

Subject: RE: Interesting fact

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Hello Monica:

The mess in the District is so staggering, the mismanagement so crass, even I don't know where to begin. The only salvation is for the residents to throw out the whole Council and start from square one. This is unlikely to happen since the public is largely ignorant and to the extent they have been made aware they really don't care enough.

But what is even worse is that the democratic process is so contrived that it makes it virtually impossible to make any changes. When elected members of Council cannot ask in public those who seek grants at the time they come before Council, what those grants are for, as was the case during the last budget then it is time to make fundamental changes. The only solution is a NEW Civic Party taking Charge.

Ernie

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

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Dear Ernie: This was found on the northvancouverpolitics blog. I am copying it to you as I do believe the District also suffers the problem of having too many chiefs and not enough indians. I also feel a few managers are "deadwood" within DNV from prior dealings with them. The blog was dealing with the CNV's payout to "The Shore" --the redneck bar. This was Sue Cook's response:

"Perhaps that \$290,000.00 could be used to hire more personnel to clean the streets and parks of Lower Lonsdale. I have been told there are only 3 people in the City who do that job (amazing since the City has 54 managers earning between \$75,000.00 - \$176,000.00)

Maybe we could even hire a few more police officers for that amount of cash."

How many managers does DNV currently have? Perhaps we do not need that many, and it is time for a serious performance review? If not the Councillors, who is actually doing the hiring and the firing? DNV is shortstaffed when it comes to general personnel, it seems. This is especially noted in the parking bylaw section --the staffing fluctuates between two to four officers during the course of the year with answers that there is no money in the budget to hire more.

--Monica Craver--

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