FORT FRASER LOCAL COMMUNITY COMMISSION

Annual General Meeting December 15, 2025 11:00 AM

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Boardroom

Call to Order – Curtis Helgesen, CAO, RDBN

Elections

- Election of Chairperson
- Election of Vice Chairperson

Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as proposed

Minutes

Motion to accept the minutes of October 20, 2025

Business Arising from the Minutes

Reports

- John Illes, Chief Financial Officer Preliminary 2026 Budget and Actuals
- Janette Derksen, Waste Diversion Supervisor and Utility Operator
 - Environmental Services Operations Update
 - Pump 1 Upgrade
 - SCADA RFP
 - Fort Fraser Lagoon Update
- Janette Derksen Fort Fraser Water System Chlorination
- Area "D" Director Report- Mark Parker
- Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services Proposed 2026
 Meeting Schedule

New Business

Next Meeting Date – February, 2026

Adjournment

FORT FRASER LOCAL COMMUNITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Monday, October 20, 2025 Via Zoom

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

John Illes, Chief Financial Officer – left at 2:30 p.m.

Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services, RDBN

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

<u>Agenda</u>

FFLCC 25-05-1 Moved by Don Webster/Seconded by Steve Cochran

That the Agenda for the meeting of October 20, 2025 be

approved.

Carried Unanimously

Minutes

FFLCC 25-05-2 Moved by Steve Cochran/Seconded by Don Webster

That the minutes of August 7, 2025 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

Business Arising from the Minutes

Don Webster questioned the updates referred to at the last meeting regarding the Emergency Response Plan.

Alex Eriksen responded that it is important to have backup procedures in the event of a failure. He indicated that the Protective Services Department is preparing emergency response plans and there will be an exercise in December to test the procedures.

Don Webster questioned if the annual reporting has been brought up to date.

Alex Eriksen indicated that the reports will be reconciled over the winter.

REPORTS

2025 3RD Quarter Actuals

FFLCC 25-05-3 Moved by Steve Cochran/Seconded by Linda Cochran

That the 2025 3rd Quarter Actuals be received.

Carried Unanimously

<u>Fort Fraser Water</u> Moved by Don Webster/Seconded by Linda Cochran <u>and Sewer Utility</u> Bill Invoices

That the Commission direct staff to implement the due date as the "First Business Day in July" and the late due date as the "First Business Day in October" with a penalty amount of 5% for missing the due date and an additional penalty amount of 5% for missing the late due date.

Carried Unanimously

Environmental Services Update

Alex Eriksen reported that the chlorination levels in the water are fairly stable. The last residuals were between 0.12 and 0.4 bpm. The goal is to be between 0.2-0.4 bpm. Additional testing is being done on the source for ammonia as well as for chlorinated by-products.

True will do an analysis of all of the testing in 2025 and is prepared to present at a November community meeting. Environmental Services staff are working with Northern Health to have the Drinking Water Officer in attendance to explain why chlorination has been mandated.

Mark Parker advised that staff is looking at holding the meeting the week of November 17th, and probably an evening based on feedback from residents.

Don Webster commented that November 19, 20 or 21 would be preferable.

Alex Eriksen provided other updates as follows:

- sewer repairs RFQ closes this week for 2 small sections, and replacing valves at the lagoon so the system can be isolated for maintenance purposes
 - o A proponent will be determined in the next week
- booked pump replacement for pump 1 upgrading so it can keep up to the primary pump
 - more expensive than anticipated because it will be a variable frequency drive pump
 - compatible with SCADA
- Initially budgeted \$25,000 but with the changes, the cost is estimated to be \$70,000
 - Can use money from reserves to complete
- Mayfair will be completing this work did not receive quotes from other companies
- One bid was received for the SCADA system (remote monitoring) which will provide real time information
 - o Budgeted \$40,000, bid was \$130,000
 - Would be worthwhile to have a consultant design a system and put it out to bid next year with a defined scope of work

Don Webster asked if consideration had been given to hiring a part-time person to do the monitoring. He suggested it may be much cheaper than the SCADA system.

Alex Eriksen responded that they could look into it.

Mark Parker noted that it would be beneficial to have SCADA system that can be monitored remotely. He added that he would like to proceed with hiring a consultant and getting a cost for the system.

FFLCC 25-05-4 Moved by Don Webster/Seconded by Linda Cochran

That the Environmental Services Update be received.

