

North Vancouver Community Associations Network (NVCAN)

Minutes from Regular Meeting

Date: Wednesday November 21, 2018
Location: DNV Hall, 355 Queens St W
Room: Meeting Room A
Time: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Present:

John Miller (Chair)	Lower Capilano
Eric Andersen	Blueridge
Barry Fenton	Blueridge
Katherine Fagerlund	Deep Cove
Corrie Kost	Edgemont Upper Capilano
Erik Skowronek	Edgemont Upper Capilano
Lyle Craver	Lynn Valley
Val Hammerburg	Maplewood
Stuart Porter	Maplewood
Irene Davidson	Norgate Park
Karen Barnett	Seymour
John Hunter	Seymour
Peter Teevan	Seymour
Chris Sallis	Strathcona
Val Wilkins	Strathcona
Val Moller	Woodcroft
Babs Perowne	Woodcroft

Guests:

Betty Forbes	DNV Councillor
Jenn Ohlhauser	OCP Implementation Committee
Adrian Chaster	OCP Implementation Committee
Vincent Santacroce	OCP Implementation Committee

- 1. Welcome:** John M. welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7p.m.
- 2. Program:** The representatives from the OCP Implementation Committee presented a summary of their findings as presented to the DNV Mayor/Council. They then described the process they followed in evaluating the OCP. Some key findings: the OCP is a living document that reflects the vision and plans of DNV; current stage reflects growing pains in effecting change; real estate market dynamics distorted housing mix and affordability; transportation infrastructure failed to keep pace for pedestrians, bicyclists and transit; and concept of town centres will help minimize environmental impact. The Committee representatives encouraged NVCAN members to read their detailed report, at: www.dnv.org/our-governent/official-community-plan-ocp-implementation-monitoring-committee.
- 3. Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was approved.
- 4. Approval of Minutes.** The minutes for September 19, 2018 were approved.
- 5. New Business**
 - a) Elect NVCAN Board Member. Peter Teevan was elected to replace retiring Board Member Betty Forbes. Peter's term of office expires in June 2020.

- b) **Holiday Lunch/Dinner.** After discussion, it was agreed to hold a Holiday Lunch on Wednesday, December 12 at noon, location Northlands Golf Club, 3400 Anne MacDonald Way. Babs is to make reservations and notify members.

6. Community Roundtable.

- a. **Woodcroft.** Val reported Residents in our neighbourhood had so many complaints in connection with the development going on around us that DNV Planning held a meeting with representatives from the Planning Dept. and the various Developers, to discuss these concerns. These were mostly regarding construction workers parking on residential streets, pedestrian safety, traffic flow, and vacant houses encouraging vandalism. Woodcroft councils are in the process of holding AGMs for the 5 Stratas.
- b. **Strathcona.** Chris reported Darwin has withdrawn its plan to redevelop the Raven.
- c. **Deep Cove.** Katherine reported that Deep Cove CA and Strathcona CA are discussing amalgamating.
- d. **Maplewood:** Stuart reported that the fish crossing arrangement under Riverside Drive has not worked as planned.
- e. **Blueridge:** Barry reported that Terry Beech had spoken to their group on Transportation and Housing.
- f. **Seymour:** Peter reported that the proposal for Tatla had passed but Allaire had died. Also, the DNV planner, Erik Wilhelm had left. Anthem's proposal for Seymour Estates has not passed first reading but they seem to be preparing for demolition. During the election campaigns, a citizen-led town hall meeting had taken place at Parkgate. Seymour would like to co-host Town Hall meetings with DNV Council members due to the positive engagement at the campaign meeting.
- g. **Blueridge:** Eric A. reported that Blueridge had also co-hosted an all candidates meeting and a meeting to explain Proportional Representation at Parkgate. The newsletter had been published before the Election. A community project is underway to provide participating homeowners a discount on fireplace and furnace cleaning.
- h. **EUCCA:** Eric S. reported that EUCCA's all candidates meeting attracted 450 people. A general meeting will be held on November 22 with the Mayor speaking. Construction parking and garbage around the Grosvenor project remains a problem. The Engagement Manager for the site has not attended a community meeting addressing the issues. Also the newly poured sidewalk curbs have to be replaced as they did not allow enough turning room for the bus. Curb has to be moved back about 1 meter. Four new projects are on the drawing board. Concern is growing about the need for the developers and DNV to enforce the parking plans for construction vehicles. Village merchants have installed Christmas decorations.
- i. **Lower Cap:** John reported that with no discussion with the neighbourhood, the DNV has installed temporary 'Resident only' parking signs on the east side of Tatlow Avenue (1600 & 1700 blocks) and north side of Hope Road (1600 & 1700 blocks). However, on the east side of the 1600 block of Tatlow, there are no legal parking spaces. As a temporary RPO does not involve a bylaw amendment, staff cannot ticket non-resident vehicles. District staff are "hoping" the signs will discourage non-residents.

- 7. **New Business:** Babs reported that Vancouver Foundation would support funding projects that promote social change and community connections. They support trial or innovative pilot projects not just proven projects, but do not provide grants for operating costs. More information can be found at www.vancouverfoundation.ca/grants/systems-change-grants.

- 8. **Next Meeting: Regular Meeting.** Date: Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

- 9. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.