has been developed.
4. Funding sources being sought to offset costs of the playground equipment.

Other:

1. Completed survey for Strategic Planning session. Looking forward to participatng in this all day activity Saturday February 3rd.

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Wes Startup



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COUNCILLOR WENMAN REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on Mon 05 Feb 2024

MEETINGS:

Council Meeting Mon 08 Jan 2024

Fruitvale Sub-Station delegation. The council approved the request from the delegation.

COMMITTEES:

Village Of Fruitvale

Committee of the Whole Mon 22 Jan 2024

Review Budgets – Primarily Capital Plan and funding requirements.

RDKB

Committee – WKRHD

Meeting – 24 Jan 2024 – Renal Care problems at Nelson vs Trail & travel concerns

RDKB Utilities Committee

Meeting 10 Jan 2024 – Utilities Committee – Request for informal service review

Meeting 18 Jan 2024 – BVWS – Informal service review

BVWS – Governance Meeting scheduled for 8 Feb 2024

RDKB – Utilities Budget meeting scheduled for 13 Feb 2024

PORTFOLIOS/LIAISONS:

Public Works - Nothing to report.

Finance - Nothing to report.

Selkirk Mountain Music Society - Nothing to report.

Spirit Events - Nothing to report.

HR Committee – nothing to report.

Haines Park Masterplan – Requires update if Jays Funding is provided.

Creekside Masterplan - Discussed concept design funding at Jan CoW. Updated masterplan to be presented to Feb Council Meeting.



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COUNCILLOR WENMAN REPORT

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION at CoW Meetings

BC Draft Biodiversity and Ecosystem Framework – I have reviewed the framework and have some concerns as I believe there may be long term effects without consultation of all user groups. This should be discussed at the next CoW.

OCP – Council should consider scheduling a review of the OCP with respect to placing more detail in Roads, utilities, etc., as well as the new Provincial guidelines on Secondary suites.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Bill Wenman



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MAYOR STEVE MORISSETTE REPORT

Report to Council for meeting dated February 5th, 2024

COMMITTEES

Personnel: No meeting to update.

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

Highway 3 Mayors Coalition: No meeting to update.

GENERAL UPDATE

- Trish, Jason, and I met with the Selkirk College Environment & Planning students via Zoom on January 16th as they presented ideas for each of their projects for us. Unfortunately an EES meeting in Trail ran late and I missed a good portion of it but have been answering a few questions from students since that date.
- I met on-line with the consultant for our Access Committee Tanelle Bolt on January 17th and reviewed our three Fruitvale applicants for the committee (we had the most applicants) and we had to pick two of the three which were all good applicants. I'm happy to share that Lysa Rainbowitz and Abby Verigin were the successful applicants from Fruitvale.
- January 17th Prab, Bill, and I met with officials from the RDKB and Ali Grieve to discuss governance and operations of the water service going forward. Roles and responsibilities were clarified and some direction was set on how to improve communications.
- I attended the CKISS (Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society) meeting on January 23rd.
- I attended the Climate Caucus meeting on the 26th.

The Youth Climate Corps is people from 17-30 yrs old arranged in crews of 3-12 people for short term projects around things like food security, wildfire, energy efficiency, ecosystem restoration, and community engagement.

This program maximizes co-benefits focusing on developing youth for a career in climate action work.

They encouraged us to pass a council resolution to direct staff to explore what our Climate Action Plan could use to move it forward.

All payroll, WorkSafe, insurance, etc. is covered.

Regional District Director Report

BV Recreation:

- Planning is moving ahead for 50th anniversary celebration of the BV Arena in the rink on the Saturday night of May Days.
- **Continued hope for a signed lease in order to allow construction of the Replica Train Station.**

East End Services:

- Report from KCTS (Kootenay Columbia Trails Society) 13.5km's of trail has been completed to connect to existing trails for an easy recreational trail from Nancy Green to Rossland 20km in total.
- CKISS notified us of a pending \$50,000 reduction in funding from CBT.
- Econ-dev – LCIC is seeking an 18.5% increase to support our regional Agriculture strategy and an inflationary bump.
- Transit- we had a lengthy in-camera session with BC Transit, followed by Kootenay-Boundary Regional Fire Services.

