

North Vancouver Community Associations Network (NVCAN)

MINUTES of General Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 20, 2017
Location: DNV Hall, 355 Queens St W
Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

PRESENT:

John Miller (chair)	Lower Capilano
Babs Perowne (secretary)	Woodcroft
Barry Fenton	Blueridge
Corrie Kost	Edgemont & Upper Capilano
Eric Skowronek	Edgemont & Upper Capilano
Diana Belhouse	Delbrook & SOS
Irene Davidson	Norgate Park
Jane Chersak	Norwood/Queens
John Harvey	Lynn Valley
Karen Barnett	Seymour
Paul Tubb	Pemberton Heights
Val Moller	Woodcroft

REGRETS:

Chris Sallis	Strathcona
Eric Godot Andersen	Blueridge
John Hunter	Seymour
Katherine Fagerlund	Deep Cove

ABSENT:

Val Hammerberg	Maplewood
Sharon Porter	Maplewood
Stuart Porter	Maplewood

- 1. Welcome** John M. welcomed members.
- 2. Approve Agenda.** The agenda was accepted.
- 3. Approve Minutes.** The May 17, 2017, minutes were adopted.
- 4. New Business:**
 - a. Advocate expanding the DNV Community Building Grant to \$15,000.** After discussion, it was unanimously agreed that John Miller advocate that DNV increase the Community Building Grant to \$15,000, with the additional funds to be taken from the Council Contingency Fund. John will both email and make a presentation to Council.
 - b. Elect interim board member (to replace Margaret Fraser).** John M. opened the floor for nominations and advised that Eric Andersen had accepted having his name put forward. Diana moved the nominations be closed. Eric Andersen was acclaimed as an interim Board member to serve the remainder of the term, being June 2018.
 - c. Update Terms of Reference regarding election/appointment of interim board members.** Babs advised that the Terms of Reference did not specifically cover election or appointment of interim board members. NVCAN has now replaced two board members in their first term by an election at a general meeting. After discussion, Barry moved and Irene seconded that Section

D(a)(iv) be added: "In the event a board member shall be unable to complete the term of office, the Board shall appoint an interim replacement to serve until the next AGM."

Motion carried unanimously

- d. Attendance/voting requirements as per Terms of Reference.** On completing a year-end review of attendance and recording of AGMs, Babs reported that under the Terms of Reference, Pemberton had missed 3 consecutive meetings and therefore had lost its voting rights. During the recording AGM dates, Jane advised Norwood/Queens had not held an AGM but was negotiating merging with Delbrook. Consideration would be given pending the negotiations. Strathcona had not as yet provided their AGM date. On completing this update, the group conducted a review of the Terms of Reference relating to membership/voting requirements. Corrie moved and Diana seconded that the Terms of Reference be amended under Section B(c) be amended to read: "A CA will lose its voting rights if it has not held an AGM within 12 months of the end of its fiscal year, having been in existence for more than 24 months; or the CA has missed three consecutive NVCAN general meetings. Voting rights will be reinstated after the CA has attended two consecutive NVCAN general meetings." A further motion was made by Barry, seconded by Irene to modify Section D(c)(iii) to read: "A new CA must be accepted by NVCAN for membership and attend three consecutive general meetings before being eligible to vote."

Both Motions carried unanimously

- e. Speakers 2017/18.** Possible subjects arising from impact of town centre development: Schools, Emergency Services, Day Care places. After discussion, it was agreed to arrange a speaker from Translink to address traffic/transit on the North Shore for our October meeting, and a DNV planning staff member to address the OCP Implementation status.
- f. Set Schedule of 2017/18 meetings.** It was agreed to hold meetings as per the following:
- i. September 20– general meeting/by-election
 - ii. October 18– speaker
 - iii. November 15– general meeting
 - iv. January 17– general meeting
 - v. February 21– workshop for CA development
 - vi. March 21– general meeting
 - vii. April 18– speaker
 - viii. May 16– regular meeting,
 - ix. June 20– AGM/elections

5. Community Association Roundtable:

- a. Norgate Park:** Irene reported that the AGM was held on June 21, 2017, and it was followed by a meeting of the directors. On August 26th, 15th Street held a street party, which was a great success thanks to the organizers and volunteers. Speeding cyclists are causing problems for other Spirit Trail users.
- b. Woodcroft:** Val M reported: Woodcroft held a summer event at the end of June to coincide with Canada 150. It was held in our grounds which we decorated with flags and balloons. We had light refreshments, live music, and a Mountie in his red serge uniform. About 300 residents attended. Another townhouse development in the peripheral area at Glenaire & Curling is going to a Public Hearing on Oct. 3rd. This is for 6 lots to be replaced by 40 units. Negotiations are continuing between the Planning Dept., Developers, and the residents who live east of the proposed townhouse development at Glenaire/Fullerton/Sandown. This is mainly regarding step-down to their single family homes.
- c. Pemberton:** Paul reported that Pemberton held a July 1 social event. A large amount of redevelopment is going on throughout the area. He also reported that the DNV was in favour of the hotel proposal to replace Best Western.

