



Meeting summary notes

North Shore Waterfront Liaison Committee

Meeting details	
Date:	December 9, 2021
Time:	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location:	Online meeting via Zoom
Chair:	Jamiann Questa, community representative, District of North Vancouver (1/3 meetings)
Vice-chair:	Kamilah Charters-Gabaneck, District of North Vancouver (1/3 meetings)
Attendees:	<p>Community representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doug Ausman, City of North Vancouver • Liane McKenna, City of North Vancouver • Kathy Heise, District of North Vancouver • Michael Evison, District of West Vancouver <p>Municipal representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kamilah Charters-Gabaneck, District of North Vancouver • Natalie Roizman, District of West Vancouver <p>Organizational representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa Dooling, Neptune Terminal • Karen Obeck, Seaspan • Kris Neely, Seaspan • Cliff Stewart, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority • Jeanette O'Brien, Western Stevedoring • Ram Chungh, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority • Kimberly Ng, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority <p>Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jurgen Franke, Neptune Terminal
Regrets:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tyler Banick, CN Rail • Larry Orr, City of North Vancouver • Jamiann Questa, community representative, District of North Vancouver • Kim Stegman, Western Stevedoring (alternate) • Marjan Navab-Tehrani, Squamish Nation • Carleen Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh Nation
Previous meeting:	2021-09-23

Agenda Item	Discussion/action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome, introductions and safety moment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This meeting's safety moment reminded members to exercise caution when travelling during the cold and wet weather.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertorial update 	<p>Doug provided an update on the advertorial</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advertorial was published in the North Shore News on November 17 and November 24 • The advertorial focused on the role of the committee, those who participate in the meetings, and examples of how complaints from residents are resolved • View the advertorial on page 11 of the North Shore News published November 17, 2021 <p>Action: Ram to share a copy of the advertorial to committee members</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roundtable 	<p>Community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The North Vancouver community had an opportunity to comment on the Lower Lonsdale Business Improvement Association's renewal. The majority of residents were in favour and council will vote on the renewal in the coming weeks • On December 4, the Shipyards transformed for the holidays with lights and festive decorations, and holiday activities throughout the month. The mayor lit the tree and opened the ice skating rink for the season • The community had an opportunity to share comments on two surveys from the City of North Vancouver surrounding health and wellness. The surveys included opportunities for comments on culture and recreational activities, and environment and climate change • A West Vancouver representative noted concerns about the recent flooding events in the city and a lack of progress with the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant <p>Municipal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District of North Vancouver shared a resident's noise and lighting complaint with the port authority. The district also shared a property tax update, the province will be meeting in 2022 to review how BC assessments are done • An update on the District of North Vancouver's engagement of the municipal finance reform initiative will be provided in 2022 • District of West Vancouver provided an update on recent flooding events. Crews were cleaning catch basins 24/7 which reduced impacts from localized flooding • District of West Vancouver extended their outdoor patio program for another year and council approved the permanent bylaw to allow legal consumption of alcohol in Millennium Park <p>Industry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neptune received more noise concerns this year compared to last year and provided an update on their community response procedures. Neptune posts public quarterly air quality reports including data from monitoring stations on terminal and in the community • On October 19, Seaspan Shipyards celebrated the 10th anniversary of building ships in Canada under the National Shipbuilding Strategy • An active habitat restoration project is underway at MacKay Creek estuary. The creek flows under Marine Drive into Burrard Inlet by an industrial area east of Seaspan

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An engagement summary for the proposed Seaspans Vancouver Drydock Water Lot Expansion project is available on the port authority's website. The consideration report is being finalized • Western Stevedoring noted significant impacts on cargo exports due to recent storms and thanked all stakeholders for working together during these unusual times • Western Stevedoring mentioned that the Mountain Highway Underpass opening is significant for cargo movement on the North Shore <p>Port updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Vancouver gateway continues to experience impacts due to widespread flooding throughout the Metro Vancouver and Fraser Valley regions. Both railroads are back in operation after 31 washouts occurred between Vancouver and Kamloops. Service has returned after three weeks • The Zim Kingston container vessel will be heading to Nanaimo to begin salvage operations. On October 21, due to inclement weather, the MV ZIM Kingston vessel lost approximately 40 containers overboard west of the Strait of Juan de Fuca • The proposed Richardson Railyard Expansion project's public comment period will be available between November 15 and December 14, 2021. The port authority will conduct formal consultation activities with stakeholders and Indigenous groups as part of the Project and Environmental Review process • On November 18, the port authority's Habitat Enhancement Program's and Tsleil-Waututh Nation's Maplewood Marine Restoration Project was recognized for excellence at the Environmental Managers Association of B.C.'s annual awards gala <p>Action: Ram to share engagement summary and consideration report for Seaspans Vancouver Drydock Water Lot Expansion project</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Shore community feedback 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community members were concerned about bright lights from Centerm terminal. When the new quay cranes were being energized, the boom lighting was inadvertently turned on when the cranes were up. The issue has since been resolved • Comments on the proposed Seaspans Vancouver Drydock Water Lot Expansion project were forwarded to the port authority's Project and Environmental Review department to ensure the concerns form part of their application review and analysis • A community member provided comments on the Richardson Railyard Expansion project including remarks on air quality and other project-specific questions. The port authority is working on a response to the comments and will share them with the committee once provided • A West Vancouver resident had concerns about lighting and noise, which were addressed by the port authority
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation selection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four organizations were suggested as recipients of the committee's annual donation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Squamish Nation's Kwi Awt Stelmexw - A Language & Arts Society - Tsleil-Waututh Nation's Day School and Residential School Survivors Fund - BCIT Marine Program's bursary - Canadian Red Cross – BC Flood Relief Fund • Neptune, Seaspans and Western Stevedoring volunteered to match port authority donations of \$1,000 for a total of \$4,000

