

FONVCA

Minutes Wed. Feb 15th 2012

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

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Attendees

Dan Ellis (Chair)	Lynn Valley C. A.
Sharlene Hertz	Delbrook Comm. Assoc.
Diana Belhouse	Delbrook C. A., Save On Shores C. A.
John Miller (notes)	Lower Capilano Community R. A.
Eric Miura	Lynn Valley C. A.
John Gilmour	Lynn Valley C. A.
Doug Curran	Capilano Gateway Association
Val Moller	Lions Gate N. A.
Eric Andersen	Blueridge Comm. Assoc.
Corrie Kost	Edgemont/Upper Capilano C. A.
Cathy Adams	Lions Gate N. A. (8:20pm)

Regrets: Paul Tubb

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

1. ORDER / CONTENT OF AGENDA

Approved after following additions:

Item 4.3(c) -information on a new association

Item 6.2(b) –Misc Item

2. ADOPTION of Nov 17th 2011 MINUTES

Adopted unanimously, as circulated (with change that Dan Ellis left the meeting at 8:00pm after discussion of item 5(e), which had been moved forward at his request)

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Council Agenda Distribution

It was noted that the publication of the council agenda items in the North Shore News publication "North Vancouver District Dialogue" had "gone away" over the years. As a follow-up to the action item of last month's minutes Corrie had contacted Dave Stuart who said that he would provide something in the next couple of weeks to address the issue of access to council agenda for those who are not web enabled.

4. Correspondence Issues

4.1 Business arising from 6 regular emails:

It was noted that some of the links to correspondence were broken – having the comment section added to the link. Direct access to the email directory on the web site still allowed access. Corrie to correct links.

The question/email from Doug Curran, on membership, was discussed below under item 4.3(a)

4.2 Non-Posted letters – 0 this period

4.3 Roundtable on "Current Affairs"

A period of roughly 30 minutes for association members to exchange information of common concerns.

(a) Membership Criteria of Community Associations

- Doug Curran

http://www.fonvca.org/letters/2012/16jan-to/Doug_Curran_8feb2012.pdf

<http://www.dnv.org/article.asp?c=566>

<http://www.fonvca.org/procedures.pdf>

Last minute addendum material from Doug Curran relating to two evening workshops by CNV to their staff, about "Meetings and Rules of Order" was distributed at the meeting.

Discussion took place on whether community associations should be required to include all type of diverse interests (single family, apartment, commercial, industrial, etc.) in their association. Noted that when speaking to council on behalf of the association, that unless the complete community was polled on a subject, the association representative should not state they represent their whole community. Transparency was to be encouraged. As stated in the distributed "Criteria for Official Recognition of a Community Association" it is essential that any community association allow open membership to all persons residing in a prescribed geographical area. Consensus of the FONVCA members present, was that each association must decide for themselves as to which groups their association would include or exclude (eg residents only). Inclusivity and open engagement is to be encouraged.

(b) Eric Andersen: Carried over from January meeting.

-Cool Neighbourhood.

-Traffic & Safety Meeting

Eric, speaking about 'Cool Neighbourhood' noted that 46 houses had signed up for the thermal imaging pilot project on energy consumption reduction that has not started yet. On a traffic & safety issue Eric noted that traffic on Berkley is an issue.

(c) Norwood Queens Community Association

A new association has been formed - with borders of Mahon (W) to Lonsdale (E); Mt. Royal (N) to 29th (S). The focus of concern is changes in use of Balmoral School.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Council and other District issues.

5.1 Latest 2006-2011 Census Canada Results

- some results (details for all Metro Vancouver municipalities) were presented by Corrie. The North Shore is noted as being a low growth area (averaging about 0.6%/yr --- with DNV average of about 0.4%, CNV about 1.3%, WV about 0.25% per year). Metro Vancouver averaged about 1.8%/year.

5.2 “Seniors Today” DNV Workshop

- report on Feb 8/2012 workshop that took place 1:00-3:00pm at DNV Council Chambers was provided to FONVCA by Corrie Kost

http://www.lionsviewseniorsplanning.com/PDF/survey/SENIORS_TODAY_Final_Report.pdf

In total, some 1200 surveys were received from NS residents over the age of 55 thus yielding a low +/-2.9% margin of error 19 times out of 20. The majority have no plans to move, and most of those that do have plans to move want to live independently. Affordable alternatives was a prime concern.

5.3 2012-2016 Financial Plan and Budget Process

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/feb2012/2012-2016Financial%20Plan-opt.pdf>

<http://www.dnv.org/article.asp?a=5274>

A presentation with Q/A by the DNV Manager of Financial Planning Rick Danyluk for the community association will take place on February 23rd, 7:00 to 9:00pm. All associations are encouraged to send 1-2 representatives.

5.4 Letter & Council response to FONVCA letter on Council Advisory Committees

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/feb2012/committees-letter-and-responses.pdf>

There was only one response received (from Councillor Nixon) agreeing with the FONVCA recommendation that these newly organized Committee meetings should be open to the public (with closure requirements as per regular committees of council). Item tabled awaiting formal response. **ACTION: Response to be requested about 1 week before March 21st FONVCA meeting)**

5.5 Waste to Energy reports

No response to letter send to Dave Stuart

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/feb2012/Dear%20Dave%20Stuart-c.pdf>

The Burnaby Facility:

<http://www.metrovancouver.org/about/publications/Publications/WasteEnergyFactsheet.pdf>

GVRD Plans:

<http://www.metrovancouver.org/services/solidwaste/planning/Pages/default.aspx>

Other References:

<http://www.canadaticket.com/other/Energy%20to%20Waste.pdf>

<http://www.metrovancouver.org/services/solidwaste/planning/ContraryOpinions/McKendryReportandResponse.pdf>

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/mun-waste/reports/pdf/BCMOE-WTE-Emissions-final.pdf>

Further action on this item is deferred to allow staff response by next the FONVCA meeting (March 21th).

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6. Any Other Business

6.1 Legal Issues

a) WV to expropriate 2 waterfront properties for \$7.9million

<http://www.nsnews.com/news/West+Vancouver+expropriates+Ambleside+lots/6083195/story.html>

WV now owns 29 of 32 Ambleside beachfront properties.

b) Court says no shed on NV residential lot

<http://www.nsnews.com/news/Court+says+shed+North+Vancouver+residential/6083200/story.html>

Comments were made on possible “sterilization” of all uses of residential land and that there were some isolated private cabins in the north shore, still occupied, which may constitute an even larger fire threat.

6.2 Any Other Issues (2 min each)

a) News-Clips of the month...

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/feb2012/news-clips/>

b) New Edgemont Banners – shown by Corrie, were funded by DNV. See

<http://www.nsnews.com/entertainment/Edgemont+gets+banners/6095961/story.html>

7. CHAIR AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday March 21st 2012 ← WEDNESDAY !

Chair: Eric Andersen – Blueridge C.A.

Meeting adjourned ~ 9:00 PM.