

## NORTHWEST NANOOSE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION – DRAFT #2

June 22, 2006

7:00 pm – 1391 Madrona – (Kirke MacMillan's Home)

### IN ATTENDANCE

President	Kirke MacMillan
Vice-President	Dave Jamieson
Treasurer	Frank Herman
Secretary	Greg Field
Directors at Large	Mike Gray Bob De Buysscher Lewis Vermeulen

(Note: These minutes have not been formally approved and are subject to change)

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by Kirke MacMillan at 7:03pm.

### 2. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – May 23, 2006

- The minutes were reviewed and accepted.

### 3. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – June 5, 2006

- The draft minutes were reviewed. The minutes require completion prior to posting on the website.  
**Action** – Greg Field to complete.
- **ITEMS ARISING FROM THE AGM:**
  - o Posting the Nor'wester Newsletter on the website or sending it out via e-mail:
    - Discussion indicated those present were generally in favour of the idea.
    - There was a suggestion that posting the newsletter on the website and sending out a short e-mail announcing it is easier than e-mailing the entire newsletter.
    - **Action** – Rhonda Lott is to phone poll members regarding e-mail delivery of the newsletter.
    - **Action** – Kirke MacMillan to contact Rhonda and request her to also ask NNRA members if they have a preference for receiving the newsletter via e-mail or on the website.
  - o Number of newsletters per year:
    - It was agreed to reduce the number of newsletters to 3 per year
    - It was noted that, with e-mail delivery of the newsletter (or newsletter notice), there will be an e-mail address list for quick distribution of news or other important information.
  - o Garage Sales:
    - The consensus of those present was to skip next year's garage sale.
  - o Number of NNRA Directors and Meetings
    - The number of Director's meetings will be tapered back to 5 for the next year unless issues arise that require additional meetings.

#### 4. DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT (Kirke MacMillan)

- Kirke MacMillan approached Don Stewart who has agreed to stand as an appointed Director.
- It was moved and unanimously carried to accept the appointment of Don Stewart as a Director.

#### 5. TREASURER'S REPORT (Frank Herman)

- The NNRA chequing account balance is about \$1500.
- However, there is only \$989.01 left from the current year's membership receipts. These are the funds available if the NNRA is to break even on a year over year basis.
- Given the changes contemplated regarding the Newsletter (the principal expenditure), these funds should be adequate.

#### 6. LEGISLATION REPORT (Kirke MacMillan)

- Kirke MacMillan explained the history of this item for the new directors.
- While the probability of annexation appears low, those present still feel there is some potential for annexation.
- Bob De Buysscher indicated from earlier discussions on this topic that Madrona could not be annexed unless the area is contiguous with Parksville. At present Pacific Shores not being in Parksville prevents Madrona being contiguous. Andrew Pearson (Pacific Shores) contends that Parksville couldn't annex Pacific Shores for legal reasons and that he has the power to prevent such a move by Parksville.
- Bob De Buysscher suggested that a meeting be held with Andrew Pearson to receive an update on his (Pearson's) perspective on the topic.  
**Action** – Bob De Buysscher and Dave Jamieson to initiate a meeting with Andrew Pearson.
- Kirke MacMillan presented a rough, unblended comparison of Nanoose verses Parksville residential tax rates was presented and discussed. While the current Parksville tax rates would not apply exactly should Madrona be annexed, it was likely there would be a significant increase in taxes should annexation occur.
- Kirke MacMillan indicated that George Holme would support an incorporation study if the NNRA could get the support of NPORA and Fairwinds resident's associations.
- Jim Lettic (NPORA) has been in contact with Kirke MacMillan regarding an incorporation study. Lettic will contact Fairwinds to determine their general interest.

#### 7. NNRA COMMITTEE REVIEW

- BUDGET & FINANCIAL COMMITTEE:
  - o There was no diligent review of the RDN budget this year. In the past the RDN responded to complaints / suggestions from the committee.
  - o The committee never met last year. This committee requires full time commitment scrutiny.
  - o Suggestion was made to approach NPORA / Fairwinds in order to find a qualified person to do investigations.
  - o Leave the committee in place subject to review with other groups.
- LEGISLATION:
  - o This committee will continue.

- NEIGHBOURHOOD ISSUES:
  - o Leave this as the first point of approach for neighbourhood complaints.
  - o Warning that this committee or the NNRA is not to become a police force.
- WASTE / WATER:
  - o It may make sense to split this committee into its main components. It had been separate in the past.
  - o **Action** – Kirke MacMillan to approach Mike Rich for his suggestions.
- MEMBERSHIP:
  - o Rhonda Lott to check the status of the other committee members and report to Kirke MacMillan.
- SOCIAL:
  - o Kirke MacMillan to check the status of this committee.
- COMMITTEE CHAIRS
  - o After discussion it was agreed the committee chairpersons do not need to be an NNRA Director.
  - o Each committee should have a Director as a liaison between the committee and the Executive.

#### **8. MEETING WITH GEORGE HOLME JUNE 19,2006 (Dave Jamieson)**

- Dave Jamieson reviewed the history of this item – it arose from meetings the RDN had regarding their Open House for Recreation Services Master Plan.
- Reviewed Dave Jamieson’s letter of May 25, 2006 to the NNRA Board of Directors.
- Noted that the government has the option to choose the method of taxation – parcel verses assessment.
- Mike Gray reviewed the June 4, 2006 NNRA residents Recreation Survey.
- Discussed the issue of cost recovery verses user fees. Noted that the RDN seems to be satisfied with a less than 50% cost recovery.
- Noted that Nanoose Place is not supported by RDN taxes.
- The Minutes of the June 19, 2006 meeting documented a number of items that George Holme is to follow-up on. Suggestion made to post the June 19 Minutes on the NNRA website.
- Action** – Dave Jamieson to obtain George Holme’s permission to do so.

#### **9. PAST DIRECTOR’S SOCIALFUNCTION**

- After discussion, it was agreed to host a Cocktail party for the retiring Directors.
- The event will be hosted at Frank Herman’s house.

#### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15pm.
- Next meeting is September 19th at 7:00 PM at Dave Jamieson’s house.