

FORT FRASER LOCAL COMMUNITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, August 7, 2025
Fort Fraser Community Hall

Present Commissioner Frederick Webster, Chair
Commissioner Don Webster
Commissioner Linda Cochran
Commissioner Steve Cochran
Area "D" Director Mark Parker
Alex Eriksen, Director of Environmental Services, RDBN
Janette Derksen, Waste Diversion Supervisor, RDBN
Cole Minger, Environmental Services Operations Supervisor
Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services, RDBN
Kathy Thon
Don Thon
Yvan Laramée, Fort Fraser Fire Chief
Mike Raymond
Tiffany Raymond
Gwen Copeman
Robert Hughes
Robert Gatacre
Rhonda Lindquist
Michelle Gatacre
Pam Sholty
Claudette Mack
Joe Tito

Call To Order Fred Webster called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Agenda

FFLCC 25-04-1 Moved by Don Webster/Seconded by Linda Cochran

That the Agenda for the meeting of August 7, 2025 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Minutes

That the minutes of June 27, 2025 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

Environmental Services Update

Janette Derksen, Waste Diversion Supervisor, provided the following update:

- Annual sewer line flushing
 - Everything flowing well
 - Summer student on staff
 - RFQ - sewer repairs
 - High priority areas - replacement and refurbishment
 - New isolation valves in a couple of spots
 - New aeration system is working well - blowers are in and aerating lagoons
 - Need to bury some pipes before winter
 - Removal of cattails
 - RFP for Scada system at the pump house
 - July 25th - annual inspection of water system by Northern Health
 - Emergency Response plan needs to be updated
 - Annual reporting behind
 - Overall good inspection
- Steve/Linda - receive report
- July 28th sewer lagoon inspection - monitored by Province and Federal Govt
 - encouraged by new blower system
 - Encouraged timely annual reporting
 - Overall satisfied with lagoon facility
 - drinking water chlorination
 - Have always been encouraged to chlorinate the water
 - Held off because of the great water
 - Put in chlorination system in spring when doing flushing of the hydrants
 - Monitoring residuals every week
 - Have been trying to lower the dose due to feedback
 - Had to increase dose to remove organics

- Organics and chlorine combined creates smell and taste
- Need to maintain current levels

FFLCC 25-04-3 Moved by Steve Cochran/Seconded by Linda Cochran

That the Environmental Services Update be received.

Carried Unanimously

Members of the public voiced the following concerns regarding chlorination:

- Water is often brown – unable to drink it
- Doesn't improve after letting it run
- Several health issues noted
- Expensive to buy water
- Can a better filtration system be installed
- Can multiple stations be installed to level out chlorination?
- Water should be chlorinated before it reaches the pumphouse
- Dead grass where hose ran in an attempt to clear the water
- Can a meeting be held with Northern Health representation?

Commissioners indicated that water chlorination will be a priority. Answers will be sought from Northern Health.

Area D Director

Mark Parker reported that there were a few fires over the weekend that resulted in evacuation orders/alerts.

He added that the Board is preparing to meet with several Ministers at the upcoming Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention.

He commented that the house in Fort Fraser that recently burned will be demolished in the near future.

FFLCC 25-04-4 Moved by Steve Cochran/Seconded by Linda Cochran

That the Area D Director's report be received.

Carried Unanimously

New Business

None.

Next Meeting Date

To be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

FFLCC 25-04-5 **Moved by Don Webster /Seconded by Steve Cochran**

That the meeting be adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Fred Webster, Chair
FFLCC

Cheryl Anderson
Director of Corporate Services