Carried Unanimously

Area D Director

Mark Parker provided the following update:

- Attended Union of BC Municipalities Convention in September met with many ministers
 - Minister of Agriculture and Food
 - Weed control, increased noxious weeds following drought
 - Northwest Invasive Plant Council covers huge area with limited funding and resources
 - Need CN and Ministry of Transportation and Transit to be involved in weed control
 - Minister of Environment and Parks
 - Illegal dumping RDBN is providing information via social media and website
 - Posting signage for sites cleaned up by various groups where RDBN has provided grant in aid funding
 - Conservation Officers do not have capacity to deal with illegal dumping
 - Northern Health
 - Staffing shortages
 - Minister of Energy and Climate Solutions
 - Windfarms concerned about fast tracking projects with no requirement for environmental assess process
 - Accountability and cumulative effects
 - Multiple projects such as Nithi, FPX Nickel pushing for one corridor for transmission lines
- o Burned building in Fort Fraser still working on having it cleaned up

<u>FFLCC 25-05-5</u> Moved by Don Webster/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 25-05-5 Moved by Don Webster/Seconded by Linda

That the meeting be adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

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Fred Webster, Chair

FFLCC

Cheryl Anderson

Director of Corporate Services



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Fraser Local Community Commission

FROM: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: December 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Preliminary 2026 Budget and Actuals

RECOMMENDATION

Receipt

BACKGROUND

Fort Fraser Sewer and Water budgets

The 2025 Actuals column contains the actuals up until December 5, 2025.

- The 2026 Budget will have a target taxation similar to this year's amount. If necessary, the contribution to capital reserves will be lowered (or increased) to maintain a steady taxation amount between 2025 and 2026. In the beginning of January when the actual expenses for the year are finalized a better estimate for the 2026 budget can be made.
- The Capital costs are outlined later in the agenda. The water budget is currently assuming that \$150,000 of funding will be made available from capital sewer reserves, "gas tax" reserves, or the Northwest BC Regional Funding Agreement reserve. The Board has yet to fully discuss the distribution of these funds.
- Capital projects for the water service is the replacement of the main water pump and the installation of a SCADA system.
- Sewer projected are the continuation of the major sewer improvements started in November of this year. These improvements will continue into both 2026 and 2027.

Fort Fraser Local Community

The expenses to the end of the year have been estimated and are in the "actual" column. The taxation amount for this service is primarily driven by remuneration and the costs associated with the next election (in 2026 and 2030) and then the costs associated with training commissioners in 2027 and then again in 2031. The taxation cost per \$1,000 of assessed value is also listed in this budget for discussion purposes.

Fort Fraser Street Lighting Service

The street lighting service is expected to be very similar to the current year.

Attachment: Fort Fraser Sewer Budget (6101)

Fort Fraser Water Budget (6201) Local Community Budget (1501) Street Lighting Budget (9103)

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

FORT FRASER WATER SYSTEM 6201	18,532 metres	ı	Five Year Fin	ancial Plan:						
Parcel Tax Bylaw 1243,1593,1789 \$78,125										
	2023	2024	2025	2025	2026	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget
REVENUE:										
400003 Frontage Tax	61,448	62,347	63,234	63,234	70,080		69,259	69,133	68,224	67,935
450001 Connection Fees										
450002 User Fees (2022 \$281.00 2023 \$300)	49,805	51,641	52,984	51,686	53,030		54,090	55,172	56,276	57,401
499999 Prior Year's Surplus	41,043	16,290	28,170	28,170						
TOTAL REVENUE	152,296	130,278	144,388	143,090	123,110	-	123,349	124,306	124,500	125,336
EXPENDITURE:										
602001 Utilities	4,175	4,067	5,000	3,764	5,000		5,500	5,501	5,502	5,503
603005 Connection Expenses	.,	1,001	0,000	0,7.0.1	0,000		0,000	0,001	0,002	0,000
603008 R & M System	4,202	7,783	20,000	4,709	20,000		20,600	21,218	21,218	21,855
605301 Monitoring	800	1,410	500	5,478	5,000		5,000	5,150	5,150	5,150
606001 Communications - (control line & 1/2 phone/fax)	2,572	2,451	2,000	3,016	3,500		3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
606003 Advertising	151		250	40	250		250	250	250	250
608001 Property Insurance	1,608	4,130	4,000	6,098	6,500		6,250	6,438	6,631	6,830
608002 Liability Insurance	1,000	757	1,000		1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
608004 Permits, Licenses & Fees	1,060		650	922	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
609001 Supplies		1,125	500	3,043	3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
651010 Administration Service Charge	3,801	2,735	2,838	2,838	4,599		4,599	4,599	4,599	4,599
651012 Admin charge to Enviro Services	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500		12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500
679999 Miscellaneous Expense 799999 Prior Year's Deficit	1,860				40.644					
799999 Prior Year's Deficit					10,611					
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	33,728	36,958	49,238	42,408	72,960	-	63,199	64,156	64,350	65,186
Revenues minus Expenditures	118,568	93,320	95,150	100,682	50,150	-	60,150	60,150	60,150	60,150
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420099 Transfer from Capital or NCPG Reserve or Gas Tax Reserve of	or RBA Funds				150,000					
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781001 Contribution to Capital Reserve	85,000	65,000	20,000	20,000			60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
781004 Contribute to Insurance Reserve	150	150	150	150	150		150	150	150	150
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780001 New Capital Items	17,128	0	75,000	91,143	200,000					
490001 Use of Capital Items	95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000		95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000
780101 Amoritization	95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000		95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000
Revenues minus Expenditures and Transfers	16,290	28,170	0	-10,611	0	0	0	0	0	-0

