

Minutes of October Regular Meeting

North Vancouver Community Associations Network (NVCAN)

October 16, 2025

(held via Zoom)

1. Members of the NVCAN Executive were elected at our AGM (held 17 September 2025). Our practice is to elect board members at our AGM with positions selected at the first board meeting of each year.
2. The meeting was convened by chair Eric Andersen at 7:05 pm
3. In attendance: Eric Andersen, Trey Bell, Lyle Craver, Katherine Fagerlund, Corrie Kost, John Miller, Elmira Nazar.
4. Eric Anderson was acclaimed as president, John Miller as vice-president, Lyle Craver as secretary
5. The Agenda was approved
6. Members should note that the following dates were adopted at the September 17th AGM
October 16, 2025 (Zoom)
November 19, 2025
January 21, 2026
February 18, 2026 (DNV Budget)
March 18, 2026
April 15, 2026
May 20, 2026
June 17, 2026
September 16, 2026 – AGM
October 21, 2026
November 18, 2026

7. Approval of September 17th minutes
8. A general discussion was held concerning improving attendance at NVCAN monthly meetings – a more specific discussion is intended for at the next meeting. Key points made were:
 - How best to make our meetings more interesting?
 - What to people want most in meeting topics? A general “brainstorming” came up with:
 - In general meetings with guest speakers get better attendance
 - Suggested topics were affordable topics, the impact of Victoria’s Bill 44 (required to be passed by the end of 2025), 46, 47 which will revolutionize how housing is built in BC – and there is controversy as to to what extent these proposals are positive or negative
 - Members are reminded that (a) DNV now wants prospective speakers at Council to sign up in advance with the cut-off being 3pm for most meetingsPlease note these points were adopted with no changes.

General round-table:

- Eric (Blueridge) – having monthly board meetings very useful,
- Chemtrade seeking Community members for their Community Advisory Panel. The Chemtrade Plant is advertising in NS News their intent to continue North Shore Operations beyond the period previously agreed by DNV. Concerns raised by safety particularly due to where roads cross railways (ex. Near Transfer Station)
- Danger of massive contamination and hazard to public in case of a disaster either involving the railway/traffic crossings or a major earthquake.

- Concerns about leaks of UNDER 5 kg since legally the public (and DNV) does NOT need to be notified after the fact which could put public safety at risk. On the other hand, it was noted they pay several million \$/year in taxes.
- Eric noted there is another meeting planned between Oct 27th – Nov 5th and that he would notify us when he has a fixed date + time.
- **UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

The Council meetings of 10/20 and 10/27 are expected to be MAJOR as on Oct 20th Council has to decide between Options A or B with passage of Bill 25 determining if and to what extent DNV can rezone in these areas. Note that Bill 44 requires rezoning – and is not something DNV Council has discretion on. It was also noted that both options have pros and cons both for developers and the community generally.

However DNV (like every other municipality) is required to have passed legislation enabling Bill 25 by 31 Dec 2025. This legislation will primarily impact allowable density in all areas particularly those with heavy transit service with Marine Drive being a major example. It was suggested that Lynn Valley Road and Mountain Highway might also be in this category.