



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, March 9, 2026

Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference

Minutes of the Regular Council of the Village of Fruitvale Council held on Monday, March 9, 2026 in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference .

PRESENT: Mayor Startup, Councillor Guesford via zoom, Councillor Mason, and Councillor Wenman

EXCUSED: Councillor Halifax

STAFF: Chief Administrative Officer Dehnel, CFO Partridge

PUBLIC: 9

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-18-2026

Moved by Wenman

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 February 9, 2026

RES-19-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held February 9, 2026 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

- B. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held February 23, 2026

RES-20-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held February 23, 2026 be amended and adopted as presented, by adding the word "options" to the Recommended statement in item 6B.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. RDKB Building Permit Update - End of February 2026

- B. Council Information Summary March 4, 2026

RES-21-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the For Information Only items be received as presented.

CARRIED

7. STAFF REPORTS REQUIRING ACTION

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

RES-22-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Guesford

THAT the staff reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS (ACTION OR INFORMATION)

- A.** Councillor Guesford – Report attached
- B.** Councillor Halifax – not in attendance for regular council meeting
- C.** Councillor Mason - Verbal report
Community in Bloom
- D.** Councillor Wenman
- E.** Mayor W. Startup - Report attached

RES-23-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT the Council reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Appointment of Chief Election Officers

RES-24-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Mason

THAT M. Stevens be appointed Chief Election Officer and P. Dehnel be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Village of Fruitvale local general election in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS/POLICIES

A. Chief Financial M. Partridge - Middle School roof repair

RES-25-2026

Moved by Mason

Seconded by Guesford

THAT no money be spent to repair the Middle School Roof, as outlined in the Chief Financial Officers Request for Decision Bylaw No. 992, 2026 Report dated March 9, 2026.

CARRIED

B. RFD CFO Partridge - Village of Fruitvale 5-Year Financial Plan (2026-2030) Bylaw No. 992, 2026 - First reading

RES-26-2026

Moved by Wenman

Seconded by Guesford

THAT the Village of Fruitvale 5-Year Financial Plan 2026-2030 Bylaw No. 992, 2026 be read for a first time.

CARRIED

13. OPEN DISCUSSION

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

15. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS (1-MINUTE MAX)

16. IN CAMERA SESSION

A. In Camera Session

RES-27-2026

Moved by Mason

Seconded by Wenman

THAT Council move to a closed meeting pursuant to *Community Charter* Section (1)(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality; (c) labour relations or other employee relations; (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public; (l) discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [*annual municipal report*]; and recess the regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

CARRIED

RES-28-2026

Moved by Mason

Seconded by Wenman

THAT the open meeting resume at 8:02 pm.

CARRIED

B. Items moved from In-Camera:

IC-RES-09-2026

THAT the Village of Fruitvale award the Green Road Watermain Replacement Contract to Gally Equipment Services Ltd. in the amount of \$697,588.55 plus GST.

IC-Res-10-2026

THAT IC-RES-09 item be moved to Regular Meeting.

17. ADJOURNMENT

RES-29-2026

Moved by Wenman

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:02 pm.

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor