



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, January 12, 2026

Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Fruitvale Council held on Monday, January 12, 2026 in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

PRESENT: Mayor Startup, Councillor Guesford, Councillor Halifax, Councillor Mason, and Councillor Wenman

EXCUSED:

STAFF: Chief Administrative Officer Dehnel, CFO Partridge, and Recording Secretary Gallamore

PUBLIC:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor 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-1-2026

Moved by Guesford
Seconded by Mason

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 1, 2025

RES-2-2026

Moved by Halifax
Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held December 1st, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Proposed Bill M-216 - Village of Fruitvale response
B. City of Quesnel - letter of support PG - North Van Railway Engagement and Assessment
C. Beaver Valley Thriving Communities Society - Up To Snow Good

RES-3-2026

Moved by Halifax
Seconded by Wenman

THAT the Village approve the Beaver Valley Thriving Communities Society use of the Haines Park concession for Up To Snow Good on February 7, 2026.

CARRIED

- D. BC Communities in Bloom registration and invitation
E. Canada Community Building Fund - Community works fund payment 2025/2026 \$76,283
F. Sierra Club Defend the North Coast Tanker Ban and Protect Coast

RES-4-2026

Moved by Halifax
Seconded by Wenman

THAT the For Information Only items be received as presented.

CARRIED

7. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Public Works - Report attached
B. P. Dehnel, Chief Administrative Officer - Report attached
C. Chief Financial Officer - Report attached

- D. K. Friesen, Beaver Valley Youth Action Network Coordinator - Report attached
- E. M. Stevens Financial Specialist - 2025 Building Permits

RES-5-2026

Moved by Halifax
Seconded by Guesford

THAT the staff reports from the Public Works, Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Beaver Valley Youth Action Network Coordinator and Financial Specialist be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Councillor Guesford – No Report
- B. Councillor Halifax – Verbal Report
- C. Councillor Mason - Verbal Report
- D. Councillor Wenman - Report received
- E. Mayor W. Startup - Verbal Report

RES-6-2026

Moved by Guesford
Seconded by Halifax

THAT the Council reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

- A. Oath of Offices / Signing authority - CAO and CFO

RES-7-2026

Moved by Guesford
Seconded by Halifax

THAT upon signing the Oath of Office to become the Village of Fruitvale Chief Administrative Officer/Corporate Officer, Patricia Dehnel be added as signing authority for the Village of Fruitvale.

CARRIED

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Creekside North Proposal - Discussion took place

11. NEW BUSINESS

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

A. Rates and Fees, Charges Bylaw No. 991, 2025 - (sewer, garbage)

RES-8-2026

Moved by Halifax
Seconded by Guesford

Opposed Councillor Mason
THAT the Village of Fruitvale Rates, Fees and Charges (sewer, garbage)
Amendment Bylaw No. 991, 2025 be read a third time.

CARRIED

13. OPEN DISCUSSION

**14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RELATED TO AGENDA
ITEMS (10-MINUTE MAX)**

15. ADJOURNMENT

RES-9-2026

Moved by Wenman

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:18 pm.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor