



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, April 8, 2024

Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Fruitvale Council held on Monday, April 8, 2024 in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference .

- PRESENT:** Mayor Morissette, Councillor Ellison, Councillor Mason, and Councillor Wenman
- EXCUSED:** Councillor Startup
- STAFF:** Chief Administrative Officer Lashar, Chief Financial Officer Partridge, Acting Public Works Foreman Ihas and Recording Secretary Gallamore
- PUBLIC:** 20

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Morissette called the meeting to order at 6:00 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-67-2024

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the agenda be amended to include under 12. D. Wastewater Financial Management Policy AND FURTHER THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

A. Donovan Brown, Concerned Citizen regarding Implementation of local Climate Action Plans

Mr. Brown spoke to Council on the implementation of Climate Action Plan and Land Use Bylaws.

B. Move to In Camera Meeting for the RDKB delegation of Area A Director A. Grieve and Facilities Manager M. Daines

RES-68-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT by unanimous decision of Council, the regular meeting be recessed 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 6:12 pm.

CARRIED**RES-69-2024**

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Mason

THAT the regular meeting reconvene at 6:44 pm.

CARRIED**5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES****A. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 4, 2024****RES-70-2024**

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held March 4, 2024 be amended by removing Councillor Ellison from being present: AND FURTHER THAT the March 4, 2024 minutes be adopted as amended.

CARRIED**B. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 18, 2024****RES-71-2024**

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 18, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED**C. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held March 21, 2024****RES-72-2024**

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Wenman

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on March 21, 2024 be amended to correct the spelling of Councillor Mason; AND FURTHER THAT that the minutes be approved as amended.

CARRIED

- D. Minutes of the Warfield, Montrose and Fruitvale Inter-Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held February 21, 2024

RES-73-2024

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Wenman

THAT the Minutes from the Warfield, Montrose and Fruitvale Inter-Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 be received as presented.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. For Information Only - Nil

7. STAFF REPORTS

- A. T. Gallamore, Beaver Valley Youth Action Network Coordinator
B. J. Startup, Public Works Foreman - no report

Acting Works Foreman attended the meeting on behalf of Public Works Foreman Startup. A discussion took place about bike racks.

- C. P. Lashar, Chief Administrative Officer

CAO Lashar updated Council on the opening of the Beaver Valley Childcare Centre on Monday April 15, 2024.

RES-74-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

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

A. Council Member Reports

- a. Councillor C. Ellison

Councillor Ellison spoke to her report.

- b. Councillor J. Mason - no report
- c. Councillor W. Startup
- d. Councillor B. Wenman
Councillor Wenman spoke to his report.
- e. Mayor/RDKB Director S. Morissette
Mayor Morissette spoke to his report.

RES-75-2024

Moved by Ellison

Seconded by Mason

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

CARRIED

B. Committee of the Whole Recommendations - Nil**9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION**

- A. Email from K. Walker with a request for installation of a bike rack at the Fruitvale Memorial Centre

See Public Works Report

- B. Email from D. Piche regarding damage to vehicle from flying pucks from the sports court

A discussion took place regarding the purchase of the net at the Sports Court. More details to follow.

- C. Email and letter from M. Hudson, BV May Days requesting various items from the Village of Fruitvale for the annual event

CAO Lashar reminded Council that the permit for the road closure is a five year permit and it only allows for the closure of the highway for a parade. It was suggested that May Days use the pole yard for the car show as Pole Yard Lane is a Village road and does not require Ministry approval to close it to traffic. Councillor Ellison will advise the May Days executive.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Fruitvale Co-op/Main Street Motors Development Permit Application #DP2024-02

RES-76-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the Development Permit Application #DP-2024-02 from the Fruitvale Co-op for the installation of new signage and facade changes on the Main Street Motors building be approved as submitted on the condition that the applicant provides the new building colour scheme and materials to the Village Office for final review.

CARRIED

- B. Grand Opening of the Beaver Valley Childcare Centre - April 15, 2024

The Beaver Valley Childcare Centre will be opening on April 15, 2024 for ages 3-5.

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

- A. Village of Fruitvale Wildlife Attractant Control Bylaw No. 965, 2024 - Reconsideration and Adoption

RES-77-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Wildlife Attractant Control Bylaw No. 965, 2024 be reconsidered and finally adopted.

