



FONVCA AGENDA **THURSDAY April 15th 2004**

Place: DNV Hall 355 W. Queens Rd V7N 2K6

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Chair: Maureen Bragg – Lynn Valley Community Association. Tel: 604-985-7272
 Email: m.bragg@shaw.ca

1. Order/content of Agenda

**Presentation on Citizen's Assembly
 by Gene Quan & Cliff Garbutt**

http://www.citizensassembly.bc.ca/public/inaction/chair_message/chair_bio_212

2. Adoption of Minutes of March 18th

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/apr2004/minutes-mar2004.pdf>

3. Old Business

3.1 Northlands – Update on court proceedings.

3.2 Community Charter – see the Community Charter Implementation Workshop presentation

http://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/Local_Content/presentations/4618.ppt
 so we can discuss this at our April 15th meeting.

3.3 Community Charter Presentation –

Further action on Elizabeth James' request that consideration be given to have Ms. Nicole Garton give a 3 hr workshop/seminar on the Community Charter – for a fee of ~\$300 + cost of room. Required about 30-35 attendees.

4. Correspondence Issues

4.1 Business arising from regular emails -

attached lists ~55 new letters submitted –

Mar 7/2004 – Apr 11/2004 contained in a complete list of last 28 months but only for those subjects with recent entries.

4.2 Non-Posted letters – Five this period (two cases – one issue)

5. New Business

Council and other District issues.

5.1 Report “Futures Conference” for Parks and Recreation

held March 31 at the Mickey McDougall recCentre Activity Room - an interactive planning session with the top leader in the field, Brian Johnston. The evening included a presentation on 'trends in parks and recreation' and a discussion on 'strategic directions for parks and recreation services.' in the creation of the 2015 Recreation Master Plan and the City and District Parks Master plans. Brian's Ten Trends were:

*aging population *growing gap between haves & have-nots * decline in volunteerism * increased feeling of being rushed * from structured to unstructured activities * increasing diversity * declining trust in institutions * spiritual quest * experiential hedonism * shift to arts & heritage

5.2 DNV Taxes – April 6th letter by Corrie Kost and report on April 7th Council Workshop

Note: The proposed 2004 mill rate is currently set for 3.30842, which is down from 3.58 from year 2003 - however If your **assessment** increased

14% your MUNICIPAL taxes would increase by 5.4%

16% your MUNICIPAL taxes would increase by 7.2%

18% your MUNICIPAL taxes would increase by 9.0%

District continues to argue mill rate determines efficiency – not value for service (Corrie). Note **commercial** mill rates are lowest in West Vancouver (6.4) while DNV is nearly double that at 12.09

5.3 DVP for 137' building depth:

- Unanimously rejected BUT
- Did staff promote this contrary to intent “solution”?

5.4 Council Summer Schedule: Meet 2nd and 4th Mondays during July & August 2004.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 - Legal issues to think about-

- Should councilors be denied access to District Hall services/information unless they agree with their IT Policy Usage? (eg. 4-1345-2)
- Problems in “WindRidge Process” – Corrie
- CPR/Arbutus vs. CMHC/Seymour - Corrie

7. Chairperson & Date of next meeting.

May 20th /2004

Attachments

*List of Email to FONVCA of last 29 months - **BUT ONLY FOR SUBJECTS WITH NEW ENTRIES**

OUTSTANDING FUTURE FONVCA ITEMS

- Council: Cat Regulation Bylaw
- Council: Snow removal for single family homes bylaw
- Council: Securing of vehicle load bylaw
- Council: Review of Zoning Bylaw
- Council: Taxicab regulations bylaw
- Council: District-wide OCP
- Council: Street-ends opening to Waterfront
- GVRD: Fees for public meetings

Correspondence Ordered by Subject

* means since new emails
7 March 2004 →
11 April 2004
Only subjects with new
entries are listed - ordered ~
by volume since 17 Sep/2001

Recreation Commission / Shared Services Agreement

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Mountain biking/Parking issue

