

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee,
held via Zoom teleconference on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Gordy Robson	Council Liaison
Alec Biln, Chair	Member at Large
Jeff Laity, Vice Chair	Member at Large
Alex Pope	Fraser North Farmers Market Society Representative

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Adam Rieu	Staff Liaison, Planner 1
Mike McLean	Committee Clerk

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Lorraine Bates	Agricultural Fair Board Representative
Conley Keyes	B.C. Ministry of Agriculture (Non-voting member)

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:01 pm

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2022-007

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda for the April 28, 2022 Agricultural Advisory Committee Regular Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2022-008

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the January 27, 2021 Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS – NIL

5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Welcome Council Liaison

The Committee noted the return of Councillor Gordy Robson as Council Liaison.

5.2 Speaker Series

The Staff Liaison outlined the potential options for a speaker series event featuring experts or leaders in agricultural organizations, including possible venues and topics.

5.3 Community Gardens

The Staff Liaison described the potential options for a speaker series event featuring experts or leaders in agricultural organizations, including possible venues and topics.

R/2022-009

It was moved and seconded

That the Committee direct the Staff Liaison to prepare a report on the status of community gardens within the coming weeks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. LIAISON UPDATES

6.1 Staff Liaison

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the departure of the Agricultural Land Commission Representative from the Committee.

6.2 Council Liaison

The Council Liaison offered support and encouragement to Committee members and discussed his interest in the 2022 Food Garden Contest.

7. TASK FORCE UPDATES

7.1 2022 Food Garden Contest

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the 2022 Food Garden Contest, including the number of entries and the distribution of donation letters.

8. QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PUBLIC – NIL

9. ROUNDTABLE

Committee members discussed various topics related to their interest or involvement in agriculture.

10. ADJOURNMENT – 7:57 pm



Alec Biln, Chair