

**FALSE CREEK SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION**  
**falsecreeksouth.org**

**Delegates' Meeting: January 4, 2012**  
**Minutes of Meeting**

**Present:**

Norah Hartman, Discovery Quay  
Wendy Herdin, Alder Bay Co-op  
Keith Freer (Treasurer)  
666 Leg-In-Boot Square  
John Saville, Newport Quay  
Kathleen MacKinnon (President)  
Regatta  
Wes Knapp (Secretary) Regatta  
Merv Therriault, Alder Bay Place  
Ladora Minielly, Alder Bay Place  
Arthur Brock, Regatta  
Gillian Willis, Harbour Terrace  
Martes Farrugia, Fountain Terrace

Margaret Mitchell, Henley Court  
Sean MacLaren, False Creek Co-op  
Dave Osborne (Vice-President)  
Marine Mews  
Jo-Ann Hilton, Creek Village  
Carol Simpson, 658 Leg-In-Boot Square  
Gordon Watson, Creekview Co-op  
Beryl Wilson, Spruce Village  
Marian Hogue, Pacific Cove  
Jerry Roy, Heather Point  
Richard Evans, False Creek Co-op  
Nathan Edelson (consultant) 42<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Consulting

**Regrets:**

Eva Swartz, Discovery Quay

**Absent:**

Anne Pearson, Island Cove  
Laurie Clarke, Spruce Harbour Marina  
Co-op

Kristina Grant, Henley Court  
Jennifer Greenwood, Pacific Cove  
Jeannie Parnell, Twin Rainbows Co-op

**1. Approval of Agenda**

That the agenda as amended be approved. M/S APPROVED

**2. Approval of Minutes**

That the minutes of November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 be approved. M/S APPROVED

**3. Correspondence**

- a) Receipt of a thank you card from Spruce Bay Marina Homeowners for assistance provided to them this past year.
- b) City of Vancouver Advisory Committees--a call for volunteer members to serve on the City's 23 advisory bodies.

#### **4. Finance Report**

Treasurer Keith Freer reported as follows:

Bank Account Balance: \$6 749

Term Deposits: \$10,000 (two \$5000 GICs mature in Feb. and March 2012)

Upcoming expenditures: a) Annual Grant for Winter Solstice-\$750 (Secret Lantern Society) b) Meeting room rental-\$450 (False Creek Community Centre.)

Invoices for 2012 will be issued to all member enclaves January 31, 2012.

That the Treasurer's report be approved.

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#### **5. Business Arising**

##### a) Mini Clean Up

In conjunction with volunteer residents, John Saville (Newport Quay) arranged a mini clean up of debris in two areas of South False Creek in November. This project was in addition to the City-sponsored Keep Vancouver Spectacular event last spring when some 38 residents undertook a half-day clean up in several parts of South False Creek. Many thanks to all of the residents who volunteered.

##### b) FCSNA Website

Martes Farrugia agreed to obtain a tally of the hits on our website. She wants to refine the tally by determining the number of search engines involved but indicates that we have had upwards of 2500 hits per month on average.

##### c) NEU Review

Arthur Brock (Regatta) is our representative on a review committee for the Neighbourhood Energy Utility (NEU). He reported recently that serious consideration was being given to the use of wood pellets as an energy source in future energy utilities such as the Fraser Lands in South East Vancouver.

However, at a meeting on November 8, the review panel decided against the use of wood pellets for neighbourhood utilities in urban settings as per our November 2011 motion. The success of the NEU plant in South False Creek, which uses heated sewage as its source, was the basis for our opposition to the use of wood pellets.

## 6. Reports

False Creek South Neighbourhood Planning Committee report—Update

Richard Evans (False Creek Co-op), Jerry Roy (Heather Point), and Nathan Edelson (consultant, 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Consultants), made a detailed presentation on the work of the committee to date. Other False Creek South members on the committee are Wendy Herdin, Dave Osborne, Gillian Willis, Sean McLean, Richard Vallee, David Martin, Monty Wood, Jim Taggart, and Graham McGarva. This committee has been meeting weekly for the past three months in preparation for meetings with the City of Vancouver on the expiration of land leases in False Creek and related matters. With the expiration date less than 25 years out, it is important to begin now on planning decisions regarding the future of South False Creek.

That the mission statement for the Planning Committee be:

**To create a dialogue with the City of Vancouver to establish a process to preserve and enhance the False Creek South community beyond 2036, enabling the community to evolve and diversify in a way that is sustainable for existing residents and the City of Vancouver beyond 2036.**

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That the major principles being pursued be:

- 1. Existing residents can remain beyond 2036.**
- 2. Continue with an income mix, as originally intended in the City's planning.**
- 3. Continue to embody City of Vancouver initiatives: green city; affordable housing; financial sustainability.**
- 4. Seek opportunities for increased density while respecting the historic urban design pattern of buildings and open space.**
- 5. Model a process for dialogue, decision making, partnership and change that is inclusive of all stakeholders.**

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Involving residents of South False Creek Community in the planning process

The Planning Committee emphasized the importance of an outreach strategy to involve residents in the community, not only those living on leasehold properties but also residents in freehold properties. To this end a plan is being finalized to reach out to all the enclaves and businesses in the neighbourhood. A “request for information” survey has recently been sent to all stratas/boards and property managers in South False Creek seeking details on building envelope repairs and/or improvements to common property. Such information is designed to underscore the commitment residents have already made to their homes and community in False Creek.

Questions and comments were put forward by delegates at the meeting.

At the conclusion of the Planning Committee's report, Nathan Edelson left the meeting and the following motion was put forward:

**That FCSNA establish a budget of \$4800—represents four days of consultant services for the months of January and February 2012—to continue to engage the services of Nathan Edelson of 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Consulting to assist the False Creek South Neighbourhood Planning Group with the next stages of the committee's engagement with the City of Vancouver and False Creek South West Community.**

**Such services will be in the areas of:**

- A. Assisting the Planning Group with fleshing out its basic strategy and approach to the City at the political and bureaucratic levels, particularly in terms of i) helping to interpret what different City officials may be trying to achieve; ii) determining how best to work with them; and iii) researching specific City policies that are relevant to the current and future needs of False Creek South.**

**And**

- B. Assisting with messaging and researching the answers to questions as they arise from the residents and the media as the process enters the community engagement and public relations stages.**

Clarification of the above service: Mr. Edelson's services would be on a retainer basis with the understanding that he would be available to assist us for periods in excess of four days.

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## **7. Unfinished Business**

As the meeting had reached its adjournment time, the unfinished items will be placed on next month's agenda. They include:

- a) A new constitution for FCSNA (Draft 4 of the proposed constitution was distributed to delegates by e-mail)
- b) Joint Working Group—Mandate and Representation
- c) Sewage Pump House on the seawall.

## **8. Adjournment 9:05 p.m.**

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, February 1, 2012. False Creek Community Centre—7:00 –9:00 p.m.**