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

LOCAL COMMUNITY - FORT FRASER	1501		Five Year	Financial Pl	an:										
Portion of Electoral Area "D"	Per \$1,000		0.429	0.429	0.422		0.831	0.552	0.561	0.571					
Code 0000005 756-AA26	2023	2024	2025	2025	2026	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2,035
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget								
REVENUE:															
400002 Taxation	3,966	4,050	7,443	7,443	7,322		14,421	9,578	9,737	9,900	15,316	10,235	10,408	10,584	10,514
443001 Province of BC - Administration Grant	5,500	5,500	5,000	5,000	5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
499999 Prior Year's Surplus	8,321	8,037	7,079	7,079	7,200		-	2,000	4,000	6,000	-	2,000	4,000	6,000	6,001
TOTAL REVENUE:	17,787	17,587	19,522	19,522	19,522	-	19,421	16,578	18,737	20,900	20,316	17,235	19,408	21,584	21,515
EXPENDITURE:															
600101 Commissioners Remuneration	7.036	6,950	7,668	6,434	7.668		7.821	7,978	8.137	8,300	8,466	8,635	8,808	8,984	9,164
600201 Comissioners Travel	1,195	330	750	44	750		5,750	750	750	750	6,000	750	750	750	6,500
601101 Employee Benefits	13		-	-	-		-	-	-	-	· -	-	-	-	· -
601109 Employer Health Tax	143	139	150	127	150		150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	151
601401 Staff Travel	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
609001 Supplies	81	-			200		200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
609011 Meeting Expenses	300	240	500	120	500		500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
610001 Election Expenses (Carry forward)	-	-	7,200		7,000		2,000	4,000	6,000	8,000	2,000	4,000	6,000	8,000	2,000
651010 Administration Service Charge	981	2,848	3,254	3,254	3,254		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE:	9,749	10,508	19,522	9,979	19,522	0	19,421	16,578	18,737	20,900	20,316	17,235	19,408	21,584	21,515
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO FORT FRASER STREET LIGHTING 9103

FORT FRASER STREET LIGHTING	9103								
LETTERS PATENT NO LIMIT SPECIFIED PORTION OF AREA D	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	2029 Budget	2030 Budget
REVENUE: 400002 Taxation 460001 Ministry of Highways Cost Recovery 499999 Prior Year's Surplus	9,986 451 1,013	12,038 462	8,958 400 1,642	8,958 794 1,642	8,356 400 2,244	10,600 400	10,600 400	10,600 400	10,600 400
TOTAL REVENUE	11,450	12,500	11,000	11,394	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
EXPENDITURE: 602001 Utilities - Hydro 779999 Misc. Expense 651010 Administration Service Charge 799999 Prior Year Deficit TOTAL EXPENDITURE	11,195 0 500 0 11,695	10,114 - 500 245 10,858	10,500 - 500 11,000	8,650 - 500 9,150	10,500 - 500 11,000	10,500 - 500 11,000	10,500 - 500 11,000	10,500 - 500 11,000	10,500 - 500 11,000
Revenues minus Expenditures	(245)	1,642	-	2,244	-	-	-	-	-

Updated There are 41 street lights at \$919.65 per month



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Fraser Local Community Commission

FROM: Janette Derksen, Waste Diversion Supervisor and Utility

Operator

DATE: December 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Fort Fraser Water System - Chlorination

RECOMMENDATION

Receive.

BACKGROUND

On Thursday, November 20th, the RDBN and the Commission hosted a Town Hall meeting at the Fort Fraser Community Hall to discuss chlorination of the Fort Fraser Water system with interested members of the public. Northern Health was represented by David Creighton, Drinking Water Specialist and Eunice Ezuruike, Environmental Health Officer. Will Bamsey from True Consulting was also at the meeting. Approximately 43 people were in attendance.

Northern Health presented on industry standards regarding drinking water systems and drinking water protection, and the use of chlorine to disinfect the water system. They touched on the Drinking Water Protection Act and the Regulations, and how they inspect systems to ensure that systems are being maintained in the interest of public health. They discussed the health benefits of using chlorine and the responsibility of the operator to provide potable water, along with some of the aspects of chlorine reaction to organics in the system when first introduced.

True Consulting presented on the water quality results from the system and the analysis of these results as compared to Health Canada's Drinking Water Guidelines. They discussed the chlorine residual testing from the system and that these tests show that the chlorine amounts are well below the acceptable industry standards. True Consulting concluded that the Fort Fraser Water system meets these guidelines and also meets the requirements from Northern Health as outlined in the RDBN's Permit to Operate.

DISCUSSION

The RDBN's Permit to Operate from Northern Health has the following condition regarding chlorine:

"Maintain a minimum free chlorine residual of at least 0.2 ppm throughout the distribution system.

As the operator/owner of the Fort Fraser Water System, the RDBN is mandated to provide potable water to the users of the system. The old water system was chlorinated when the source came from the Nechako River. When a new deep well source was established, the construction permit from Northern Health had the same chlorine conditions, and the infrastructure was put into place.

Over the years, the RDBN has received consistent recommendations from Northern Health that chlorine should be reestablished as a disinfectant for the water system. The liability and responsibility to the RDBN and the Water Operator as outlined by the Act, Regulations and the Environmental Operators Certification Program, was highlighted in late 2024 when water testing results showed a positive for total coliform. The below timeline shows the actions taken by the RDBN to address these results, and the decision to reintroduce chlorine to the system in the interest of public health and as per the strong recommendations from Northern Health.

Over the last 6 months, after reestablishing chlorine into the water system, the RDBN is acutely aware of the concerns brought forth by some community members, especially during the initial stages when chlorine is reacting to organics and some of the users are experiencing taste and smell differences not to their liking. Over this time period, and continuing, the RDBN has done rigorous testing while balancing the levels of chlorine in the system, under the guidance of Northern Health, and with the assistance of True Consulting. At no time has the water testing results exceeded the acceptable industry standards for chlorine.

At this time, and subsequent to hearing the communities concerns at the Town Hall, staff continue to recommend the use of chlorine as a disinfectant in the Fort Fraser Water System as recommended by Northern Health and as outlined in our Permit to Operate. If the Commission wishes to explore the steps required to consider removing chlorine from our Permit to Operate, they could pass a motion to have the RDBN Board consider this request. Before the RDBN Board considers this request, staff would recommend a legal opinion and consultation with our liability insurance providers on the possible risks associated with removing chlorine, and the operational changes (costs) that would be recommended if such a request was to be considered.

TIMELINE

October 2024 – Well 2-04 (Primary) and Well 1-94 (Back-up) were tested for their routine microbiology and chemical analysis, as per permit. Well 1-94 results showed positive for total coliforms.

November 2024 – Well 1-94 was re-sampled. Results showed positive for total coliforms and taken offline.

November 2024 – Mayfair Industrial was contacted to disinfect well. It was suggested to upgrade pump since they would have to pull it to disinfect and scrub biofilm.

December 2024 – Quotes were submitted for work but delayed due to winter temperatures.

April 2025 – work was delayed due to scope changes to include pump 2.

May 2025 – staff conversation about system protection and plans to implement chlorination. Potentially when staff did the system spring flush.

June 2025 – RDBN issued notice for Spring flushing, noted that "Chlorine will be added to the system."

June (16) 2025 – Start of Complaints about smell and taste were too strong. Shocking system was complete. Lowered dose to 4% (pump output).

June-July 2025 – Lower dosing .5% every two weeks Complaints continued.

July 2025 – Northern Health Inspection of System. Suggested increasing Chlorination again for a period of time to level out system.

August 2025 – More Public Complaints – FFLC meeting including Public. Discussed a future public meeting with Northern Health and Consultants.

September - November - Gradually adjusting Chlorine dosing.

