

FONVCA

Minutes of February 15th 2007

Place: DNV Hall 355 West Queens Road

Attendees:

Diana Belhouse(Chair Pro-Tem)	Delbrook C.A.
Brian Platts	Edgemont C.A.
Lyle Craver	Mnt. Fromme R.A.
Corrie Kost	Edgemont C.A.
Maureen Bragg	Save Our Shores
John Miller	Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Hugh Murray	Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Cathy Adams	Lions Gate N.A.
David Knee	Norgate C.A.
Del Kristalovich	Seymour C.A.
Bill Maurer	Seymour Valley C.A.
Lisa Thon	Fromme N.A.
Eroc Andersen	Blueridge C.A.
Dan Ellis	Lynn Valley C.A.

Regrets: Maureen Bragg – Save Our Shores
Val Moller – Lions Gate N.A.

Notetaker: Jenny Knee

Meeting started: 7:10pm

1. ORDER/CONTENTS OF AGENDA

Diana suggested moving 5.4 Purchase of 2430 Chapman Way up as there were representatives to speak to the issue. Agreed.

6.2 Warning Notification of interest to residents

2. ADOPTION of Jan 18th MINUTES

Minutes were approved as circulated.

5.4 Purchase of 2430 Chapman Way - Bill

Maurer gave handouts and an overview of the situation. Looking for endorsement from FONVCA for the District to do what they said they would do in their letter of September 17th.

Questions & discussion followed: the consensus was that FONVCA was not comfortable endorsing this issue; our mandate is to principles and not individual cases.

Corrie suggested that a letter could be sent endorsing the principle stated in the letter of September 17th sent by DNV, and Del suggested a resolution could be reached by each association going to their members and writing individually - which was decided would be the best approach to take.

3. Old Business

3.1 2007/2011 Draft Financial Plan - Corrie suggested that the DCC's are not being used appropriately - most should go to Park expenses. He also expressed concern that none of the w/shop material has been posted on the web.

Dan commented that the true cost of disasters are being buried – need for more details of costs and where the money is coming from - Federal, Provincial, Municipal etc.

Corrie commented that it was reported by district staff that maintenance costs had skyrocketed since banning the use of pesticides.

Dave suggested that any questions we have on the financial plan be sent to the finance dept. before the next meeting.

Cathy asked about the date for the next meeting with finance dept. Lyle & Corrie will set it up.

Brian suggested that Corrie talk to Agnes with regard to posting the w/shop material on the website.

3.2. Request for UBCM 2006 summary -

Brian wrote the letter on Jan 28th & Agnes responded in letter of Feb 2nd that no summary would be provided but DNV would provide a link to UBCM website.

3.3 Council/FONVCA Shirtsleeve meeting

-not possible for May 30th - Cathy will work on another date.

Possible Issues: Funding for Rec. commission - what is the contract between the City & District?

Suggested that we review previous years topics not covered and bring issues to table for next FONVCA meetings.

Dan – chronic under funding of Parks
-long range strategy for disasters
-how to deal with forest's maturation
-restructuring funding
-democracy and advisory committees

Corrie - Sustainability
- Natural Steps
- Accessible/affordable housing
- Future of our OCP's

Mayor Walton will report to council at Monday public meeting on his trip to Sweden on Sustainability.

3.4 COSTCO - coming up at Monday meeting - Cathy to ask the clerks office to include the link to the staff report. It is on the web main page - top right hand corner but not in the place of council package.

4. Correspondence Issues

4.1 Business arising from 8 regular emails. Variety of topics – none discussed in detail.

4.2 Non-Posted Letters

The 0 non-posted letters this period.

4.3 Disaster Relief - Brian wrote a letter (Jan 18th) to council suggesting DNV apply for Disaster

Council & Other District Issues

5.1 “Input period” Procedural Change -

Dave requested a limited period to be included at each FONVCA meeting for any association to exchange information on issues that they are dealing with which other associations may have also experienced. **Decision to put it in future FONVCA agendas under Any Other Business as item 6.1**

5.2 Port’s Taxes - Corrie - it will create a shortfall for the DNV which will have to come out of property taxes - how much do their services really cost?

5.3 Provincial Government Impact - Motion **Corrie/Cathy to write a letter to MLA** requesting support in this issue (erosion of municipal tax base) - see 5.2

5.4. See above (following 2.)

5.5 Municipal election signs – council to institute 21day limit (period before municipal election in which election signs could be posted on any public properties). - **Corrie suggested 36 days, as per Local Government Act** – corresponding to the minimum time from close of municipal candidacy filing to election day- was a more viable number. Note that number of days after election to take down signs - 8 days.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 Legal Issues:

Corrie tabled to next meeting the items:

- email etiquette
- Taxes in New Orleans

6.2 Warning Notification of interest to

residents - Lisa - experienced an emergency notification today with regard to an attempted abduction - is there a similar communication through FONVCA? The only method FONVCA has is through e-mail. BLOCKWATCH has phone/email fan-out facility.

Next meeting – March 15th, 2007

Chair: Cathy Adams – Lions Gate N.A. Tel: 604-987-8695 cathyadams@shaw.ca

Adjourned meeting at 9:10 pm