



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, February 3, 2025

Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

Minutes of the Regular Council of the Village of Fruitvale Council held on Monday, February 3, 2025 in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chamber and Zoom Video Conference

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor C. Guesford (Ellison), Councillor Mason, Councillor and Councillor Wenman

EXCUSED:

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

PUBLIC:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor C. Guesford (Ellison), 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-12-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the February 3, 2025 Council Meeting agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

- A. Kyla Crockett - Gym membership and gym users.
ReDi grand application, future plans for gym.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on January 6, 2025

RES-13-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on January 6, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

B. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 20, 2025

RES-14-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 20, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. For Information Only

1. Trail-Rossland 2026 BC Winter Games
2. Protecting Taxpayers from Overspending on Local Government Construction
3. Heritage Week

RES-15-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the For Information Only items be received as presented.

CARRIED

7. STAFF REPORTS

- A.** K. Friesen, Beaver Valley Youth Action Network Coordinator
- B.** J. Startup, Public Works Foreman
- C.** P. Lashar, Chief Administrative Officer

RES-16-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the staff reports from K. Friesen, J. Startup and P. Lashar be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Reports

Councillor J. Mason

Councillor B. Wenman - Verbal Report

Deputy Mayor C. Guesford (Ellison)

RES-17-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the Council reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

Committee of the Whole Recommendations

Unfinished Business - Christmas Decorations Committee of Whole meeting
February 24, 2025

9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

A. Beaver Valley Nitehawk's Tailgate

RES-18-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT council approve the Beaver Valley Nitehawk's Tailgate event on
February 22, 2025, 4:00 PM. to 6:00 PM.

CARRIED

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. CFO M. Partridge

RES-19-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT council approve the accessibility committee plan as presented by the CFO.

CARRIED

B. 1946 Main Street T. Dehnel report

RES-20-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT Council direct the municipal planner to inform the owner that once the property owner has received a Release Notice or Certification Document from Ministry of Environment, direct staff to prepare a zoning bylaw amendment to permit a "service station, minor" operation on the parcel legally know as 1946 Main Street (civic address: 1967 Columbia Gardens Road; Lot 1 and Lot 2 Block B District Lot 1236 Plan NEP785C, PID 009-446-281 009-446-320). Further all costs will be paid by owner of the property and not the municipality.

CARRIED

C. Business License Fees and Regulations – Bill Julia

RES-21-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT council approve the \$90 flat rate for Business Licences 2026.

CARRIED

D. BV Blooming Society - Fruitvale Community Garden – Julia Bill

RES-22-2025

Moved by Mason

Seconded by Wenman

That Council support the request from Blooming Society #1 through #7, without #6 which is the removal of the lock on the main gate.

CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** 2025-2029 5 Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 980-2025

RES-23-2025

Moved Wenman
Seconded Mason

THAT the Village of Fruitvale's 2025-2029 5-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 980, 2025 be read a first time.

CARRIED

- B.** Letter of support Blooming Society ReDi Grant

RES-24-2025

Moved Mason
Seconded Wenman

Council direct staff to write a letter of support for the Blooming Society ReDi Grant.

CARRIED

- C.** ReDi Grant Gym upgrade equipment.

RES-25-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT Thriving Communities and the Village of Fruitvale write the ReDi grant for the municipal gym.

CARRIED

- D.** RDKB Alternate C. Guesford (Ellison)

RES-26-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT council to appoint Deputy Mayor C. Guesford (Ellison) as alternate director at RDKB.

CARRIED

E. Kootenay ICBL - Ride Hailing

Table to February 24th Committee of the Whole.

F. Location Christmas celebration Candy Cane Lane.

RES-27-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT council approve Candy Cane Lane to be located at the Pole Yard for 2025.

CARRIED

G. RDKB Grant in Aid - List of events

RES-28-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT council advise staff to write for RDKB Grant in Aid for Remembrance Day and Candy Cane Lane.

CARRIED

H. RDKB East End Services - Noxious Weed Service beyond Area A (around WANETA).

RES-29-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT Council accept the Noxious Weed Plan.

CARRIED

I. Nitehawk's Hall Rental

RES-30-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT staff be directed to inform Beaver Valley Nitehawk's Team that council approved waiving all hall fees for their events up to 4 times a year,

they will need to show proof of a deposit and insurance. That the Nitehawk's Alumni will pay the not for profit rate moving forward for all events, and will need insurance and a deposit.

CARRIED

J. Bylaw Enforcement Officer

THAT Council accept the report from the Bylaw Enforcement Officer regarding a rental property.

RES-31-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

A. Animal Control Bylaw

RES-32-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT staff to update Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 976, 2024, removing reference to SPCA.

CARRIED

B. Business License Bylaw No. 981-2025

RES-33-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT Council approve the removal of fees from the Business License Bylaw No. 981-2025 and be included in the Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 982, 2025.

C. Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 982-2025

RES-34-2025

Moved Wenman

Seconded Mason

THAT Council approve the flat fee for business licenses and campground fee increase, as stated in by law stated in Bylaw No. 982-2025.

CARRIED

13. OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

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

16. IN CAMERA SESSION

THAT Council recess the regular meeting and move to a closed session pursuant to Community Charter Section 90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations; at 9:00 pm.

17. ADJOURNMENT

RES-35-2025

Moved Wenman

THAT the regular meeting adjourn at 9:46 PM

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor