



**FONVCA AGENDA**  
**THURSDAY July 20<sup>th</sup> 2006**

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

**Time:** 7:00-9:00pm

**Chair:** David Knee – Norgate Park Comm.

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**1. Order/content of Agenda**

**2. Adoption of Minutes of June 15<sup>th</sup>**

**3. Old Business**

**3.1 BC Rail Lands – Cosco proposal???**

**4. Correspondence Issues**

**4.1 Business arising from 5 regular emails:**

**4.2 Non-Posted letters**

0 this period.

**4.3 FONVCA Correspondence**

**- Vancouver Coastal Health Authority**

**Magazine – costs – Brian to report on response letter:**

[http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jul2006/Clay\\_Adams\\_21jun2006.pdf](http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jul2006/Clay_Adams_21jun2006.pdf)

**5. New Business**

**Council and other District issues.**

**5.1 Presentation on Financial Plan**

**Workbook:** by Mr. Danyluk accompanied by the Manager of Finance - both of DNV.

<http://www.dnv.org/upload/documents/finance/2006%20Financial%20Draft%20Workbook/2006%20Financial%20Plan%20Workbook.pdf>

Q/A of the only public meeting can be found at

<http://www.dnv.org/upload/documents/March%202006%20Public%20Input%20Questions%20and%20Answers.pdf>

**5.2 Latest FONVCA Membership List**

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jul2006/members.pdf>

**5.3 Tolls – summer madness or reality?**

Comments by Corrie Kost

**6. Any Other Business**

**6.1 Legal Issues: Reminder- Latest**

**Handbook for Councillors can be found at**

<http://www.sms.bc.ca/handbooks/mchandbook/MCHandbook2005.pdf>

**7. Chair & Date of next meeting.**

**August 17<sup>th</sup> 2006**

**Attachments**

**ONLY NEW ENTRIES**

**OUTSTANDING COUNCIL ITEMS**

-Cat Regulation Bylaw

-Review of Zoning Bylaw

-Securing of vehicle load bylaw

-District-wide OCP

-Snow removal for single family homes bylaw

**Correspondence/Subject Ordered by Date**  
**12 June 2006 → 16 July 2006**

LINK	SUBJECT
<a href="http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Wendy_Qureshi_30jun2006.pdf">http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Wendy_Qureshi_30jun2006.pdf</a>	Lynn Valley
<a href="http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Wendy_Qureshi_30jun2006f.pdf">http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Wendy_Qureshi_30jun2006f.pdf</a>	Blog discussion (pointer only)
<a href="http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Monica_Craver_4jul2006.pdf">http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Monica_Craver_4jul2006.pdf</a>	Crossing light on 27 <sup>th</sup> St. in Lynn Valley
<a href="http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/John_Fair_6jul2006.pdf">http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/John_Fair_6jul2006.pdf</a>	Shared Spece Concept
<a href="http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Wendy_Qureshi_4jul2006.pdf">http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2006/12jun-to/Wendy_Qureshi_4jul2006.pdf</a>	Crossing light on 27 <sup>th</sup> St. in Lynn Valley

For details/history see

<http://www.fonvca.org/letters/index-letters-total-jul2006.html>

# FONVCA

## Minutes of June 15<sup>th</sup> 2006

### Attendees:

Val Moller (Chair Pro-Tem) Lions Gate N.A.  
Brian Platts Edgemont C.A.  
Eric Andersen Blueridge C.A.  
Maureen Bragg Save Our Shores  
David Knee Norgate Park C.A.  
Lyle Craver Upper Lynn Valley R.A.  
Lisa Thon Upper Lynn Valley R.A.  
Hugh Murray Lower Cap. C.R.A.  
Corrie Kost Edgemont C.A.  
Dan Ellis Lynn Valley C.A.  
Cathy Adams(late) Lions Gate N.A. (9pm)

Meeting started: 7:10pm

## 1. ORDER/CONTENT OF AGENDA

Add: 6.2 Capilano Curves – Hugh  
6.3 Coquitlam Garbage Bylaw - Corrie  
6.4 Notice of Alternate Approval Process Corrie  
6.5 Brita commercial - Corrie

## 2. ADOPTION of May 18<sup>th</sup> MINUTES

Moved by Brian, seconded by Dan - Approved as circulated.