CARRIED

- B. Village of Fruitvale Wastewater (Sewer) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 970, 2024, being a bylaw to impose a parcel tax under the provisions of Division 4, Section 200 of the *Community Charter* - Second and Third Readings

A discussion took place regarding the wastewater parcel taxes.

RES-78-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the "Village of Fruitvale Wastewater Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 970, 2024" be read a second time.

CARRIED

- C. Village of Fruitvale 5-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Bylaw No. 971, 2024 - Second Reading

RES-79-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the Village of Fruitvale 5-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 971, 2024 be read a second time.

CARRIED

- D. Wastewater Financial Management Policy

Staff was instructed to bring the Wastewater Financial Management Policy to the next Committee of the Whole meeting for discussion.

13. OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

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

16. IN CAMERA SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

RES-80-2024

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:51 pm.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor



REPORT:

Date: April 8, 2024
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 March 2024.

Feb 2024 – Forgot to add February meeting. 4 Youth Volunteered at Family Fun Snow Day.

FAMILY FUN SNOW DAY

HAINES PARK FRUITVALE NEW LOCATION!
SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 10TH • 11AM - 2PM

Join your friends and neighbours at the park! Bring snow toys, but please leave dogs at home

EVENTS

- * Village People Sliding Ramp *
- * Snowshoeing - Bring your own and hike around the park or race your friends.
- * Hang out with the BV Nitehawks players and get autographs
- * Orienteering
- * South Columbia Search & Rescue Activity
- * Scavenger Hunt
- * Tug of War
- * Kiddies play area - toys, sled rides, snow painting
- * Art tent with button making
- * Mini Sticks
- * Snow Disc Golf
- * BV Daycare Centre Activity

FOOD (FREE, ACCEPTING CASH DONATIONS FOR THE BV FOOD BANK)

- Hot Dogs • Chili • Beaver Tails • Hot Chocolate • Coffee • Candy
- Popcorn • Cookies • Cotton Candy

PARTICIPATION PRIZES

For anyone who attends including spectators. Bring a chair, have a coffee, watch the fun!

Prizes and Give-aways include:

- Snowshoes • Beaver Valley Cross Country Family Ski Pass
- Disc Golf Discs • BV Nitehawks Swag • Beaver Valley Skate Passes
- Trail Aquatic Passes • Crazy Carpets • Up to Snow Good tattoos & stickers

HAINES PARK

UP TO SNOW GOOD

SPONSORED BY

BEAVER VALLEY
THRIVING COMMUNITIES
 SOCIETY

Regional District of
 Kootenay Boundary
We proudly acknowledge the
 support of Greater BC Green
 World Council (M.V.K.)

Columbia Basin **trust**

CANADIAN TIRE

NITEHAWKS

March 11-13, 2024 – Beaver Valley Youth Action Network & Fruitvale Elementary Partnered in Next Steps. 52 Youth participated in presentations on "Things they want changed in their community". Principle Page and Superintendent Shearer took part in the presentations ranging from after school activities and space, transportation, mall stores, SPCA and animal care, proper changerooms at the school.

March 22, 2024 – Beaver Valley YAN Glow Skate - cancelled due to Nitehawk's Playoffs.

March 2024 – Final BV Youth Action Network Ski Red Program. Red Ski Tickets.

March 5, 2024 – Basin Youth Network – Coordinator's Call

BYN Updates

Climate Action Forum 2024

We will send you the date as soon as possible. Please plan to support youth to meet in your community. If you personally are not available, please arrange for a staff / volunteer from your organization to host the youth. The BYN will provide funds to participating networks to cover the costs of food, facilitators and venue.

The BYN Climate Action Forum will invite participants from Community

Youth Networks to connect, learn about and be inspired by opportunities and pathways of climate action. The event is intended to generate hope and inspiration to act on climate change, broaden participants' horizons on climate action already taking place, and provide a venue for Basin youth to learn from and interact with Basin climate action leaders and each other.

Training opportunities:

We recently facilitated hiking/winter OCC Field Leader courses as well as the OCC Supervisor course. There are now 60 trained field leaders at 20 of the community youth networks. Additionally, there are 17 people at 11 networks who have taken the Supervisor course.

Networks are well situated to provide safe and high-quality hiking events in the region. Part of the OCC hiking field leader scope of practice is to be part of learning community. To that end we will plan to host 1 hour learning community zoom calls to discuss any pertinent topics about getting groups out.

We will also look at running OCC map and compass courses, as well as the Overnight Field Leader Certification. More information regarding these opportunities will be sent to certified field leaders. Register at <https://survey.ourtrust.org/SelectSurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=821H8I2>

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Gallamore, BVYAN Coordinator



SUBJECT/TITLE

CAO Report to April 8, 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 April 8, 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:

In the past month the Village received 6 complaints. While one complaint was unfounded, four of them were investigated and closed within few days by educating the offenders on the current regulations.

The sixth complaint involved a long-lasting dispute between neighbours that, since it's not a Municipal Bylaw matter, should be address through Civil litigation. The Bylaw officer suggested to the complainant to seek legal counsel for her options to resolve the dispute.

There are currently 10 files under investigation.

2. Water Works – from Jeff

Water Treatment Plant

- the annual genset load test and maintenance is coming due
- UV Reactors are running good.

Kelly Creek

- The creek is up to 27 inches. 9 Inches higher than two weeks ago.

Dam/Intake

- The intake building is being flushed every two weeks at this time. BBA has sent a proposal for the Dam Remediation project.(in the process of reading)

Connections

- A leak was repaired on Galloway Road in March
- Parts are in for # 34 Davis Ave. second connection.
- Waiting for manpower to fix Mazzochi Parks water service valve.

Flushes

- The public works crew has started flushing dead-end lines.

Hydrants

- Are ready for annual maintenance and flushing.

Backflow Assemblies

- The parks assemblies have been tested and are ready to be installed. The pressure differential gauge needs to be sent away and recalibrated, this is done annually.

Wells

- The Gensets have arrived and are sitting on the concrete pads. Waiting for the transfer switches to arrive and be installed.
- Well # 2 is ready to go online when needed.

Fruitvale Tank

- Waiting to hear dates from the contractor to clean the inside of the tank.

3. Public Works
See separate report from Public Works foreman.

Corporate Services

4. Meetings:
 - a. BV Daycare working on opening with Ministry for April 15th on News Release
 - b. CAO, CFO and staff working on annual audit with auditors
 - c. CAO completed MIABC training
 - d. CAO meeting KSCU foundation and BC Hydro meeting for grants
 - e. CAO attendance at Selkirk College Students presentation at FMC
 - f. Budget meetings with CFO
 - g. Ongoing meetings with CAO, BC Housing and LCAHS
 - h. CAO attendance at BV recreation master plan
 - i. Legal meetings on contracts on ongoing projects
 - j. CAO and CFO submitted MFA documents
 - k. CAO and foreman attendance at the RDKB fire smart meeting
 - l. CAO attendance at chamber of commerce event
 - m. CAO meeting with strategic planner
 - n. CAO working with RDKB on building permits
5. Former Middle School Project Master Planning.
 - a. **Childcare project:** opening April 15th 2024
 - b. **Affordable Housing Lease:** ongoing updates to agreements

Current Priorities

1. BV middle school structure – all documents submitted to MFA
2. Off-site servicing for LCAHS: working grading requirements on road

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 April 8, 2024.

March 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 Executive Meeting March 26, 2024.
 - The Kiddie cars are being refurbished for the Beaver Valley May Days Event. They are in the process of being painted. Discussion took place on the sponsorship of the Kiddie Cars.
 - Security will be increased for the beer gardens. It was discussed to hire 2 professional security guards.
 - Thoughts on which movie will be played was discussed. Mike asked the executive to forward their ideas to him and 3 options will be selected, they would be posted online and have the community select the movie.
 - The car show has yet to be organized as a location has yet to be determined.

OTHER

- I attended the South Kootenay Tourism Plan meeting on March 12, 2024 and the Open House on March 21, 2024.
 - Suzanne Denbak will present the Tourism Plan to Council if there is an interest.
- I was unable to attend the Beaver Valley Outreach Meals Program with the other Volunteers on March 5, 2024 as I was out of town.
- I attended the open house where students of Selkirk College provided presentations on items that would add value to the Village of Fruitvale.
 - The presentations were informative and well done.
- I attended the Senior's Luncheon on March 19, 2024. I provided one of the door prizes for the places I work and play.
 - A gift certificate for Boston Pizza for \$25.00 from myself.
 - A gift certificate for Country Roads for \$20.00 from the Village of Fruitvale Council.
 - A \$20.00 gift Certificate from the Co-op as I hold a position on the Board of Directors.
 - A \$20.00 gift certificate from Beaver Valley Lions Club as I hold the position as Vice President.
 - 2 Adult Playoff Tickets for Beaver Valley Nitehawks totaling \$30.00 this is where I volunteer some time.



