September 17, 2021

# Village Update

## Updates from the Municipality

### Mayor's Message



Hello Lions Bay,

As the picture shows, I enjoyed the dog days of summer. However, with Council's first meeting in six weeks this past Tuesday, rain pounding today, it's cooler and you can fire up your wood stove now. The official first day of Fall is next Wednesday, reality has set in.

It's back to work for the last quarter of the year and the last year of Council's term.

Here are some decisions from Tuesday's agenda. For more details, **watch the video or read the agenda here**.

1. The Village of Lions Bay is Recognizing the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to commemorate the history and ongoing legacy of residential schools. The Office will be closed on September 30th as a statutory holiday.
2. 2021 YTD Capital Expense Summary update for $5.5 million in Projects received.
3. Upper Bayview PRV Kiosk Wrap for $7K recommendation was approved.
4. The 2021 Paving Work Program was put forward by staff and $189K of work to be performed was approved. There are significant cost savings in effect due to our new relationship with West Vancouver. Thank you to my good friend Mayor Mary-Ann Booth.
5. Council decided to proceed with public engagement for the Urban Containment Boundary – look out for the Have your Say opportunity shortly.
6. The recommendation by Councillor Abbott to Support Bear Smart Initiatives was approved. Council applauded the work of Councillor Abbott and the Bear Smart members Mandy Clark, Amber Brown, John Xu, and Norma Rodgers. Special thanks also to Penny Nelson for her contributions to the team.

Thank you staff for all the hard work you did over the Summer break.

Unsolicited by me or staff, the Union of BC Municipalities via their Canadian Building Fund sent me notice in late August that they were doubling up on our Federal Gas Tax Fund annual "rebate" payment. We have now received an additional $59K on top of our initial receipt of $62k.

Chair Ute Phillips and her 50th Anniversary Committee team members continue to market 50th Anniversary T-shirt sales. Sale proceeds will be forwarded to LBFR. If you don't have one of these contemporary and eye attracting garments you can find them at the LB General Store.

For the last ten months, the LB General Store has supported LBFR through donating a percentage of alcohol sales to the Department. It is the location this Saturday for a Celebration event (**details here**) which includes the opportunity to see, listen to, and meet Gold Medalist Madison Mailey. You will also be able to enjoy local entertainment, and the La Taqueria Food Truck will be on the scene.

The sub-Committee led by "Mortgage" Dave Bruynesteyn was happy to announce the return of the Annual Lions Bay Fishing Derby as part of the Lions Bay 50th Anniversary celebrations! This was held last Saturday. Thank you to the Villagers who went to sea to sponsor this revitalized event. Bragging rights for a year, your name in perpetuity on the spectacular trophy, and the warm glow that comes from knowing proceeds will be supporting LBFR was quite an incentive to participate. Thank you, Dave, your cadre of behind-the-scenes helpers, and the contest day facilitators, for going from idea to execution.

Trailblazer godfather John Dudley's article appears further on in the Update. It is worth your time to read it and enjoy the pictures. I would like to double down on his appreciation of individuals and thank artist Barb San Severino, trailblazer Ken More, the LB Community School Grade 3 class and their teacher Sonai Southam, and PW Manager Jaffer and the Department for donating their time and talents. What you have done keeps our trail system vibrant and interesting.

I am so looking forward to attending the UNESCO announcement ( **here**) celebration of the Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Biosphere Reserve tomorrow evening. Congratulations to lead Ruth Simons and the team that has brought this to fruition! Check out the map **here**.

The fourth wave of the pandemic continues. The Delta variant strain is strong. Please continue to be vigilant with your personal safety and those around you. Stay well and I hope you enjoy the start of Fall.

Ron
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On Tuesday, September 14, 2021, Council approved the repaving of Isleview Road. The paving will be completed by BA Blacktop who have tentatively scheduled the work for mid-October. Please note:

- Road reconstruction is required for sections of the road and the balance will be ground down (milled) and then overlayed with new asphalt.
- Construction is expected to take up to ***three (3) full days*** – during that time, on-street parking will be restricted, and residents will be required to park their vehicle(s) wholly on their driveway or outside the paving areas such as the Park & Ride or the Lions Bay Beach Park parking lot.
- If you need to leave your home, you will need to ensure your vehicle is out of the area before 7:00 am. Please note that access to driveways cannot be guaranteed once the construction and paving operation has begun.

We understand that the above restrictions will cause inconveniences and we apologise in advance for this. ***If you require any extra assistance or need to let us know of a particular consideration, please do not hesitate to email works@lionsbay.ca.***

**THIS IS A PRELIMINARY NOTICE – individual letters are being prepared and will be sent to all residences on Isleview Place next week with further information. Please also check the Village Update and the Village Website for updated information.**

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## Where to Vote

Elections Canada

**FEDERAL ELECTION | MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

You may vote from **7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** at the Village Hall - 400 Centre Road on September 20th

**For more information, visit: www.elections.ca**

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## Introducing the Lions Bay Bear Smart bear tracking initiative

It's been a busy bear year indeed! Over the next few weeks, our bears will be preparing for their long winter hibernation and we can expect to see increased bear activity again.

The Bear Smart team is pleased to announce the start of a Fall initiative to protect our bears, starting today with the launch of our new tracking web site: www.lionsbaybearsmart.ca. If you see a bear in the village, please complete the online tracking form by clicking on the bright green "Report a bear sighting" buttons.

**Why track our bears?**
As a Bear Smart community, we have committed to keeping our bears safe. One of the

ways we do this is to track them to learn what they're up to. Many of them are merely passing by without misbehaving and we need to know this.

When a bear is displaying problematic behaviour, we need to understand why: is it indeed a dangerous bear? Has it been tempted by attractants? Is it defending its cubs? Reporting bears at first sighting means we can respond quickly to deter them away from humans, giving us a good chance of saving the bear's life.

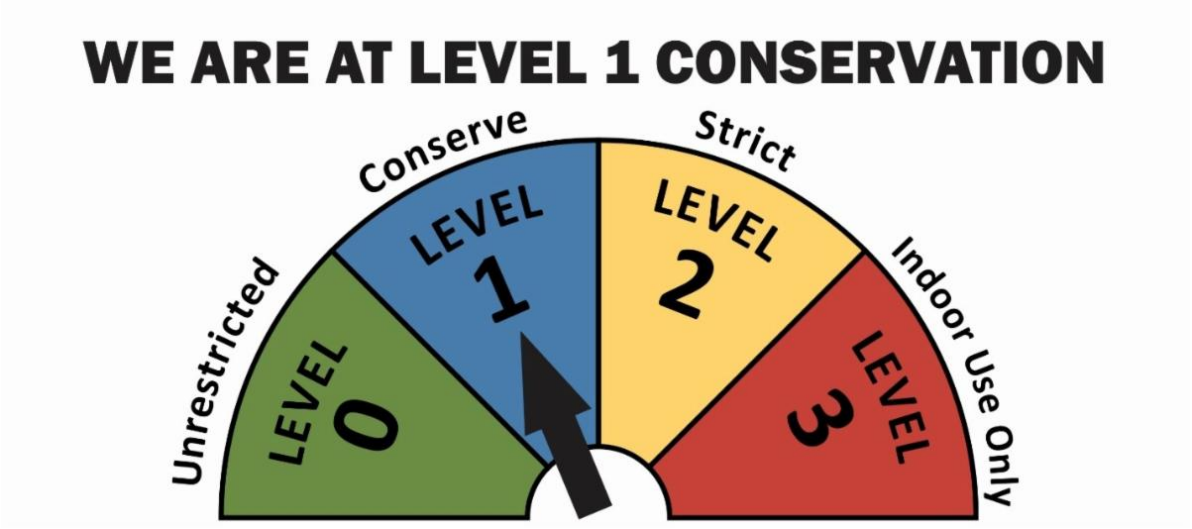
**What do I do if I see a bear?**
Please visit our **website** for detailed information, to report a bear sighting or to find out who to contact when necessary.

**Help keep our bears alive**
It's vitally important to remove and avoid all attractants that could entice bears into trouble. To learn more about keeping our bears safe, please **click here**. Keep in mind we have bylaws in place to protect our wildlife and Bylaw Officers are tasked with ensuring we all do our part.

**Got questions or want to volunteer?**
If you have questions or suggestions or would like to join the team, please email us at **lionsbaybearsmart@gmail.com**.

***Councillor Neville Abbott and the LB Bear Smart Team: Amber Brown, Norma Rogers, Mandy Clarke and Zeyang Xu***

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## Level 1 Water Conservation Measures are in effect

Rainfall accumulations this month have exceeded 40 mm and the creeks are flowing as normal again and more rain is in the forecast for the balance of the week and over the weekend. Our heartfelt thanks go out to all those who've assisted by cutting back on outdoor water use to date – it has helped. Residents are reminded that Water Conservation Level 1 is in effect until September 30 of each year after which we drop back to unrestricted water use.

**Follow this link for an infographic for information on what restrictions apply under Water Conservation Level 1.**

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## Rail Safety Week 2021 - Trespassing awareness

**Rail Safety Week begins on September 20th and CN Police is inviting you to meet with them on Tuesday September 21st to learn about rail safety. They will be at the Tidewater Way crossing with information and swag! Be sure to visit them to learn more about rail safety.**

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## Fall Arrives in the Coastal Region

### Burning Prohibitions lifted in Coastal Fire Centre

This week, the Coastal Fire Centre announced that effective at 12:00 (noon) PST, Thursday, September 16, 2021, all open fires will again be permitted throughout the Coastal Fire Centre's jurisdiction. The public is asked to plan for any open burning and to follow guidance to ensure their burning is conducted in a safe and legal manner.

**Read more Wildfire News here!**

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## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 5th

Committee Meetings:

- Tuesday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m. - Climate Action Committee
- Tuesday, September 21st at 7:30 p.m. - 50th Anniversary Committee

**View the Council/Committee Meeting Calendar, Minutes, and Videos here!**

## What's Happening in Lions Bay







### Lions Bay T-Shirts

**With no Firefigher Day for the 2nd year in a row, this is your chance to raise funds and support our volunteer fire department.**

**Free raffle ticket with every purchase.**

**Prize of $50 gift certificate to Lions Bay Store and a home fire extinguisher. Draw date of October 8th.**

**Pick up your t-shirt at the Lions Bay Store!**




**Have you heard the story of the Two Sisters?**

The 50th Anniversary committee has created the 'Discover Lions Bay' self-guided walking tour that guides walkers to 10 points-of-interest throughout Lions Bay.

Follow the map on a journey to learn more about what makes up our amazing community. Each stop will be marked with a small sign and a QR code where you can learn more about that point of interest. It is a great way to get outdoors and discover your community. Pick up your "Discover Lions Bay" map at the Village Office, at the store, or download it from www.lionsbay.ca/DiscoverLB.

## Lions Bay Historical Society Fundraiser

**Hot Off the Press!**

Have you found paradise?

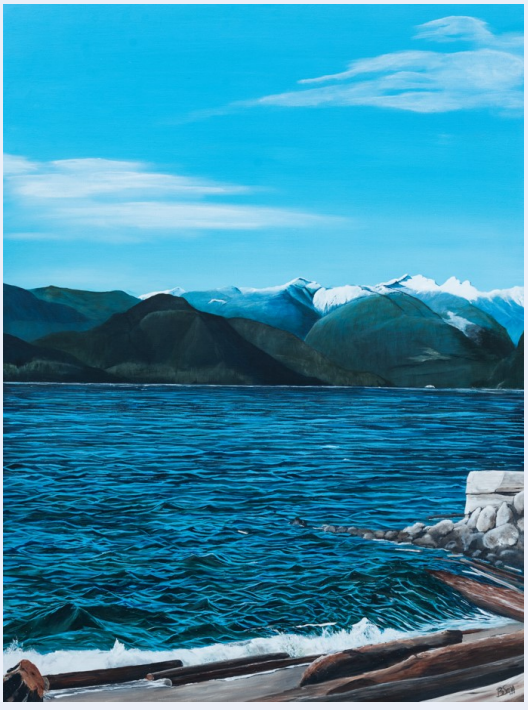
Well you can own a piece by having your very own print of "Paradise Found" (original at left with Tony Cox of the Lions Bay Historical Society).




A large poster is $35, small $25, available at the Village Office. Cheques made out to Lions Bay Historical Society. Cash is also accepted.

Paradise Found is an ad brochure from the 1950s about Lions Bay. Come see it in person and purchased a print in support of the LBHS.

## Lions Bay Trailblazers



On Thursday September 30th at 5:00pm the drawer for Barbara San Severino's magnificent painting "Winter Vision " will take place at the Lions Bay Store.

She is generously donating all the proceeds to the Lions Bay Trailblazers, so that we can carry on building and maintaining our 20 kms of village trails.

Ken More, who amongst other things, designed and built the map kiosks plus the recent new stairs at the bottom of the Lower Harrison ( with the help of a few of our team), will be drawing the winning ticket.

The latest map at the beginning of The Centennial Trail has now been installed. This was drawn by the Grade 3 students at Lions Bay School earlier this year, with the idea of showing and naming the little Creek that flows through the school grounds.

A vote was cast by all the students and the name chosen will probably surprise you. It is the English translation of a Coast Salish name, taught to the children by Bob Baker of the Squamish Nation.