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee voted to donate \$1,000 to each of the four suggested charitable organizations <p>Action: Kimberly to organize donations of \$1,000 to each of the four charitable organizations selected by the committee</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation and discussion: Neptune terminal projects overview by Lisa Dooling and Jurgen Franke 	<p>Lisa and Jurgen provided a presentation on Neptune’s terminal and ongoing projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neptune ships steelmaking coal and potash, which are exported to destinations outside North America Neptune is an active terminal, with construction occurring regularly including both capital projects and maintenance work Between 2019 and 2021, Teck invested in upgrading its steelmaking coal handling infrastructure at Neptune. All upgrades are completed and in operation. The project included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New stacker reclaimer, made in Canada New tandem railcar dumper New conveyors New shiploader The next significant capital project is the replacement of two potash shiploaders and a railcar dumper. The project is located at Berth 2 and Dumper 2 and the project is beginning with permitting in 2022 for a period of approximately five years The design of all projects takes into account best available technologies for environmental system Neptune is a member of both Green Marine and Climate Smart <p>Discussion highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee members thanked Neptune for continuously contributing, engaging and participating in the community A member suggested that Neptune install a sign on their property to educate the community on its operations A question was raised about the coal products that Neptune ships. Neptune noted that it ships metallurgical coal, which differs from thermal coal. Metallurgical coal is used for steel making Neptune hopes to offer site tours in 2022 depending on current health restrictions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee admin 	<p>Farewell to Michael</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee recognized Michael for his participation in this committee over the last six years, and thanked him for representing the District of West Vancouver community members <p>Recruitment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee is recruiting for two community representative seats for the District of West Vancouver. Advertisements will be running early next year. Once more information is available on our website, we will share the link with members. <p>Action: Ram to share link to website for recruitment once available</p> <p>Review action items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The engagement summary is available on the port authority's website and the consideration report for the Seaspan Vancouver Drydock Water Lot Expansion project is currently under review. We will share the report once it is available <p>North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee members are invited to a tour of the wastewater treatment plant on Wednesday, January 26 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. This is an optional tour, in addition to the regular meeting <p>Action: Kimberly to send a calendar invitation to interested members for the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant tour</p> <p>Year-end survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee members were asked to complete a year-end survey. This survey is key to ensuring continual learning and improvement of the committee <p>Next meeting venue, date and time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates for 2022 are being finalized and committee members will receive an invitation early next year <p>Action: Ram to finalize next year's meeting venue, date and times and send invitations to committee members</p> <p>Future presentations of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> North Shore Emergency Management Office's initiatives for emergency preparedness Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue Oceanwise's Pollution Tracker program Tsleil-Waututh water quality and wave assessment partnerships Port of Vancouver and national corridor air quality emissions New North Vancouver Museum project ECHO program Burrard Inlet initiatives BC Marine Terminals Operators Association overview
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Action items

Action Item	Lead	Status
Share a copy of the advertorial in the North Shore News	Ram	Complete
Share engagement summary for Seaspan Vancouver Drydock Water Lot Expansion project once available	Ram	Complete
Send a calendar invitation to interested members for the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant tour	Kimberly	Complete
Share consideration report for Seaspan Vancouver Drydock Water Lot Expansion project once available	Ram	Ongoing
Share link to website for recruitment once available	Ram	Ongoing
Finalize next year's meeting venue, date and times and send invitations to committee members	Ram	Ongoing
Organize donations of \$1,000 to each of the four charitable organizations selected by the committee	Kimberly	Ongoing