- d. **Blueridge:** Barry reported that they had a good turnout for the Good Neighbour Day event on June 25.
- e. **Seymour:** Karen reported Anthem Properties is proposing to construct a 333 unit multi-family development at 904 – 944 Lytton Street, at the corner of Lytton and Mount Seymour Parkway. The proposal is for 133 townhomes, 157 condominiums and 43 rental apartments, which will include a mix of studio, 1-bedroom, 2-bedroom, 3-bedroom and 4-bedroom units. The site will be accessible from two points off Lytton Street. A total of 507 parking spaces are provided for the residents along with 92 visitor parking spaces. The proposal includes a redesign of Lytton Street featuring a new road, sidewalks, multi-use paths and major upgrades to the municipal utility services. Anthem would also make a community amenity contribution to the District of North Vancouver.
- f. **Strathcona/Deep Cove:** Karen reported on behalf of both CAs, that Darwin are maintaining current zoning (2 stories) due to public consultation. This development falls under the boundaries of Strathcona Community Association and across the road from Deep Cove Community Association boundaries.
- g. **Lynn Valley:** John H. reported on the opening of the Lynn Valley Link, and the celebration held at Lynn Canyon Park on September 16. John also reported that Guy Hayward is seeking to re-activate the community association for the City of North Vancouver. John H. requested that NVCAN members consider asking the DNV to move their regular council meetings from Mondays to Tuesdays with workshops being held on Wednesdays. John's rationale for such a change is the frequency of holiday long weekends and the timing of notice of cancellations reaching the NS News or DNV website. In addition, John suggested this be a question to be posed to candidates in the next municipal elections. John pointed out this was his personal view and not from LVCA.
- h. **Delbrook:** Diana moved and Jane seconded a motion that NVCAN demand that DNV put a moratorium on all housing developments until the traffic issues are finally answered. After various CA representatives said they could not vote on such a matter without first consulting their respective CAs, the motion was deferred. It was suggested that Diana present NVCAN Board with a maximum 2 page document that could be used by CAs to vote on. Diana also addressed the ongoing issue of the redevelopment of the Delbrook lands and the plans for accessible and affordable housing.
- i. **Edgemont:** Corrie introduced Eric Skowronek, as an alternate representative for Edgemont. Corrie reported that the Small Lot Infill Area (approx. 30 lots) is going to a public hearing. Note: of the 23 SLIA's in DNV this is only one expanding and/or splitting lots. Peter Rabbit block: the partner pulled out after number delays with permits. Thrifty's (replacing Super-Valu) in the Grosvenor Building with a 20 year lease *may* be subleasing to Whole Foods. The Chinese restaurant site at 5020 Capilano Road (zoned C2) has scaled down the number of units (still same square footage) and will go through public hearing of 'withholding' motion concurrent with a variance to allow residential on the ground floor instead of the required commercial. A member of EUCCA was appointed as a representative of EUCCA to sit on the Grouse Mountain Regional Park Planning Workshop held September 13th. Their mandate is to manage this park in a sustainable and ecological way. Recent sale of Grouse Mountain Resort: plans are unknown but both community and Council are concerned. Hope for a plan by year's end. There is discussion of key desirable elements of commercial patios. Issue of EV garbage cans – long time coming! OCPIC revived with Adrian Chaster representative for EUCCA area.
- j. **Norwood/Queens:** Jane reported on they held a Canada Day Party. An issue is developing around vacant houses bought by developers and then rented. The tenants are holding loud parties, contributing to vandalism, and allowing garbage to buildup. Norwood/Queens is contacting By-law enforcement and RCMP.

- k. **Lower Capilano:** John M. reported that the Advisory Design Panel approved the development of the hotel/tower (to replace the Best Western and Comfort Inn) despite their concerns there is too much massing.
- 6. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm
- 7. **Next Meeting Date.** Wednesday, October 18, 2017.

(Please let Babs know of any changes.)