



THURSDAY January 17th 2008

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

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Chair: Dan Ellis – Lynn Valley C. A.

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Attendees:

Corrie Kost	Edgemont CA
Lyle Craver	Mt Fromme RA
Hugh Murray	Lower Capilano CRA
John Miller	Lower Capilano CRA
Val Moller	Lions Gate NA
Dan Ellis	Lynn Valley CA
Eric Andersen	Blueridge CA
Diana Belhouse	Delbrook CA

Regrets: Cathy Adams, Brian Platts

Meeting Convened 7:00 pm

Notetaker: John Miller

1. Order/content of Agenda

Add: 6.2 Ernie Crist health deteriorates
 6.3 Transit ridership share stagnant
 6.4 Upcoming Public Hearing
 6.5 Closed meeting of Translink Board

2. Adoption of Minutes of Nov 15th 2007

Minutes were adopted without any amendments.
<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/nov2007/minutes-nov2007.pdf>

3. Old Business

3.1 David Stuart has been invited to the next FONVCA meeting on February 21st at 7:00 pm (invitation letter attached to the agenda)

4. Correspondence Issues

4.1 Regular letters/emails (7) received.
 Items reviewed without comment

4.2 Non_Posted letters – 0 this period

**5. New Business
 Council and other District Issues**

5.1 Garbage Rules – issues were summarized on the agenda attachment (report titled “The Garbage of Recycling” by Corrie Kost) and references. There was much discussion on ambiguous items in recent district pamphlet “2008 Garbage & Recycling Guide”. The whole issue was considered to be a complicated task.

5.2 GVRD June 28th/2007 report on Housing

Suggestion was made to read the GVRD’s sustainability report that was attached. There was a question raised as to how many more cars are on the North Shore versus the small population growth in the last five years. Corrie to supply stats for next month’s FONVCA meeting. **(ACTION ITEM)**

5.3 Public Hearing Procedures

(a) Attached is bedtime reading for those not already aware of the procedures. From http://www.cacities.org/resource_files/24366.PublicHearings.pdf

(b) Cathy Adams will be making a presentation to FONVCA next month regarding the public hearing she attended and which will be reconvened on January 29th.

(c) Question raised as to the RCMP costs per incident in the District. Suggestion was that District residents are paying more than their fair share of policing costs compared to what is paid by the North Van City.

5.4 Council Workshop 10 Dec 2007

Asset Management: Primary difference is in reporting depreciating assets. New requirement will now need to set aside funds to replace any depreciating assets. It was suggested that this issue may be a good question for David Stuart at next months meeting with FONVCA.

False Alarm Bylaw: Corrie believes a \$2/year/resident seems a fair subsidy – given the reduced crime rate alarms promote.

Latest stats for 2005/6/7: 4565/4272/3449 – down 20% in last year alone (12/day in 2006 to 10/day in 2007). This brings false alarm rate down to approx. that in Vancouver, which has a permit system. Council opposed Ridge-Meadows Model where 1st alarm \$150, 2nd alarm \$300, 3rd alarm \$600, 4th alarm \$1,200, 5th & subsequent \$2,400.

A recommendation coming to council is having service provider check with homeowner/backups before fielding call to police/fire dept.

5.5 Waiving of Block Watch Party Fees –

Council approved waiver at the Dec. 17th meeting. Congrats to Eric for pursuing the matter this far.

5.6 Natural Hazards Task Force

Standards and stats from other countries like Hong Kong, England, etc. were considered for risk/tolerance levels. The task force was made up of 8 volunteers. A Code of Ethic question was raised regarding professionals acting in a voluntary capacity. The tolerable risk standards on table are 1:10**4 for existing residential units, and 1:10**5/yr for new residential units.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 Legal Issues – Reference to a New Brunswick Environmental Handbook for use by a layperson.
http://conservationcouncil.ca/publications/ENV_LAW_HANDBOOK_EN.pdf

6.2 It was reported that Ernie Crist, former long time District councilor and politician, was at home battling lung cancer.

6.3 Transit Share: In 1991 – 13%, in 2006 – 13%. Target for 2020 – 17%, the same target percentage which has not been met in past predictions.

6.4 Upcoming Public Hearings:

- Seylynn – January 22nd
- Continue Capilano Suspension Bridge – Jan 29th

6.5 After discussion of the issue of the new Translink Board holding their meeting behind closed doors, the following motion was made and unanimously approved to send to DNV Council:
FONVCA requests that the Council for the District of North Vancouver give strong consideration towards:

- 1) objecting to the newly appointed Translink Board holding their meetings behind closed doors*
- 2) working with other municipalities in support of the above.*

(ACTION ITEM)

7. Chair & Date of next meeting:

Thursday February 21st 2008 – to be chaired by **Lyle Craver** – Mount Fromme Residents Assoc.
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–Meeting Adjourned ~ 9:00 pm