### Item 5.1 – Rec. Commission Presentation

Item was moved to forward on agenda. Powerpoint presentation (copy requested and subsequently sent and posted as <http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jul2006/NVRC.pdf> )

This is an evaluation of the current facilities and services made by the Rec Commission and a consulting company. The presentation was followed by a Q/A period. Sample of Q/A follows:

Corrie - quoting from the Districts Annual Report – noted that only 1/3 of the residents use the recreational facilities - this should be kept in mind when evaluating surveys. Answer - there was some consideration given but will make sure it is considered in the future.

Dan - what is the present value of the existing facilities? What is the replacement value? Answer - present value 75 million - replacement cost 90 million.

Due to the present rising costs of building (2010 Olympics) have they considered holding off on construction until after this period, maintaining current facilities? Answer - This has been and is still being considered.

Hugh - What surveys have been done with current users? Are needs being met? He noted the Aquacise class he had attended has been cancelled. Answer - programs are continued to be offered if the participation level is there.

Brian - Why are the replacement funds not there to replace the current facilities. Answer - This would be a political decision not Recreation Commission.

Eric - Has any consideration been made to splitting the District and City facilities. Answer - Yes but the Recreation Commission numbers don't show any benefit.

NVRC members were thanked and meeting continued regular business at 8:15pm

## 3. OLD BUSINESS

### 3.1 BC Rail Lands

Corrie - reported he had some concerns over the public hearing process - as the Mayor asked 3 times for any further public input and closed discussion before the public's questions were answered. Questions put by public should be replied to before closure of input by public. The accessory use was reduced. There was a concern of a loop-hole – that the uses list is not exhaustive so Transit use could be re-instated.

Dave - The clerk's office confirmed that if CD 55 was rejected then CD 54 would be in effect and there were still some concerns with the legality of this bylaw.

## 4. CORRESPONDENCE ISSUES

### 4.1 Business arising from 3 regular emails

- 1 on bears
- 1 on bicycles
- 1 confidential – which was removed -relating to the restoration of the original rights to Capilano Suspension Bridge properties.

### 4.2 Non-posted letters: 0 this period.

No discussion.

### 4.3 FONVCA Correspondence

Letter sent to Vancouver Coastal Health Authority with reference to costs associated with their magazine. Brian to report on this at next FONVCA meeting.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### 5.2 Parking and Loading Requirements

There is to be a public hearing on this long standing item on Tuesday June 20<sup>th</sup>. FONVCA has already had a presentation on this from district staff.

### 5.3 Residential Tax Increase

Corrie reported on the inconsistencies of the numbers provided by the District with those reported by the SUN article <http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jun2006/taxes-sun.pdf> and Newsletter distributed with taxes (<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jun2006/taxes.pdf> ).

### 5.4 Risks

Corrie recommended reading article from Ottawa Citizen - <http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jun2006/risks.pdf> Which recommended consumers exercise their own common sense with appropriate educational and informational materials being provided by regulators.

### 5.5 Latest FONVCA Membership List

The latest membership list <http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/jun2006/members.pdf> was distributed – correction of errors/omissions welcomed.

## 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### 6.1 Legal Issues

**Council Meetings held outside of municipal boundaries:** Due to a specific case of a meeting being held outside of municipal boundaries resulting in a bylaw being struck-down the province amended the legislation to allow such meetings – but with far more permissiveness that required to address the issue and thus, according to Corrie, such meetings are open to abuse.

