

FONVCA

DRAFT Minutes of FONVCA meeting Wednesday April 20th 2016

Place: DNV Hall Hall – 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Attendees:

Diana Bellhouse(Chair pro-tem)	Delbrook CA/Save our Shores
Margaret Fraser (notetaker)	Lynn Valley CA
Lesley Brooks	Blueride CA
Corrie Kost	Edgemont and Upper Capilano CA
John Miller	Lower Capilano Community Residents' Assoc.
Babs Perowne	Association of Woodcroft Councils

1. Order/content of Agenda

- a. Chair Pro-Tem Suggests: First up.

Guest Presentation by residents opposed to G3 Terminal project.

<https://www.change.org/p/stop-g3-in-north-vancouver-stop-g3-in-north-vancouver>

This project started over 12 months ago and will cover 65 acres approximately. Based at Lynnterm/Brooksbank, opposite Park and Tilford - is mostly a City of North Vancouver jurisdiction, but affects us all.

Concerns include:

- minimal consultation with residents
- there was an on-line survey - limited input as you had to register
- no option to respond anonymously!
- only 10 north shore residents contacted

- G3 proposing 48 silos of 14 stories each plus other tall structures/overhead systems for loading and off loading.
- Three trains per day, 7 days per week, 24 hours per day!
- 170 marine vessels per year with grain going to the middle east.
- This could mean as many as 700 ships per year around the bridge - including tugs, other support vessels etc.
- residents were told that the “fans would be turned the other way” if the residual “ash” from the grain or the smell was bothering residents.
- on January 9th of this year there was an open house for four hours which was poorly attended
- lots of work already done by G3
- between September 2015 and January 2016 only 70 residents consulted.
- there are now 700 signatures on the petition and 19 pages of comments about this project.

The size of the development is the chief concern :

- it is beside three other large companies (including Neptune)
- the increase in dust, air pollutants (in addition to those from Neptune and others)
- no cumulative air pollutant counts
- noise of the trains
- noise and effects of pile-driving
- it will take at least three years to construct
- this is also during the ongoing highway construction
- expansion of Seylynn developments
- an extra 10,000 residents in the lower Lynn area anticipated (who may not know about the G3 project)
- CNV has asked that the concrete required be barged in - the number of trucks carrying that would be incalculable!
- no evidence that developers are sharing this information with potential buyers
- under the previous government environmental assessments were waived or reduced - the G3 project fell under those regulations
- there are only going to be about 50 employees as these terminals are highly automated
- risk of explosions as there have been on other sites in the USA

FONVCA asked to circulate the information.

Thanks to Holly and Sharee for their presentation.

Regular meeting started at 7.55p.m.

Additions to the agenda: none

2. Adoption of Minutes of Mar 16th

- a. <http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/apr2016/minutes-mar2016.pdf>

Minutes of March 2016 were proposed to be adopted as is.

Moved approval John – CARRIED

Business Arising from minutes:

- a) Carry over of insurance item - Margaret to ask Cathy to follow up re: this item

3. Roundtable on “Current Affairs”

EUCCA:

Corrie: Capilano water supply and village development are the two key concerns at the moment - they have been lengthened by one year due to unforeseen circumstances and technicalities.

Delbrook: Diana: update circulated by e-mail earlier. Issue of invitation to next meeting: 50/50 Delbrook residents and others. Unsatisfactory process to date. This is only a 4.5 acre site - sale of site to pay debt is not necessarily at the root of the matter. Hope that as many community minded people are “invited” or “selected” as possible! Mixed thoughts on whether or not it is a good idea to have developers in attendance at these public meetings. Also, what is affordable housing - good question - when there is so much talk of that being part of the development potential. Greatest need is a park for the area.

Blueridge: AGM is Tuesday May 3rd; hosting Good Neighbour event June 5th; Garry Forward from the school board presented to the CA – <http://blueridgeca.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Future-of-Blueridge-Elementary-Barry-Forward-April-4th-presentation.pdf> the issue of what school might be rebuilt and/or knocked down. Very intense meeting - very pro-school feelings expressed at the meeting. Scholarship for student showing the best volunteering spirit - to be decided and announced soon.

Lower Capilano: John reported that Doug Allen is retiring - was planner for Maplewood. His work has now been divided up. Other DNV planners are also retiring. Loss of history/continuity in certain areas of the District will be felt.

Lynn Valley - Margaret will re-send request that went to staff to Council regarding e-mails and "snail mail" regarding developments, in addition to 75 metre ruling. The Lynn Valley AGM is May 19th.

Woodcroft: LARCO development to be all rentals - timeline shortened from 10 years to 30 months. LARCO will also be installing traffic lights at Curling and Capilano Rd. which will be synchronized with lights at Marine Drive and at Fullerton. Brook Pooni - Glenaire townhouse complex - four different plans - possibly up to four years to complete

Grouse Inn development expected to start - application going forward this year.

MISC: Corrie offered a brief overview of Rick Danyluk's presentation to CA's on March 29th. Using a change in accounting systems, some numbers are interpreted more broadly than before.

4. Old Business:

- a) Corrie reported that the new OCP Implementation Committee has not yet been constituted:
- b) North Vancouver Community Associations Network – structure document in the last stages of work - draft document to be circulated shortly - intended meeting May 28th NOTE: Since the FONVCA meeting the date has been changed to May 7th!!

5. Correspondence:

The 5 E-mails received will be uploaded to our website.

6. New business - report on biking in the Netherlands – tabled for May FONVCA meeting.

7. Any Other Business

Items a-f were carried over from March meeting

Corrie referred to various links and reports included in the agenda package. These include: inclusive housing in Canada; Council policies on public lands (see DNV policy per May 27th 2013 - public assembly lands); an APP for locating fire incidents in DNV; affordable housing strategies of various lower mainland jurisdictions;

(f) DNV website - still shortcomings of accessibility - it is geared for business rather than for community information. Councillor Jim Hansen is supposed to be working on this with the web developer(s). We would like to know what CMS the DNV uses - Wordpress or other??

All articles etc. that are currently on the FONVCA website will be transferred to the NVCAN website in due course.

8. For Your Information Items

There were no non-legal and legal issues submitted this month.

However the News-Clips collected over the last month of April have been posted at

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/apr2016/news-clips/>

along with summary of titles of all articles.

<http://www.fonvca.org/agendas/apr2016/news-clips/summary.doc>

9. Chair & Date of next meeting

Date of next meeting: May 18th 2016.

Chair of next meeting: Woodcroft

Note taker: TBD