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Growth / Smart Growth / Livable Communities / SVCA Plan

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Yard Trimming Collection Program / Recycling /Solid Waste

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District Taxes /BC Assessment Authority / Home Owners Grant

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New Lynn Valley Library / 1996 Referendum

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Dog / Cat Licences/Issues

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2010 Olympics / Sea-Sky Hwy

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Trees

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Waterfront Plan

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Family Court Issues / Equal Parenting Group / Equality

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Recognitions / Awards

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Elected/Accountable GVRD / Per diem-salary increases

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Vision for District

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FONVCA

Minutes of March 18th 2004

Attendees:

Hugh Murray (Chair)	Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Val Moller	Lions Gate N.A.
Brian Platts	Edgemont C.A.
Chris Boulton	Pemberton Heights C.A.
Maureen Bragg	Save Lynn Canyon Park
Cathy Adams	Lions Gate N.A.
David Knee	Norgate Park C.A.
Dan Ellis	Lynn Valley C.A.
Diana Belhouse	Delbrook C.A.
John Miller	Lower Capilano R.A.
Allan Orr	Seymour C.A.
Peter Thompson	Edgemont C.A.
Eric Andersen	Blueridge C.A.

Guest:

Gerry MacKinnon Grand Boulevard R.A.

Meeting started 7:10pm

1. ORDER/CONTENT OF AGENDA

- 6.2 Citizens Assembly Meetings – Allan Orr
- 6.3 Grand Boulevard Association – Gerry MacKinnon

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved/seconded by Cathy/David and carried that minutes of February 19th 2004 be adopted.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 March 3rd Shirtsleeves meeting with Council

Everyone who attended the meeting found value in the discussion although they would have liked more input from council on what they saw for the future of the District. Dan Ellis was commended for his job as chair. Another meeting will be set up for some time in fall 2004.

3.2 Review e-mail postings

There was some continued discussion on inappropriate emails as a result of the follow-up with James Ridge. Everyone is comfortable with how it was decided to handle this at last month's meeting with FONVCA - ensuring that all persons mentioned in communications to FONVCA have been sent a copy of that communication, so that they can request FONVCA to remove anything that they consider is offensive. No request for removal of e-mails have been requested to date.

3.3 Northlands

Cathy and Brian attended the sentencing hearing of March 12th 2004 at 1:30pm. Judge's decision was deferred to a later date.

3.4 Translink

Many expressed concern that TRANLINK is functioning inappropriately by taxing without representation. The Community Charter requires any financial obligation (capital expenditure) beyond 5 years have the approval of the electorate – usually through a referendum. The question was posed what would result if the taxpayers decided to withhold that portion of the tax assessment. It was moved as an action item that FONVCA members attend the March 22nd 2004 council meeting – held especially to have public

input/discussion on TRANSLINK – and pose these concerns to Council.

4 CORRESPONDENCE ISSUES

4.1 Business arising from regular emails –

53 new e-mails to March 7th.

Several concerns and opinions were expressed about the GVRD Water Utility Projects. The next GVRD meeting on these projects are to take place **March 31st 2004 at the Holiday Inn**

4.2 Non-posted e-mails – None this period.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Community Charter – members were to read the Community Charter Implementation Workshop presentation http://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/Local_Content/presentations/4618.ppt so they can discuss this at our April 15th meeting.

5.2 Community Charter Presentation: Elizabeth James requested that consideration be given to have Ms. Nicole Garton give a 3 hr workshop/seminar on the Community Charter – for a fee of ~ \$300 + cost of room. Requires about 30-35 attendees. This meeting would likely take place after FONVCA's next meeting – although no date has been specified.

5.3 Mountain Bikers

Maureen and Dan provided some background info on this issue which has been a concern to Lynn Valley C.A. for many years.

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Public hearing input - District seems to finally have got the message on staff input into Public hearings. However, the District has had to re-convene the public hearings on the Windridge project twice – a second time because an incorrect date was advertised.