### Municipal Sign (Regulation) Bylaw upheld:

Commercial “expressions” were deemed by the courts to be lo on the freedom of expression scale and thus a

demonstrably justified restriction under Section 1 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

**6.2 Cap Curves** - Hugh reported on fax from Ralph Sultan re: Provincial Government report that has been completed but not yet released.

**6.3 Coquitlam Garbage bylaw** is being considered - restricting times that garbage may be put out 5 - 7 am.. Fine \$500 - \$10,000.

**6.4 Notice of Alternate Approval process** - Corrie - Notice on page 39 of June 9<sup>th</sup>/2006 issue of NSN – requiring 140,370 signatures on a petition to force a referendum on the GVRD borrowing \$40million for the “purpose of Lending to the Greater Vancouver Housing Corporation”. The likelihood of ever forcing a referendum on any GVRD wide issue is close to zero.

**6.5 Brita** – Corrie reviewed the available material on the objectionable Brita adds relating toilet water to our drinking water – implying our tap water is not fit to drink.

**6.6 Budget Workbook Explained:** Dave asked if anyone was interested in having Nicole Deveaux explain the language and numbers in the Budget Workbook? He will contact the office.

Starts at 9:30AM at Cates Park – finishing at Panorama Park. 435 attended last year. Improvements in return shuttle arrangements are being pursued.

## 7. CHAIR AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting on the usual 3rd Thursday of month:  
**July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006.**

Pro-tem Chair will be John Miller – Lower Capilano Residents Association – Tel: 604-985-8594

Meeting adjourned ~ 9:35pm

**Subject:** [Fwd: Re: Questions re: Current]  
**From:** Brian Platts <bplatts@shaw.ca>  
**Date:** Sat, 15 Jul 2006 21:25:41 -0700  
**To:** Corrie@kost.ca

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**Subject:** Re: Questions re: Current  
**From:** "Adams, Clay [CORP]" <Clay.Adams@vch.ca>  
**Date:** Wed, 21 Jun 2006 08:44:29 -0700  
**To:** bplatts@shaw.ca

Hi Brian,

Thanks for your email regarding our publication Current. Before I answer your specific questions, I wanted to provide you with a bit of background on our newsletter. When Vancouver Coastal Health was created through the merger of four health regions in December 2001, we inherited four separate newsletters. Two of them were print publications and two were available only online. The latter were not well read because of limited staff access to computers.

In 2002, VCH's internal communications team, in conjunction with Employee Engagement, hosted a number of focus groups and circulated surveys across the health authority to find out what staff wanted to see in a newsletter. There was overwhelming support for just one newsletter, provided region stories could still be included. The feedback also indicated that every employee had the right to receive the publication in some form or another and that a hybrid solution of print and online availability would best meet the needs of employees in a variety of work environments across the health authority.

Here are the answers to your specific questions.

1) What are the costs of producing the magazine and what are its circulation numbers? The annual cost of the newsletter is approximately \$69,000 -- or less than \$4 per employee per year. This breaks down as follows:

\* Design: VCH Communications maintains an in-house designer who also works on other projects, which means there are no direct design costs for Current.

\* Printing: Current is produced 11 times per year and each print run consists of close to 7,000 copies, at a cost of less than \$4,000 per issue or approximately .57 cents per copy.

\* Mailing: The cost for the mailing house (including postage) is approximately \$2,300. This cost, plus printing, brings the cost per copy up to roughly .90 cents each. About 5,000 copies are distributed internally across VCH (we have over 25,000 staff). Through the focus groups and surveys previously mentioned, staff indicated that printing a specific number of copies and having them available in common areas such as cafeterias and on the wards was a good solution and less costly than printing a copy for every staff member. Another 2,000 copies are distributed externally to community centres, libraries, MLAs, interested individuals, etc. The newsletter is also posted to the VCH Internet and intranet sites with an email notification for staff with access to a computer.

2) Is there a definitive purpose and strategy that is being achieved with any measurable result?

Current has some clearly defined goals that were put in place prior to its launch

\* Meet the communication needs identified in the focus groups and surveys (staff said they wanted to know who the decision makers were and what the plans were for the organization moving forward).

\* Produce a high-quality publication that provides staff with information from a credible source that helps create a sense of community.

\* Increase awareness about the vision and values, and the strategic plan of VCH. Annual readership surveys of the newsletter have been very positive and continue to show increased satisfaction. For example: 63% (up from 52% the previous year) of survey respondents agree or strongly agree with the survey statement "Current is useful to me as a source of information" and 73% (up from 65% the previous year) agree or strongly agree with the statement "Current helps me learn more about the people in the community of VCH".

While Current was originally intended as only an internal publication, it has grown in popularity as an external information tool with audiences such as MLAs, community advisory

groups, community centres, libraries, and interested individuals (including seniors who have stated a preference for print rather than online information). Anecdotally, VCH's regional communication and community engagement leaders have reported numerous incidents where employees have reported learning of new programs and services for the first time through Current and that this information has had a direct impact on their ability to deliver patient care.

3) Has there ever been any consideration of cost effective alternatives such as web posting with e-mail notification?

We do currently make use of online distribution methods to supplement our distribution of printed copies. As previously mentioned, the newsletter is posted to the VCH Internet and intranet sites with an email notification for staff with access to a computer. However, given the diverse needs of our audience, including staff with limited access to a computer and seniors with a preference for printed materials, there is a clear need for a mix of print and online availability at this time.

Thank you for your interest. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

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Presidents are **Bolded.** (\*) - **Officially Registered** with  
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# **North Vancouver Recreation Commission Needs Assessment/Facility Plan**

Presentation to  
FONVCA

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# North Vancouver is Unique



- Highly active community
- Strong sense of community
- Residents value recreation—including services and facilities
- Expect high quality services and facilities
- Politicians value and support the importance of recreation

# The Challenges



- Rising expectations and increased demand
- Ageing infrastructure
- Rising construction costs
- Increased pressure on public financial resources
- Tough decisions need to be made

# The Opportunity



- Community values around recreation will only become more important
  - Ageing population
  - Focus on health and wellness
  - Importance of family and sense of community
- Imperative to clearly understand what is needed and to appropriately plan for those needs

# Purpose of the plan



- Assess current recreation facilities and services
- Identify current and future community needs
- Develop a facility plan for addressing community needs
- Make recommendations to the City and District

# What the plan will achieve



- Help shape the recCommission's capital plans
- Inform decision making on the preservation, development, demolition, and/or revitalizing of recreation infrastructure
- Provide a realistic and achievable implementation plan for public recreation facilities over the next 10 years
- Determine service priorities and delivery methods for meeting the future needs of our community.

# How will the plan be developed



## Deliverables:

- Extensive analysis of demand
- Policy and Decision making model

## Activities:

- Public Survey
- Focus groups
- Demographic and trend analysis
- Review of other studies
- Framework for moving from demand to the most important community needs

# How will the plan be developed



- Comprehensive needs assessment
- Facility options for meeting needs
- Identification of the priority recreational needs best met by the public sector
- Capacity of existing facilities
- Retrofits, demolition, expansions etc.
- Review of best practices

# How the plan will be developed



- Technical decision making framework
- Options considered through the rigour of criteria such as:
  - Financial considerations
  - Land availability
  - Economies of scale
  - Functional life span etc.
  - How to proceed with facility development over the next five to ten years
- An implementation plan



# Progress to Date



- Secondary data analysis in progress
- Public survey underway
- Focus groups completed
- Values based decision making framework almost complete

# Timeline



- Needs Assessment completed by July 30<sup>th</sup>
- Draft Facility Plan by September 30<sup>th</sup>
- Final Facility Plan by October 30<sup>th</sup>