Edgemont & Upper Capilano Community Association

General Meeting
7:00pm, Wednesday, June 8th, 2016
Capilano Branch Library
Potlatch Room
Chair: Grig Cameron
Draft Minutes

1) Call to Order:

Meeting Chairperson, Grig Cameron, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed about 40 attendees. Grig introduced the members of the executive committee and noted that regrets were sent from NVD Councillors Matthew Bond and Jim Hansen and then gave a brief outline of the agenda. Grig explained that EUCCA General Meetings are run under the "New England Town Hall" format where anyone may speak when acknowledged by the Chair, but once a point has been made it should not be repeated. It was noted that although all general meetings are open to anyone to attend – EUCCA is a residents' association and only members may vote on issues.

2) Presentation on Tree Protection Bylaw 7671

District of North Vancouver Community Forrester, Guy Exley, and Environmental Control Technician, Chelsea Nerpio, gave a presentation on the District's Tree Protection Bylaw. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Bylaw 7671 Adopted by Council July 23, 2012 after a 5 year process
- Details on what is protected:
 - trees on sloping terrain, stream corridors and wetland/waterfront
 - trees on District property including boulevards
 - listed tree species
 - wildlife trees
 - heritage trees
 - legal covenants
 - large diameter trees on private property
 - replacement trees

Q & A highlights included:

- Designation of the "top of bank" is a judgement based on a survey
- Overhanging branches and encroaching roots onto adjacent properties can be trimmed but not enough to compromise or damage the tree
- Trees on Blvds are protected but branches can be pruned with a permit
- Before pruning or removing trees on public property the DNV must go through the same permitting process as private interests; however, it was admitted that there are exceptions

3) Coffee Break by Delany's and Membership Dues Collection

4) Edgemont Village Business & Professional Association Events & Initiatives

Roberta Perrin and Marlene Tate gave an update on the EVBPA activities. The details included:

- A "Kendema" competition, sponsored by BC Playthings, will be held this Saturday
 - up to 1,000 participants are expected
 - Highland Blvd. will be closed between the library and veterinary clinic
- There will be four Friday evening concerts sponsored by the District; none by the merchants
- The merchants are sponsoring a September 16th movie night
- The merchants will no longer sponsor a "show and shine" car show because it costs too much
- The merchants hope that local residents will continue to shop in the Village during the construction of the Grosvenor site
- The merchants are looking into options for a temporary grocery market
- Marlene's store, Trimms has a temporary location on Woodbine until she moves into the former Chinese food restaurant location
- Marlene has negotiated a 35 foot wide strip of property on the former PetroCan property for a walkway/seating area adjacent to her store

5) Update on Edgemont Senior's Living Project

Alison Keller gave an update on the progress of the construction and timelines for opening. Details of her talk included:

- The ESL sales office is located on Highland Blvd and drop-ins are welcome
- Construction is on-schedule
 - exterior siding and stonework is beginning now
 - construction crews will use the building's underground parking in October
 - occupancy permit is expected for December
- First residents should be moving-in in mid-January after the holiday season
- 95% of the residents signed up are from the local community
- All suites have been reserved by deposit
- ESL has committed that if residents' needs change during the time they signed-up to when the building is ready, then a transition to a higher level of care will be assured
- Units do not have air-conditioning but all of the building's common areas will have a/c
- South-facing units will be assessed next spring/summer to determine if a/c is needed
- Occupancy beginning in January will be staged to ensure a smooth operation

6) Any Other Business:

Request that EUCCA members be given earlier notification for general meetings

7) Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.