

# FONVCA

## Draft Minutes of Regular Meeting November 18, 2015

**Place:** District Hall 355 W. Queens Rd. North Vancouver

**Time:** 7:00 – 9:00pm

**Chair:** Margaret Fraser

### Attendees:

Diana BELLHOUSE	Delbrook C.A. / Save Our Shores
Val MOLLER	Association of Woodcroft Councils
Jillian COOKE	Northshore Waterfront Liaison / EUCCA member
Ruth HANSON	Blueridge Community Association
Margaret FRASER(Chair pro-tem)	Lynn Valley Community Association
Eric ANDERSON	Blueridge Community Association
Cathy ADAMS	Lower Capilano Resident
Corrie KOST	Edgemont and Upper Capilano C.A.
Arlene KING	Norgate Community Association
Jane CHERSAK (minutes)	Evergreen Park Community Association

### 1. Order/content of Agenda

a) Chair Pro-Tem suggested item 6 be dealt with first

### 6. New Business: Presentation by Jillian COOKE/ Glen WEBB

#### North Shore Waterfront Liaison

Power point demonstration by Glen WEBB – see

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jan2016/FONVCA-Nov18-NSWLC.pdf>

#### Summary:

- How to engage more closely with Community Associations
- Started 2009 and hoping to increase dialogue with communities
- Purpose: Engage with Community
- Partnered with District of West Vancouver, District and City of North Vancouver
- Save our Shores indicated concerns with respect to encroachment and in the past have approached the Port Authority however they did not appear interested.
- WEBB advised they want to be transparent and encourage 2 way conversations and continue with the 2 Districts and the City. They monitor:
  - Rail / Marine / Access / Development
- Discussion that a citizen from Norgate tried to get a park by Seaspan however Seaspan is planning to use land to build an office.
- The North Shore Waterfront Liaison re-emphasized they wish feedback from communities.
- They have access to waterfront partners and enjoy cooperation with these partners.

## **2. Adoption of Minutes of Oct 21<sup>st</sup>**

Moved/Seconded Diana/Arlene - carried

## **4. Old Business**

### **(a) Item carried over from October FONVCA meeting:**

Concerns regarding *Public Hearing Input Limiting by Chair*.

It was remarked that a public hearing can be conducted by council, not only on matters of rezoning, but also on ANY matter Council thinks necessary. However, Council “must hear all the information” relating to the matter of a public hearing. It was also noted that a public hearing is not required if the proposed rezoning is consistent with the OCP – nevertheless councils are generally advised to hold a public hearing. The policy of DNV council is that all rezoning will be subject to a public hearing.

Public input can be limited – say by a 5 minute rule. However additional time can be requested after everyone has had their opportunity to speak – and thus one can speak, 2, 3, or more times, so long as it pertains to the subject matter and does not repeat information previously provided **by that speaker**.

See agenda for more details/references.

### **(b) OCPIC Update**

Working Group only given half an hour to present to Council (at a workshop) - over a year's worth of work - which was considered insufficient time to express their considered views. A couple of Councilors also expressed concerns this was not sufficient time to hear ideas. A full workshop is required, and is likely to take place before Dec, 31, 2015.

It is the mandate of the OCP/OCPIC to track progress. The OCP expressly states that there must be a refresh of OCP every five years – thus this will be required in 2016.

### **(c) Update on Nov 7<sup>th</sup> Community Workshop**

Conducted to discuss Community Associations and what that means with respect to their Policies and Procedures. A new name was selected, **District of North Vancouver Community Associations Network -DNVCAN**. This is a work in progress. A second workshop is to be conducted on Saturday November 21<sup>st</sup> 11am-3pm at 1055 Premier St. Workshop will discuss the “New Look” of the Umbrella Association “DNVCAN”.

Guidelines regarding the criteria for “Federations” and the formation of a Federation discussed so that it can meet the criteria set out by the District.

## **3. Round Table on “Current Affairs”**

**Delbrook CA:** Delbrook Digest has their publication going out with a mail drop funded by a realtor.

**Woodcroft:** AGM. Competitions for balcony Christmas decorations & Christmas festivities Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Evergreen Park Community Association:** formed as the Public Land near Braemar School is at risk of being sold and developed. Citizens have formed an organization to stand as good stewards of the land and promote “Keep Public Land for the Public”.

**Lynn Valley Community Association:** is working on their Christmas Tree event. They were also approached by the Arts Council to pursue a project (Federal Application) to celebrate Canada’s 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2017.

**Lionsgate:** advised that there is talk about a stacked Riverfront Townhome projects on the Capilano Road near Woodcroft.

**Blueridge:** was hoping for support for their Toy drive from Ron Andrews Recreation Centre however there were substantial costs associated to that. This was disappointing as there is supposed to be a supportive relationship. Blueridge has their Meet and Greet to welcome new neighbours. When houses are sold, someone visits new residents, extending a personal invitation to meet their neighbours.

**Edgemont:** reported on a proposed re-development on Highland Blvd of a single lot instead of on the 9 multiple lots spanning Ridgewood/Highland that surround the construction of the ESL project. This single lot re-development is expected to go to a Public Hearing.

Edgemont reports a good rapport with staff who can be very helpful to Community Associations.

## **5. Correspondence Issues**

All (9) submitted emails are to be posted.

## **7. Any Other Business**

**7(a) NV Federal voter turnout** – Candidates went door-to-door, and if not home, they returned later. See agenda for more details

### **7(b) Presentation Request by Monica Craver**

Discussion regarding allowing an individual to attend to discuss concerns regarding mountain biking and the sustainability of trails. They can present for 15 minutes with 15 minutes for Questions and Answers.

Misc: West Vancouver posts all e mails forwarded to them on their website. Although requested to do so in the past, the North Vancouver District does not yet do this.

## **8. For Your Information Items**

### **(a) Mostly NON-LEGAL Issues**

#### **(i) News-clips for the month of November 2015**

Relevant (mostly to local government) articles which (mostly) appear in the North Shore News and the Sun are posted on the FONVCA web-site with a summary provided in the agenda package.

#### **(ii) Pricing Traffic Congestion**

Just mentioned that this is being discussed for the Lower Mainland.

Article “ We Can’t Get There From Here “ provided Lynn Valley has traffic issues

The buses are becoming crowded and the Seabus is becoming too expensive (exempt from single-zone fare).

How are people expected to get around?

### **(b) Mostly Legal Issues**

#### **(ii) Review of Local Government Riparian Regulations**

Whose land / responsibility is it? Answer: Provincial.

30 metres setback (riparian assessment area) for development.

**Request to be put forward for District Reimbursement under the Submission Healthy Neighbourhood Fund for photo copies and rental. Agreement - Unanimous. Action item.**

#### **Next Meeting:**

Date: January 20, 2016

Chair Cathy ADAMS