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COUNCILOR ELLISON REPORT

- I provided comments to Mark Daines for the Beaver Valley Recreation Masterplan. Mark let me know the BV Recreation Committee accepted my edits and has incorporated them into the masterplan.
- I went and looked at Beaver Creek Arbour.
- I would like to host an Open House/Networking session for the businesses of Fruitvale.
 - Erika Krest, Chamber of Commerce would work with me to make this an advantageous gathering for everyone.
 - I would like to hold this is event in September 2024 and am requesting funding to host the affair.
- I would like to see an Information Booth erected for the residents of Fruitvale as well as tourists.
 - The Village of Fruitvale has so much to offer and I think we are missing out by not having a visible building to obtain information on the area and surrounding area.
 - The pole yard maybe the perfect placement for this structure along with other planned structures.
- Budgets reviews are ongoing.

Respectfully submitted,
Councilor Catherine Ellison



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COUNCILLOR STARTUP REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on April 8th, 2024

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Lower Columbia Community Development Team Society (LCCDT):

1. Attended LCCDTS Meeting:
 - a. LCIC and LCCDTS amalgamation approved in February and work continues on the streamlining of services and transfer of assets
 - b. Low attendance due to spring break period and not much to report overall

Lower Columbia Community Health Centre Network:

1. Our proposal for the community health centre in Trail has been accepted in principle.
2. Negotiations are underway with Interior Health on staffing allocations for the site.
3. The lower floor of the Fortis building has been selected for the CHC in Trail and work continues on the site selection for Rossland.
4. BV Clinic owners have signed off on a Memorandum of Understanding with the LCCHC to take over day-to-day operations of the clinic. PRIMA will be involved with staffing. This project is moving along at good speed.
5. Fund-raising strategies are in development.
6. We continue to meet bi-weekly at minimum to maintain focus and momentum. Working Committees have been re-aligned to match project development and progress.

Beaver Valley Childcare Centre:

1. Funding for playground has been confirmed and work is underway to complete what can be done over the next few months.
2. Teck has granted us \$5000 for playground equipment.
3. Fortis has committed to assist us as needed.
4. Other funding sources are actively being pursued.
5. Licensing has been approved.

Other:

1. Provided feedback on draft Strategic Plan.
2. Attended BV Rec masterplan meeting.
3. Sent feedback to the Provincial representatives on the circular economy specific to this area.

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Wes Startup



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COUNCILOR WENMAN REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on Mon 08 Apr 2024

MEETINGS:

Council Meeting Mon 04 Mar 2024

Budget discussions.

Special Council Meeting Thursday 21 Mar 2024

1st Reading of 2024 budget.

1st reading of Parcel Tax and wastewater financial Management Policy.

COMMITTEES:

Village Of Fruitvale

Committee of the Whole Mon 18 Mar 2024

Budget discussions

RDKB

Committee – WKRHD

Meeting – 27 Mar 2024 – 2% increase in funding request.

RDKB Utilities Committee

Meeting 13 Mar 2024 – Discussion about funding water mains for Phase 1 BV Middle School Masterplan.

ReDI Grant Submission Review

I attended the ReDi CBT funding review request with Montrose, Area A and Fruitvale on 11 Mar 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.

Creekside Masterplan – Meet with Architects Thursday 7 Mar 2024 for Creekside North Pavilion. I believe CBT has stated that they will fund the Pavilion Concept design.

Haines Park Masterplan – Discussion on Haines Park Ballfield and Ryder Pavilion. Consider concept design funding using surplus funds from Creekside concept design if CBT funding obtained.

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. This is my second request.

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.

Strategic Plan 2024- 2028

I reviewed the Strategic Plan. I made some comments considering the amount of funds we should be placing into Infrastructure.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Bill Wenman



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MAYOR/RDKB DIRECTOR MORISSETTE REPORT

Council Report for Council Meeting held on April 8th, 2024

MAYOR'S REPORT

COMMITTEE/LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Personnel and Bargaining Committee:

- No meeting this month to report on.