Education & Advocacy:

- Mark Stevens asked for our advocacy for local gov't representation on Provincial heating and cooling centres committee.
- Fire Chief Dan Derby presented on advocacy for additional health services due to the increased strain on first responders dealing with issues that could be avoided by improved access to health care.
- We discussed advocating for improved accessibility to parks, e.g. Champion Lakes Park was closed and gate locked in late September; however with climate change the weather typically allows comfortable park use through October and prior to the Parks opening on the May long weekend.

Policy & Personnel:

- The RDKB Cost Allocation Policy was discussed and scheduled for a review. This policy sets annual charges for administrative services in each of our 75 services.

RDKB Board of Directors:

- Two Boundary people presented on the Boundary Ventures food recovery program. One of the appalling statistics they cited is that 58% of all food produced in Canada goes to waste.
Their program recovers food from all grocery stores in the boundary as well as some farmers. They distribute some as is through food banks, process some into preserved products and hot meals.

They are wanting to expand into our region as they have spoken to some local grocers that are on board but currently there is little food recovery in Trail, Castlegar, and Nelson areas. I have shared their contact information with our local food bank who was excited to contact them and learn what they are doing.

- RNIP (Rural and Northern Immigration Program) presented asking for support for their application for a further three years of the program locally. Currently we have 4 placements with Fruitvale employees, 2 of which are accountants with a local logging contractor. We supported their application with a commitment of \$19,000 over three years.

West Kootenay Transit Committee: No meeting this month.

Respectfully submitted,
Mayor Steve Morissette



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REPORT:

Date: February 5, 2023
To: Mayor and Councillors
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 January 2024.

January 2024 – Seniors' Snow Removal

Beaver Youth Action Network partnered with FES Grade 7 Students – 53 Youth participated in snow removal at 8 local seniors houses.

January 9, 2024 – Basin Youth Network – Coordinator's Call

Guest Presentation – QuitNow – Special guest Victoria Gladue, QuitNow Outreach Team Member at Interior Health presented youth vaping statistics, support available to youth, and how QuitNow can support your organization.

BYN Updates Leadership Journey / Job Readiness programs If you are planning to deliver the Leadership Journey or Job Readiness programs with a March 15th or earlier completion date, and want additional funds from the BYN, please complete a delivery notification by January 19th. For programs with completion dates after March 15th, you may submit a delivery notification at any time.

CBT update: Schools have started requesting the Leadership Journey be delivered in schools during class time. The program was developed for small groups of youth who voluntarily sign-up to attend. Schools may be a venue for delivery if the program is facilitated outside of classroom time to youth who want to attend. The BYN funding will not support the Leadership Journey or Job Readiness programs being done during regular class time.

Outdoor Council of Canada Hiking/Winter Field Leader Training This 16-hour Outdoor Council of Canada certification course teaches participants the foundation of outdoor leadership. The systematic approach enables you to learn industry-accepted practices and implement them in your context. This course is the prerequisite for other OCC courses. Successful participants will earn 2 certifications - Hiking & Winter Field Leader. Two courses are planned, one in the East and one in the West. There are 10 spots available in each course, based on first come first serve registration. OCC Hiking Field Leader Training February 23 & 24, 2024 in Cranbrook.

BYN Coordinators Updates

Workshop - Managing Eco-Anxiety through Outdoor Learning. Eco-anxiety is a valid response to the real challenges our kids see around them. As adults our job isn't to make their concerns go away; it's to help channel them into positive action. Join Stephanie and

Nicole who will share research and practical ways on how Outdoor Learning and Environmental Action can help to manage Eco-Anxiety. January 16th, 2024 - 4:00 PM PT
<https://outdoorlearningstore.com/workshops/>

Workshop - Indigenous Resources for Outdoor Learning. Learn about authentic Indigenous Learning Resources that connect educators with the Land from across Turtle Island. From traditional to modern stories, educational books and resources, this workshop will connect you with the wealth of authentic Indigenous resources. February 6th, 2024

The State of Relationships. Join Search Institute for their annual State of Relationships Webinar! During this free, 1-hour webinar, they will release new data around Developmental Relationships and discuss emergent trends and insights impacting the development and wellbeing of young people. January 24, 2024, 11am PT.

Communities That Create a Sense of Belonging. Building a sense of belonging to address in community creates connection and increases community resiliency. Join the Tamarack Institute in a discussion about the structures (social, physical and relational) that create belonging. How can we build those structures? What are the practices of belonging? How do we move on an individual and a collective basis from isolation to belonging? January 31, 2024.