We are waiting for the approval and correct spelling of the name, from the band, which will then be installed on a plaque above the map. I'm sure "Belly Button

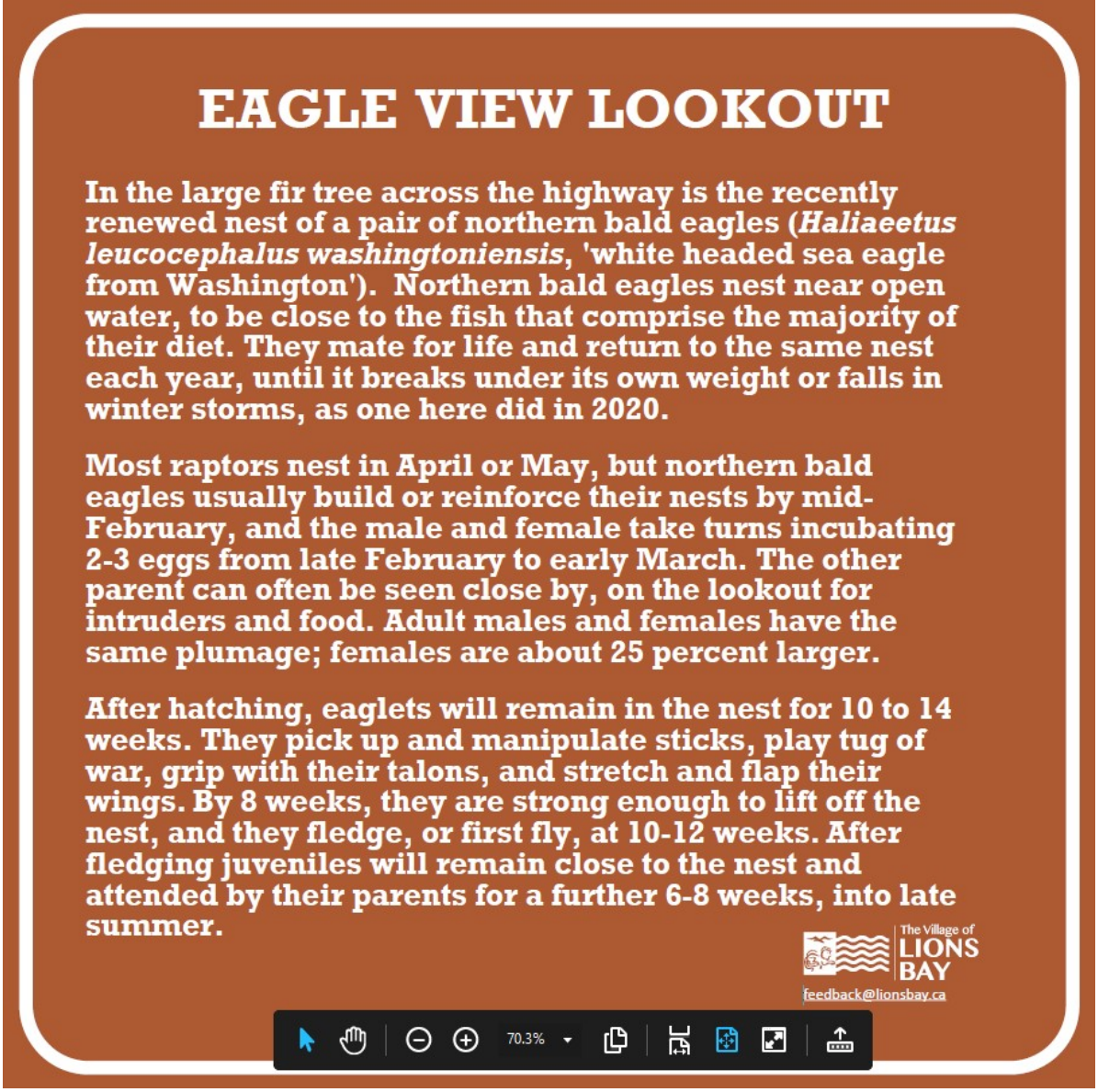
Creek" is a name that won't be forgotten!

I would like to thank all the people involved in producing the map, including Sonai Southam (the Grade 3 teacher) who inspired the kids to put it together, Barbara San Severino, Krn More, Nai Jaffer and the Village Works Department.

John Dudley.



## Community Sign of the Week




## Parkinson Superwalk a Success Despite Rain



Family, friends and neighbours had an early start last Sunday Sept. 12th at 9 a.m. when they hit the road to walk or run 1-5 km in




support of those living with, or affected by Parkinson Disease.

Special thanks to those who made a donation supporting me to reach my Goal of $4,000. Sincere thanks,
Sally Pollock

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