6.2 Citizens Assembly Committee Meetings - Allan got an e-mail for a workshop on the issue prior to these meetings, he will bring back info to our April Meeting.

6.3 Grand Boulevard R.A. - Gerry MacKinnon is setting up a Community Association for the Grand Boulevard area and was looking for input from FONVCA members with organizing and experiences with Zoning problems and how the District C.A's. have tried varying methods to deal with them.

7 CHAIR AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING –

Chair will be either Dan or Maureen from the Lynn Valley Community Association. 7:00 p.m. Thursday April 15th 2004 at District Hall

Meeting adjourned 9.41 p.m.

Subject: [Fwd: You get to write the rules]

Date: Sun, 28 Mar 2004 21:04:20 -0800

From: Brian Platts <bplatts@shaw.ca>

To: Corrie Kost <kost@triumf.ca>

Subject: You get to write the rules

Date: Wed, 17 Mar 2004 13:39:42 -0800

From: Nick Loenen <nloenen@allstream.net>

To: fonvca@fonvca.org

CC: bplatts@shaw.ca, allandorr@shaw.ca, patroberta@telus.net, CarolanneReynolds@faximum.com

If you could make rules for politicians,
what would they be?

The Citizens Assembly on Electoral Reform is
drafting the rules by which politicians get
to rule us. They want to hear from you.

During May and June at forty-nine Public
Hearings held throughout the province the
citizens, voters, and taxpayers get to draft
rules for politicians.

This is unheard of. Never in our history
have the people been asked to make rules for
our rulers.

After hearing from the people the Citizens
Assembly will decide whether to recommend a
change to a different voting system, and if
so, that recommendation will go before all
the people in a referendum on May 17, 2005.
>From beginning to end this process gives
power to the people. Your input really
matters.

Now it is your turn. Perhaps you gave up
voting years ago, you feel voting doesn't
change anything, or it's no good voting for
your party in your riding because your party
doesn't have a chance, or because your party
will win anyway. Maybe you support the
party but not the local candidate. If such
frustration is your experience you must
speak up now and attend a public hearing
near you. All British Columbians are
invited to make a presentation in writing,
or orally, or both.

In preparing your personal presentation
consider the following:

- Under the current voting system parties
win a majority of the seats often on less
than fifty percent of the vote. Do you find
that acceptable?
- Under the current system, voters often
support a candidate or party that is not
their first choice for fear of wasting their
vote. If that could be changed should it be
changed?
- Making the voting system more proportional
will likely lead to coalition government.
Do you approve of that?
- Voting systems can result in more or less

control by political parties over candidates and MLAs. Do you feel party discipline should be more or less than what it is now?

- The power of MLAs to hold cabinet accountable should be increased or not?
- Currently many seats are "safe" seats. Should that be changed?
- At nomination meetings parties select their candidates. This selection process is often criticized. What changes would you recommend?

Not all of us are expert about voting systems, well, you don't need to be. All of us can and should contribute to setting the goals we expect from our voting system. That is what the public hearings are for.

For a complete listing of public hearings, and to register to make your presentation call toll free 1-866-667-1232, or visit www.citizensassembly.bc.ca.

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Subject: Consumption Studies - Tax Inequity in North Vancouver

Date: Mon, 05 Apr 2004 13:45:35 -0700

From: North Shore Waterfront Industrial Association <dtardiff@shaw.ca>

To: kost@triumf.ca

NEWS RELEASE

Consumption Studies Find Tax Inequity in North Vancouver

The North Shore Waterfront Industrial Association, representing major industry located in North Vancouver, today released two separate studies on "Consumption of Tax Supported Municipal Services" for the City of North Vancouver and the District of North Vancouver.

