

Subject: [Fwd: Re: Mailed Invite Requested]

Date: Tue, 09 Nov 2004 15:53:42 -0800

From: Brian Platts <bplatts@shaw.ca>

To: Corrie Kost <kost@triumf.ca>

Attached is Monica's response to Irwin.

Subject: Re: Mailed Invite Requested

Date: Thu, 04 Nov 2004 14:55:57 -0800

From: M E Craver <mecraver@shaw.ca>

To: Irwin Torry <Irwin_Torry@dnv.org>

CC: Susan Rogers <Susan_Rogers@dnv.org>, Barry Potvin <Barry_Potvin@dnv.org>, Charlene Grant <Charlene_Grant@dnv.org>, Richard Boase <Richard_Boase@dnv.org>, Senior Management Committee <managecomm@dnv.org>, Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>, "FONVCA (E-mail)" <fonvca@fonvca.org>, Maureen Bragg <m.bragg@shaw.ca>, Liz James <Cagebc@yahoo.com>

Dear Mr. Torry: I see nothing impolite said in the e-mail I sent. I just stated a fact that 35 citizens out of about 90,000 in DNV cannot be what I consider "strong support". In the many years I have lived in Upper Lynn Valley, I have yet to see a mountain biker fined for the many infractions against the environment as stated in the Bylaw. I just see them being rewarded. In order for any by-law to be effective, it has to be enforced.

I want to keep our community up here livable, and a forest and mountain area that future generations can enjoy, not just for one particular by-law breaking extreme sports group. Please read today's Outlook newspaper. I have tried to work within public process (as a citizen), and **do** take my position on PNEAC seriously. Mr. Tom Bell, PNEAC chair will tell you I have not created problems within the committee. As a private citizen (outside of that committee), I am entitled to fight for my community livability and to protect our forests, mountains, flora, fauna, species at risk however I see fit, within the law. It is my democratic right.

I am just stating a fact that the Alpine public process is not working, as it is clear that the "political clout" of one extreme sports group is overriding many sound decisions. I am sorry if I have offended, but I am very concerned. I am shocked at the lack of public interest from the DNV residents with such a big and irreversible decision for our natural lands in the making. I have tried to communicate with staff, but have recieved conflicting answers to many questions, depending on whom I communicate with. I hope this may change. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Monica Craver

Irwin Torry wrote:

Mrs. Craver: I must take exception to your continued slugging of our environment, parks and planning staff. Contrary to your accusations, District staff in the environmental, parks and planning fields are known throughout the lower mainland as being leaders in their specific fields of specialization. The District of North Vancouver was the first municipality in the lower mainland to adopt an Environmental Protection and Preservation Bylaw. Other municipalities in the region seek guidance from our highly qualified staff in environmental initiatives. We have also been leaders in working cooperatively with staff from DFO and Provincial Environment in providing coordinated analysis and input into both public and private initiatives.

From a Parks and Planning perspective we are known throughout the region as having one of the most inclusive planning and public input processes. All groups, including advisory committees, have numerous opportunities to provide input as we work through the process.

While you as an individual, or as a representative of a specific committee, have every right to disagree with staff recommendations I would request that you do so in a respectful and polite manner.

Should you wish to discuss what you perceive as shortcomings in the process please call me and we can review your concerns.

Sincerely,
J. Irwin Torry

From: M E Craver [<mailto:mecraver@shaw.ca>]

Sent: Thursday, November 04, 2004 11:25 AM

To: Susan Rogers; Barry Potvin; Charlene Grant; Richard Boase

Cc: Senior Management Committee; Mayor and Council - DNV; FONVCA (E-mail); Maureen Bragg; Liz James

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Dear Alpine Recreational Strategic Study Planners:

I am asking that a **mailed invitation** to the next public Open House on November 18, 2004 at Upper Lynn Elementary School regarding traffic, parking and staging be sent to all those registered with an Upper Lynn Residential Only Parking Permit, including those that preceeded us at upper Mountain Hwy area. Please send these invites as soon as possible, as people do have to plan to be able to attend these meetings. If notice is too short, then people may have to decline. The fact a display will be at the Lynn Valley Mall two days later makes me very concerned. This parking and staging issue is one that only the residents affected should have a say, not the whole DNV community. We know what is best for community livability up here, bordering our forest and mountain area, not those who live elsewhere. Thank you.

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PS. I am also very concerned with the fact that decisions are being made by only 35 people, of which about 28 "agreed" to the management zones (out of 74 private citizens of DNV)--Sept. 29 Alpine meeting. If DNV labels this as "strong support"?! for the management zones, then this whole "public process" has to be scrapped, as it is flawed and has been flawed since the beginning. This is a process decided by the interests of one specific sports group who have intimidated, bullied and threatened those in opposition to its illegal presence in our forest and mountains. The lack of real environmental leadership shown by DNV Parks staff is pitiful at best. Please discontinue this flawed alpine process, and find real solutions to preserving our forest and mountains for future generations. Thank you.