Climate Change Population Health and Health Equity Three Canadian public health associations teamed up for a report on public health strategies and five climate solutions that produce health and health equity benefits. The primary goal of this report is to encourage and support public health agencies to integrate the mitigation of climate change more visibly into their work.

January 2024, – BV Youth Action Network Ski Red Program

14 BVYAN youth requested Red Ski Tickets.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Gallamore
BV YAN Coordinator



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Public Works Report

Date: Feb 1, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
From: Public Works Foreman J. Startup
Subject: **Public Works Report**

The following is a brief summary of important items Public Works has been involved recently:

- 1. Sewer Mains Rehabilitation (Phase II)**
 - a. Consultant to provide work plan to provide professional services
 - b. Capital Plans revised to complete only design work in 2024 with goal of tendering contract in early 2025
- 2. Grit Management Project:**
 - a. Contractor has arrived on site with work expected to wrap up by end of February
- 3. Beaver Valley Childcare Center**
 - a. Deficiency holdback in place while contractor finishes final steps
 - b. Occupancy permit expected to be issued by RDKB after final inspection completed February 2nd.
- 4. LCAHS Housing Development**
 - a. Contractor onsite completing initial excavations
 - b. "Duplex" lot(s) servicing under review
- 5. Garbage Cans @ Post Office**
 - a. Post Office has requested installation of a planter to cover holes left in rubberized surface covering
 - b. Small green waste bin installed on power pole
- 6. Plow and Sander**
 - a. Unit #06 (plow truck) has been delivered to Falcon Equipment for the installation of new Henderson Plow and sander
 - b. 1-2 weeks required for the installation
 - c. Unit #08 retrofitted with old plow and sander to utilize if necessary
- 7. Former Middle School Building**
 - a. Significant structural issue identified on Friday January 26th, 2024
 - b. Notifications issued and area secured with temporary fencing and signage
 - c. Site assessment by engineering completed February 1, 2024
 - d. See handouts for details
- 8. Evergreen Ave Development**
 - a. Contractor revitalizing interest in development proposal on Evergreen Ave
 - b. Request forwarded to engineering for further information

Respectfully submitted,

Jason



February 5, 2024

SUBJECT/TITLE

CAO Report to February 5, 2024

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 February 5, 2024

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.

DISCUSSION

1. Bylaw officer report from Mauro:

Since last report:

- 6 new files had been opened,
- 4 of which were proactively opened to deal with vehicles impeding snow removal.
- 2 files (one for dog at large and one for throwing snow into the road) were promptly closed after the officer educated the offender on the relevant legislation

There are currently:

- 13 files under investigation

Closed:

- 6 were closed in the past month

2. Water Works – from Jeff

- UV # 2 lamps have been changed. UV # 1 lamps will have to get changed in February, when they get to 5000hrs.
- The butterfly portion of the automatic Bray valve has been changed on the Clarifier on Train # 2.
- All the pumps have been greased.
- The structures for the well gensets are being built.
- BBA Engineering is working on a IFC for the Dam Remediation Project.
- Plans are underway for the cleaning of the Fruitvale Tank.
- The hydrants have had the snow removed from around them.
- The new intake screens are manufactured and are put in the intake trough.

- WSP Engineering has been contacted for guidance on the water main size for the middle school property project.
- WSP Engineering has been contacted about the questions that WSA (Junior Hamm's Engineer) has asked about Evergreen Ave. lots.

3. Public Works

See separate report from Public Works foreman.

4. Corporate Services

- a. CAO and planner meeting with appraiser
- b. Ongoing meetings with BV daycare
- c. Mayor and CAO meeting with strategic planning consultant
- d. CAO attendance at WorkSafe BC seminar
- e. Budget meetings with CFO
- f. CAO and LCAHS meeting
- g. Mayor, Councillor Wenman and CAO attended meeting at RDKB for BV water
- h. CAO and CFO meeting on off-site services at LCAHS
- i. CAO working with union on HR
- j. Meeting on BV Middle School structure
- k. Mayor and CAO meeting on active transportation plan
- l. CAO updating 2024 contracts with RDKB and consultants
- m. CAO and Foreman meetings with contractors

5. Former Middle School Project Master Planning.

- a. **Childcare project:** reports to province
- b. **Affordable Housing Lease:** January contractors have begun moving in equipment and have started moving dirt

Current Priorities

- 1. BV middle school structure – exploring next steps
- 2. Off-site servicing for LCAHS

CONCLUSION

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