The studies compare property taxes paid by the different property classes in each municipality relative to the consumption of tax-supported services by each of the property taxes. The studies were completed by MMK Consulting Inc, the same principals that prepared the landmark KPMG/City of Vancouver consumption report in 1995. (Study of Consumption of Tax Supported City Services –

City of Vancouver, March 1995). Copies of both studies are available in PDF on the NSWIA website at www.nswia.com

The MMK Consulting studies determined that:

· Industrial taxpayers in the District of North Vancouver are paying \$2.45 in property taxes for each dollar of net services consumed – while residents in the District pay only \$0.86 for each dollar of net services consumed. In 2003, industrial taxpayers in the District subsidized residential taxpayers by \$5.394 million.

· In the City of North Vancouver, industrial taxpayers pay \$2.45 in property taxes for each dollar of services consumed while the residents pay only \$0.58. In 2003, industrial taxpayers in the City subsidized residential taxpayers to \$3.646 million.

NSWIA commissioned the study to determine if there was an equitable balance in the property taxes paid by industrial property owners in relationship to their consumption of services. Before 1984, municipal tax levels for industry in North Vancouver were aligned with business rates. Over the last twenty years, there has been a dramatic increase in municipal taxation of industry such that it is difficult for industry to compete or reinvest. A significant portion of Canada's exports move through North Vancouver, therefore, it is important for local, provincial and federal interests to keep port industries competitive.

NSWIA Chair, Malcolm McLaren, stated, "For the past two years, NSWIA has been encouraging each municipality to undertake a consumption study. Study results are shocking; the magnitude of the difference between taxpayers is much greater than anticipated. We remain committed to working with the two North Vancouver municipalities, to our employees and customers, and to our role in the community."

"Industrial waterfront activity contributes greatly to the sustainability of this community. As world trade in products and commodities increases, business for North Shore waterfront industries can also expand if the environment is competitive. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss the implications of this study with both the City and District of North Vancouver," said McLaren.

NSWIA is an association of companies representing major industrial waterfront infrastructures located on the North Shore of Vancouver Harbour. Members include grain terminals, pulp and paper/lumber facilities, mineral export terminals, chemical producers, wood chip transfer facility and marine services such as shipyards, tug and barge operators. NSWIA's objective is to improve both the economic viability and community understanding of the importance of waterfront industries on the North Shore.

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Your Worship & Members of Council,

A recent (April 5/2004) report examined the "Consumption of Tax-Supported Municipal Services in the District of North Vancouver for the 2003 Tax Year".

As this lengthy (82pages) report was only just released I cannot make any in-depth comments other than to suggest that it be interpreted with great care. For example, on page 19, it is assumed that (the impact) of trucks and automobiles be treated equally. Although road wear is said to constitute a small portion of the "cost pool" it should be fully attributed to trucks as they constitute even more than just an "order of magnitude" more wear on roads. The assumption of equal impact is unacceptable.

However, this note is to update the data I sent council in Nov/2003 on the industrial tax rates compared to residential tax rates.

The basis of my information comes from the 1991,2002,2003 provincial database schedules.

For the year 1991:

District collected a total of \$31.2m in municipal taxes, \$22.5m from residential (assessed at \$5.086billion, mill rate 4.417) while for major industrial the district collected \$3.11m (assessed at \$118m, mill rate 26.35).

For the year 2002:

District collected a total of \$49.0m in municipal taxes, \$34.7m from residential (assessed at \$9.16billion, mill rate 3.39) while for major industrial the district collected \$4.38m (assessed at \$100m, mill rate 43.8).

For the year 2003:

District collected a total of \$51.5m in municipal taxes, \$36.5m from residential (assessed at \$10.2billion, mill rate 3.58) while for major industrial the district collected \$4.48m (assessed at \$111m, mill rate 40.4)

The % share of each is as follows:

	residential	major industrial
1991	72.1 %	9.97 %
2002	70.8 %	8.94 %
2003	70.9 %	8.70 %

The bottom line is that Major Industries are now paying a smaller share of municipal taxes than ever.

I trust you will consider this aspect when you deliberate the
Property Tax Distribution Options at your
Workshop on April 7/2004.

Yours truly,

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