

North Vancouver Community Associations Network (NVCAN)

Minutes of AGM Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Location: Zoom

Time: 7:00 – 8:45 pm

Present:

John Miller (Chair)	Lower Capilano
Eric Andersen	Blueridge
Katherine Fagerlund	Deep Cove
Corrie Kost	Edgemont Upper Capilano
Eric Skowronek	Edgemont Upper Capilano
Lyle Craver	Lynn Valley
Irene Davidson	Norgate Park
Karen Barnett	Seymour
Christine Miller	Seymour
Peter Teevan	Seymour
Val Moller	Woodcroft
Babs Perowne	Woodcroft

Regrets:

Barry Fenton	Blueridge
Val Wilkins	Deep Cove/Strathcona

- 1. Welcome:** John welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7 pm.
- 2. Approval of Agenda.** Meeting agenda was approved.
- 3. Approval of Minutes.** Minutes for April 19 and May 17, 2023 were approved.
- 4. Election of Board Members.** John announced that the terms of office for himself, Eric Andersen and Corrie Kost expire this year. Terms of office for Irene Davidson, Katherine Fagerlund, Babs Perowne and Peter Teevan expire June 2024. John then opened the floor for nominations. The three retiring board members all agreed to serve another term. Lyle Craver accepted a nomination to be a board member. Katherine Fagerlund announced she would be stepping down as a board member for personal reasons. Hearing no further nominations after three calls for further nominations, John declared the four nominees (John Miller, Eric Andersen, Corrie Kost and Lyle Craver) to be elected to a 2-year term of office expiring in June 2025.
- 5. New Business.**
 - a. Annual August supper? August 16?** John proposed NVCAN hold its annual summer event on Wednesday, August 16, at 6:00 pm at Northlands. The majority of people indicated support. Babs will make a reservation and send an invitation to everyone in August.
 - b. Topics for speakers for 2023-24.** Babs requested topics and possible speakers for NVCAN meetings for the coming year. Topics suggested were:
 - Workshop meeting DNV Council (by John).

- Green energy sources to mitigate climate change (by Corrie). Examples of energy: EV cars, hydrogen, solar power.
 - Company that installs Solar panels to understand costs, limitations, requirements, eg Penfold. (by Peter)
 - DNV Parks and Open Spaces particularly focused on safety on urban trails (by Irene).
 - Meet with Community Associations from other jurisdictions, eg Tsawwassen, Delta, West Vancouver, Burnaby, Oregon. As meeting would be on Zoom, look beyond the lower mainland. (by Eric A)
 - DNV Archives role and requirements to archive materials (eg FONVCA and NVCAN) (by Corrie)
 - Squamsh/Tsleil-waututh land development plans particularly the Seymour River Road area (by Peter).
- c. **Black Bear Society – distribution of material to CAs** –Christine, expressed an interest in reaching members of the Community Associations to distribute materials on behalf of the Black Bear Society, After a brief discussion, Lower Capilano, Norgate Park, Woodcroft, Seymour, Lynn Valley agreed to post materials to their members and agreed to have Babs provide the respective contact info to Christine.
- d. **Discussion on concept/policies/history of "density transfer"**. Corrie opened the discussion on the topic. All members participated in the full discussion citing examples across the District at Lynn Valley, Seymour and Lions Gate Village. Concern was expressed that density transfer set a precedent around the recipient location of the increased density. Developers of future projects expect to build to the same increased density in that area.

6. Community Roundtable.

- a. **Blueridge.** Eric reported the BCA's June newsletter (8 pages) was distributed to all Blueridge homes by volunteers. The main event being advertised in the newsletter was our big local event, Blueridge Good Neighbour Day, which had not taken place since 2019 due to the pandemic. A great T-shirt was designed by one of the members of the planning committee and it was used by all the volunteers on the day of the event. Extra T-shirts could be obtained by members of the public against donations on the day of the event. Although a lot of challenges and obstacles were encountered by the planning committee (school board, RCMP's (lack of) presence, liquor license, food permits) we managed to tackle them all successfully and a great day was had by the community. We estimate that the number of attendees was the highest ever – around 2,000. The planning committee's lack of event-planning experience was more than made up by the enthusiasm and new suggestions that were made and implemented. For the first time we had a chess tournament and also pickleball for those who wanted to try out this relatively new sport. In order to celebrate the success of this event a party was held the following Friday for the members of the planning committee.
- b. **EUCCA.** Eric S reported that Edgemont Drive from Ridgewood to Queens is now 30km/h. Corrie reported EUCCA is holding a community-building General Meeting. The meeting will be asking for residents' concerns and ideas for enhancing community involvement.
- c. **Woodcroft.** Babs, at Val's request, reported on the ongoing construction in the fringe area of Lions Gate. In particular the construction on the northeast corner of Glenaire and Fullerton. Babs also reported on the public information meeting regarding the property on the southwest corner of Glenaire and Fullerton. The project proposes 112 stacked

townhouse units and 179 parking spaces to replace the 9 existing single family homes.
<Figures corrected post-meeting>

- d. **Semour.** Peter reported that he is following the planning proposal for route of the Spirit Trail. Peter also reported that two candidates have been proposed for the Seymour North Vancouver riding for the BC United Party.
 - e. **Lynn Valley.** Lyle reported that Lynn Valley CA attended the DNV Council meeting to express concerns regarding the Safeway redevelopment at Lynn Valley. Lyle also reported that the Lynn Valley Days will take place at Lynn Valley Park over Friday and Saturday with the parade to take place on Saturday.
 - f. **Lower Capilano.** John reported no items for Lower Capilano this month.
7. **Old Business. DNV website failure 2022 elections.** John reported that the DNV had responded regarding the failure of the DNV website during the 2022 election. The DNV knew at the end of 2018 election there would be issues for the subsequent election, and a computer system upgrade was planned for 2020. That upgrade was delayed because of COVID and not completed by the 2022 election.
8. **Next Meeting: Regular meeting – September 20, 2023**
9. **Meeting adjourned** at 8:45 pm.