South Kootenay Green Link Steering Committee

- Consultant continues work on the draft plan, no meeting this month to report.

Kootenay Local Gov't Renewable Energy Working Group

- No meeting this month to report.

Highway 3 Mayors' Coalition

- No meeting this month.

South Columbia Mayors' Coalition

- No Meeting this month.

Columbia Basin Trust

- Area A Director Ali Grieve and I met with Community Support Liaison Patrick Checknita to get any updates on funding streams and give updates on BV Rec and Fruitvale projects. I discussed with him the Ball Park upgrades, Creekside Park (former Rotary Park), Creekside upper behind the Hall and moving forward on a design for the Gazebo/Arbour. Patrick stated they have committed \$5000 toward design for us. To further fund construction it will be favourable to build it as a First Nations style Arbour such as at Beaver Creek Park with consultation with First Nations.
- On March 11th, we (Mayor Walsh, Director Grieve, and I each with another representative) (Bill for us) met in the Montrose Hall, went over and heard presentations from applicants and following the public meeting discussed and allocated funding to various projects in the BV. We had our biggest ask for funding ever, \$267,000 ask with \$112,000 of funding to share.

Childcare Centre outdoor play area

- Met with Kootenay Savings Rep to discuss supportive funding.
- Talked with BC Hydro regarding supportive funding.
- Met with Fortis BC Rep's to discuss supportive funding.
- Met with Teck to discuss supportive funding.

Communication regarding Fruitvale

- I attended a zoom meeting on invitation by Selkirk College consultant Barry Burciul to give local gov't partners input on future direction for Selkirk College. I shared that I felt there may be an opportunity for a Local Gov't CAO/Corporate Officer training

course in the interior; currently there is only one location on Vancouver Island. I explained the issue smaller Municipalities have filling these positions. I also shared that there would be a benefit to a course for basic training for entry level Public Works candidates with training on common tasks in local gov't such as: confined space entry, equipment operation and minor maintenance such as for snowplow, backhoe, lawnmower, basic training for water and sewer treatment, etc.

- I also attended another online meeting with a UBC Doctorate candidate regarding "Exploring Health Vulnerabilities and Adaptation to Climate Change". She and her partners are interviewing several rural communities to find how we are coping and what we are doing to mitigate the health risks. We discussed things such as wildfire smoke, drought, extreme heat & cold. I asked for and we will receive her report/thesis when completed.
- I attended the ETSI-BC Executive Board meeting March 15th. We supported \$525,000 worth of Econ-dev projects in the southern interior with the Fall 2023 funding, Spring funding is now open. A further Provincial Gov't top up to our fund of \$10 million will help us to build our fund allowing more financial support in the future.

RDKB DIRECTOR REPORT

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

- **Board of Directors**

- Finalized the RDKB 2024 budget this month.
- Presentation from Boundary Community Food Ventures who are looking to share their knowledge and expand their range of assistance into our area. They are happy to do a presentation to Council. As these are volunteer positions and they are located in the Boundary region, I'd like to invite them to present at one of our CoW meetings and offer them mileage expense reimbursement. I would also invite representatives from our Food Bank to attend as well.

- **East End Services**

- We had a presentation from the LCIC, they shared that they are doing a feasibility study on developing a West Kootenay recruitment agency.
- They also are planning a lobbying package particularly for us to use at UBCM regarding the proposed "low level crossing" at the Waneta Border.
- We had a transit shelter update from our consultant.

- **Solid Waste Management steering committee**

- No meeting in March.

- **Beaver Valley Parks & Trails**

- BV Rec plans to put together a volunteer development strategy for the Valley.
- Planning a BV Recreation Masterplan implementation sub committee to look at options to implement the masterplan findings.

- **West Kootenay Transit Committee**

- No meeting this month.

- **Policy & Personnel**

- Staff compensation is being reviewed by a third-party consultant. RDKB policy states our Managers will be maintained between 95-105% of the average rate of compensation for comparable positions in similar sized Regional Districts.

- **Education & Advocacy**

- We will ramp up lobbying for a proposed low-level crossing at the Waneta Border.
- We will lobby for increased vigilance and further inspection stations for invasive mussels.
- It was decided we will continue to work with the Province on the Emergency Management and Disaster Act.

Respectfully submitted,
Mayor Steve Morissette