November 20th 2025 – Town Hall Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Water System Permit to Operate
- 2. Fort Fraser Waterline Flushing June 13-18 & August 1, 2025 Flyers
- 3. Fort Fraser Water Systems Improvement Flyer
- 4. Nov 20, 2025 Public Meeting Flyer

PERMIT TO OPERATE

A Drinking Water System with 15-300 Connections

System Name:

Fort Fraser CWS

Physical Location:

Fort Fraser CWS

NW Corner Fort Fraser Elementary School

Fort Fraser BC

Owner Name:

Regional District of Bulkley Nechako

Conditions of Permit

Permitted to Operate: Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec

- > Maintain a minimum of four water bacteriology samples per month unless a greater frequency is requested by the Drinking Water Officer. Rotate sampling between each location.
- > Submit water chemistry data every 5 years unless the Environmental Health Officer requests a greater frequency.
- > Inspect the water storage reservoir on an annual basis & clean & disinfect the reservoir as required.
- > Maintain an up-to-date Emergency Response and Contingency Plan.
- > Operator must be trained and certified to the level specified by the Environmental Operators Certification Program.
- > Maintain an up-to-date Annual Report of the water system.
- >Maintain a minimum free chlorine residual of at least 0.2 ppm throughout the distribution system.

30-Mar-2000 Effective Permit Date Eunice Ezuruike
Environmental Health Officer

06-Nov-2025 Permit Revised Date





The RDBN will be performing biannual water line flushing throughout the Fort Fraser water system from Friday, June 13th through Wednesday, June 18th. This process involves the addition of chlorine to treat the system, while flushing sediment from the underground water lines using fire hydrants around the community.

During this time and for several days afterward you may encounter:

- A strong smell of chlorine in tap water
- Dark or discoloured water
- Air pockets in water supply causing sputtering faucets

If you experience any of these issues with your water, please run your faucets until the water runs clear.

If you continue to experience issues after having run your faucets for 30 minutes please call the RDBN.





Visit rdbn.bc.ca or call 250-692-3195 for more information.

Fort Fraser Water System

Improvements

We're reaching out to let Fort Fraser residents know that chlorine is now being added to the Fort Fraser water system as a protective disinfectant.

This step is being taken in compliance with the *BC Drinking Water Protection Regulation* (DWPR) and under the guidance of the Ministry of Health.



What You Might Notice

As we begin chlorination, you may notice:

- A slight chlorine taste or smell, especially in the first few weeks as we level out the system.
- Minor temporary changes in water pressure or clarity as lines are flushed. Run taps until this clears.

These are normal and do not pose a health risk. Your water will continue to meet or exceed all provincial drinking water safety standards.





Visit rdbn.bc.ca or call 1-800-320-3339 for more information.

Thank you for your patience and support as we introduce this important step toward protecting our community's health.



Fort Fraser water line flushing will take place on Friday, August 1.

Line flushing will also continue periodically for the next few months as we refine the system to deliver the best service.

Register for **Bulkley-Nechako Voyent Alert!** to receive Fort Fraser Water and Sewer Notices directly.

During this time, and for several days afterward, you may experience:

- a strong smell or taste of chlorine in tap water.
- dark or discoloured water.
- air pockets in the water supply that cause spluttering faucets.

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Fort Fraser Local Community Commission TOWN HALL MEETING

There will be a Town Hall Meeting regarding chlorination of the water system on Thursday, November 20, 2025. at the Fort Fraser Community Hall (470 Corporation St.)

Doors will open at 6:00 pm, with presentations starting at 6:15. We expect to wrap up at 8:00 pm

Residents are encouraged to attend and bring any questions.

Northern Health and TRUE Consulting will also be providing presentations.



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Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako MEMORANDUM

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To: Fort Fraser Local Community Commission

From: Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services

Date: December 15, 2025

Subject: 2026 Meeting Schedule

RECOMMENDATION: (all/directors/majority)

Direction.

BACKGROUND

The Fort Fraser Local Community Commission Service Establishment Bylaw states that a minimum of six meetings must be held annually. Staff propose that meetings be held in the following months:

February

April

June

August

October

December

At this time, staff is requesting that a date for the February meeting be confirmed.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Fort Fraser Local Community Commission UPCOMING MEETING

The next meeting of the Fort Fraser Local Community Commission will be Monday, December 15, 2025 at 11:00 am.

It will take place in the RDBN Boardroom at 37 3rd Ave., Burns Lake.

Public are welcome to attend online via Zoom at Meeting ID: 742 150 9814

Passcode: 583669

Find FFLCC Meeting Agendas and Minutes online using the QR code below.





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