Village Update

Friday, July 28, 2017

From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

On Wednesday, July 12, the Pulling Together Canoe Journey landed at Lions Bay Beach Park for a lunch stop funded by the Village. Over 200 First Nations youth and public safety personnel, in 19 large canoes, on a pilgrimage of reconciliation, pulled in to Lions Bay during a 7-day circumnavigation of Howe Sound. They had approximately 25 support personnel augmenting the operation. Councillor Bain and I had the honour of greeting and addressing the entourage. Several residents attended the landing and met the participants. Like me, they were taken by the commitment and vitality of everyone involved.

The July 25th meeting of Council would normally be the final one for the summer before the August break. However, a Council meeting will be held on August 2nd to deal with some minor matters but primarily to appoint the Chief Elections Officer to facilitate an expected By-Election date of October 21st to fill the vacant Councillor position.

Pay parking in a few but popular designated areas commenced late last week. Feedback on this has been very limited within the last week, although hearsay is that some residents are confused. Staff welcome commentary throughout the summer as we hone our proficiency. Please do not be shy and send comments to feedback@lionsbay.ca. Without your written advice it is hard to be aware of issues and make changes. At the end of the summer season, staff will provide a report to Council about the paid parking results and this will be shared in a future Village Update.

Last year, at the Firefighters Day silent auction, I had the opportunity to bid on and successfully receive a unique firefighter event. Originally envisaged as an adult event, it was converted to a child-centered event. Recently this involved 14 children and adults who were entertained at the fire hall to a tour, fire truck trips, and a barbecue. Special thanks to Chief Andrew Oliver, Kyle French, and the many volunteers who made this a very special and memorable event for the adults and children. When the Firefighters Day event is held in September and this opportunity appears, I strongly suggest you submit a bid that reflects the unbelievable value and lasting memory this auction item presents.

Last Saturday, I had the opportunity to attend and participate in the 19th annual Lions Bay Historical Society Annual Croquet Tournament. The Historical Society is mandated to archive the history of Lions Bay and is always encouraging new members to participate. This event is certainly a perk to being a member. In a very close match to establish the champion, Tony and Val Cox narrowly defeated Rudy and Trudy Leuthy. To say that a good time was held by all who attended is an understatement. Thank you historians for all the work you do.

Eat Together - A community event for an elegant evening at Lions Bay Beach Park came before Council the other night. This bring your own dinner event includes a live music experience and will be held on August 20th. The dinner theme will be En Blanc with the concert to follow. The event will be from 5 - 8:30 in the comfort of your community. The organizing committee will be promoting the event shortly but I wanted to jump start their exposure.

While 2016 appears long in the past the 2016 Annual Report has been approved by Council. The report is extremely informative and can be found here. If you want to know the nits about your community this is the base document.

Our Municipal Shield has the wording "Splendour in Serenity" on it. It's hard not to think how appropriate this statement is when you look out the window these days. Happy summer all.

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The Village of Lions Bay is looking to develop ideas for the revitalization of the Lions Bay Beach Park (LBBP). To this end we are seeking volunteers to serve on an advisory group which will assist Municipal staff with public engagement and ideas for developing the park for the future.

The advisory group will be made up of three to five members with a diverse range of ages, backgrounds and interests. Meetings will be held approximately 4-5 times in the last four months of 2017.

All members of the community will be able to contribute to the Lions Bay Beach Park Revitalization Project through public feedback.

If you're interested in participating in the Advisory Group, fill out the following application form and submit it to office@lionsbay.ca by September 4, 2017.

Lions Bay Beach Park Advisory Group Application Form



The Village of Lions Bay has launched its new emergency notification system that sends alerts by text, email, or voice to landline, in order to keep you informed! We will use LBAlert to notify you about a variety of significant events, ranging from severe weather, wildfire, floods, debris flows, water restrictions, unexpected road closures, evacuations and any other emergency events that could impact you, your family and your community.

Ensure you receive real-time access to potentially lifesaving information when you need it most - Register now by visiting the Emergency Notification System page on our new website.

UPCOMING COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings take place in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. The Village Office is open until 6:30pm on Regular Council Meeting nights.

- Special Council Meeting - August 2, 2017 at 10:00 am

Note: please check the Village website meeting calendar for meeting schedule changes or cancellations.

PAY PARKING



Please be advised that the parking meters have now been installed and are in use.

The 2016 Parking Survey showed there's a desire to provide defined visitor parking to reduce increasing seasonal parking pressure on residential streets. To that end the Village is currently trialing Pay Parking at the Lions Bay Beach Park lot, the Kelvin Grove Beach Park lot, and the Sunset Trailhead lot. This Pay Parking trial period will continue for about 10 weeks, after which we will share our analysis with residents. Click on the button below to view more information on this 10 week trial.

As the Lions Bay Beach Park lot requires payment for both residents and visitors, residents may wish to utilize the free street parking located in resident parking zones. In an effort to ensure that permit parking on the street is protected, any vehicle without an Annual Permit (or Contract or Guest Permit) will be ticketed.

Please ensure that your Annual Permit is clearly displayed on your windshield to avoid a ticket.

Pay Parking Information Brochure

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