

# FONVCA

## Minutes of October 21<sup>st</sup> 2004

### Attendees:

Brian Platts (Chair)	Edgemont C.A.
Diana Belhouse	Delbrook C.A.
John Miller	Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Cathy Adams	Lions Gate N.A.
Vall Moller	Lions Gate N.A.
Hugh Murray	Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Eric Andersen	Blueridge C.A.
Ron Polly	Hamilton / Fell N.A.
Brian Albinsen	Edgemont C.A.
Pam Bookhome	Grand Boulevard R.A.
Joan Peters	Hamilton / Fell N.A.

## 1. ORDER/CONTENT OF AGENDA

6.2 New Street and Traffic Bylaw 7125  
6.3 Lower Capilano Community Centre

## 2. ADOPTION of September 16<sup>th</sup> MINUTES

Moved by Hugh Murray, seconded by John Miller and approved as circulated but with date of next meeting corrected from Sep 16<sup>th</sup> to October 21<sup>st</sup>.

## 3. OLD BUSINESS

### 3.1 Northlands Update:

Nothing new to report

### 3.2 Recycling Tender.

Through FOI Brian finally received contract re: Waste Management despite attempts by the company to censor parts of it. John Hunter should review the contract. Concern was raised during general discussion of recycling pick-up, that WM using a single operator for each truck is a safety concern because the driver has to get out of the truck while the engine is running in order to make a pick-up.

### 3.3 Referendum to un-dedicate dedicated parkland

Brian explained the issue of concern that new Charter permits a Council to undedicated parkland by a simple 'counter petition' process rather than obtain the assent of the electors by way of referendum (as required by old Municipal Act). FONVCA had asked Council to approve policy statement that would require the municipality to hold a referendum to obtain elector approval before dedicated parkland could be undedicated. While the policy cannot be made binding on future Councils, it does make a statement of recognizable intent.

## 4. CORRESPONDENCE ISSUES

### 4.1 Business arising from 27 regular emails –

### 4.2 Non-posted e-mails

Discussed 5 non-posted letters and made the following decisions:

- agreed not to post letter from resident Sam Bramley re: Loach Place. Sam requested his letter not be posted for personal reasons.
- agreed not to post correspondence from Monica Craver who requested, for personal safety reasons, that her letter be posted without her name. FONVCA will remove an address but must have a name attached to every letter.

- agreed not to post second string of correspondence from Monica Craver because she received a satisfactory response from DNV Staff so her letter was not relevant.
- agreed to post a letter from Coun. Crist objected to by Coun. McKeon-Holmes. FONVCA members agreed that the letter was factually correct and there was no basis for its rejection.
- agreed not to post a string of correspondence from Coun. Crist and Monica Craver. Ms. Craver, who initiated the e-mail, had similar personal safety concerns as above.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### 5.1 By-Election – FONVCA Questions/Answers

FONVCA questions & candidate answers are posted on the web site. Cathy reported that the Lions Gate association had also sent out questions to the candidates.

### 5.2 North Van City Community Associations & Issues --

Ron Polly reported on a number of issues of concern for NV City residents including regulations on secondary suites, traffic on Grand Boulevard, and redevelopment being approved in spite of clear community opposition. Pam Bookhome expressed her interest in having NV City community associations as well-organized as those belonging to FONVCA and maybe even forming into a City FONVCA. They are going to invite Corrie to their next meeting.

**5.2(b) DNV Financial Workshops** -- nothing planned that we know about. All community associations received letters re: proposed Capital Budget items planned for each association's area over the next 5 years. Comments were to be submitted prior to October.

### 5.3 Key By-Election / Referendum Dates

All-candidates' meetings will be held on Oct 26th by the Seymour and Blueridge community associations; October 27th by the Lynn Valley Community Association; and November 3rd by the Edgemont Community Association.

### 5.4 Alpine Survey of Trail Use.

General discussion took place on the issue of Mtn. Biking vs. the environment.

### 5.5 UBCM 2004 Resolution Results:

Brian reported that Corrie has pointed out that so far no councillor has reported on what resolutions were passed, especially any that have relevance to the District. Moved by Diana, Seconded by Cathy and Carried Unanimously that FONVCA write to Council requesting reports on the resolutions passed by the UBCM. **ACTION**

## 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### 6.1 "Legal Issues to think about"

**Closed Door Electronic Meetings** -- to hold such a meeting, a Council must first meet at an open meeting to decide on holding an In-Camera meeting. Reasons must be stated justifying why the meeting cannot be open to public. Note also that the procedures for all closed meetings have now been adjusted to adhere to those requirements.

**6.2 New Street & Traffic Bylaw** -- today's Outlook had a story on this issue. All CA's received a June 28th letter about

the new 48 page bylaw to replace the old 48 page bylaw. Unfortunately the implications of the new provisions were not made clear, especially those that delegate powers to the municipal engineer. Brian Albinson from the ECA spoke in detail about his concerns, particularly with respect to the 'jaywalking' provisions and noting the RCMP's alleged misuse of the Motor Vehicle Act to hand out \$109 tickets in Edgemont Village last May. Brian A. noted that it must be made very clear to the public exactly what powers are being delegated to staff, such as being able to issue permits to allow encroachments and outdoor customer service areas on the public boulevard. Brian Platts will send to all FONVCA members the ECA's e-mail to Council outlining the contentious issues contained in the new bylaw. **ACTION**

**6.3 Lower Capilano Community Centre** -- Cathy reported on Larco development plans for the former Capilano Athletic Club site. They proposed to dedicate from 1.0 to 1.5 acres to the District for a community centre site, and a residential development with a density of 212 to 278 units, and up to 18 storeys high. Interesting fact that the Larco's architect has done a design for the District's community centre, with the cost of this service being paid by Larco. Larco has also proposed a community amenity contribution of \$3. per square foot, over and above a base amount built, whereas the Marine Drive Improvement Committee is considering in their Plan an amount of \$20 per square foot, when a developer negotiates higher density with the District on a case by case basis.

## **7. CHAIR AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Next Meeting November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Chairperson, Cathy Adams – Lions Gate Neighbourhood Association.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.**