



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, April 7, 2025

Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

Minutes of the Regular Council of the Village of Fruitvale Meeting held on Monday, April 7, 2025 in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

PRESENT: Mayor W. Startup, Councillor Guesford (Ellison), Councillor Mason, and Councillor Wenman

EXCUSED: Recording Secretary T. Gallamore

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

PUBLIC:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor W. Startup 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-57-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the agenda be amended with the addition of 11F new hours for Regular Council Meeting, and further that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

A. Urban Systems to present flood mapping grant update via zoom.

Council received an update from Urban Systems on the flood mapping grant via Zoom Video conference.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 3, 2025.

RES-58-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held March 3, 2025 be tabled to the May 5, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

- B.** Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 24, 2025.

RES-59-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 24, 2025 be tabled to the May 5, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A.** For Information Only

7. STAFF REPORTS

- A.** K. Friesen, Beaver Valley Youth Action Network Coordinator
- B.** J. Startup, Public Works Foreman

Public Works Foreman verbally reported that he received a request from the BV Blooming Society to remove the rain garden at the Fruitvale Memorial Centre. Staff was instructed to place this item for discussion on the April 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole agenda.

- C.** P. Lashar, Chief Administrative Officer

CAO Lashar verbally updated Council on the By-election.

RES-60-2025

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

- A.** Councillor C. Guesford (Ellison)
- B.** Councillor J. Mason

Councillor Mason - update Fortis will host a community day in the Village of Fruitvale

C. Councillor B. Wenman

D. Mayor W. Startup

Mayor Startup thanked Deputy Mayor C. Guesford (Ellison), Council members and staff for their help over the past few months prior to the by-election.

RES-61-2025

Moved by Ellison

Seconded by Mason

THAT the Council reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS

9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

A. Fruitvale Farmers' Market request for assistance for the 2025 Markets.

A discussion took place regarding the request from the Fruitvale Farmers' Market for assistance from the Village of Fruitvale for the 2025 season.

B. Pole Yard Garage Sale request for assistance for the 2025 Garage Sales.

A discussion took place regarding the request from the organizers of the Trunk and Tailgate garage sales in the Pole Yard for assistance from the Village of Fruitvale for the 2025 season.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Chief Financial Officer M. Partridge

CFO Partridge spoke with Council on the changes to the 2025-2029 5-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 980, 2025.

RES-62-2025

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT Council approve a Special Council Meeting at 5:30 PM on April 28, 2025 to give third reading to the 2025-2029 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 980, 2025.

CARRIED

B. Chief Financial Officer M. Partridge update Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Fee for Service Requisition amount.

CFO Partridge updated Council on the service requisition amount from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

- C. Doane Grant Thornton – 2024 Village of Fruitvale Audited Financial Statements.

RES-63-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT Council approve the Village of Fruitvale 2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented by Doane Grant Thornton.

CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Interim Housing Needs Report

RES-64-2025

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Wenman

THAT Council accept the Interim Housing Needs Report submitted by the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

CARRIED

- B. Inter-municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting

RES-65-2025

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Wenman

THAT Council accept the minutes of the Inter-municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on February 27, 2025.

CARRIED

- C. Gym Fees

RES-66-2025

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Wenman

THAT the Gym Fees be tabled to the June 2025 Council meeting.

CARRIED

- D. Deputy Mayor Position

RES-67-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the Deputy Mayor position be tabled to the April 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

CARRIED

E. Service Pamphlet

RES-68-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the service pamphlet be tabled to the April 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting

CARRIED

F. 11 F. New Hours for Regular Council Meetings

RES-69-2025

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Wenman

THAT the new hours for regular Council meetings be tabled to the April 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

A. Business License Bylaw No. 981, 2025.

RES-70-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Business License Bylaw No. 981, 2025 be read a third time.

CARRIED

B. Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 982, 2025.

RES-71-2025

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Mason

THAT the Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 982, 2025 be read a third time.

CARRIED

C. PW-2013-09 Memorial Centre Policy.

RES-72-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Mason

THAT the PW-2013-09 Memorial Centre Policy be tabled to the June 2025 meeting.

CARRIED

D. ADM-2014-01 Social Media Facebook Policy

RES-73-2025

Moved by Mason
Seconded by Ellison

THAT Staff be directed to review and revise the ADM-2014-01 Social Media Facebook Policy.

CARRIED

13. OPEN DISCUSSION (10 MINUTE LIMIT)

A. Fire Safety & Prevention Bylaw No. 749, 2006 Discussion.

RES-74-2025

Moved by Ellison
Seconded by Mason

THAT the discussion on the Fire Safety & Prevention Bylaw No. 749, 2006 be placed on the April 28, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda.

CARRIED

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

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

16. IN CAMERA SESSION

RES-75-2025

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) (c) labour relations or other employee relations at 9:01 pm.

CARRIED

RES-76-2025

Moved by Wenman
Seconded by Ellison

THAT the regular meeting reconvene at 9:10 pm.

CARRIED

17. ADJOURNMENT

RES-77-2025

Moved by Wenman

THAT the meeting adjourn at 9:11 pm.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor