Village Update

May 6, 2022

Updates from the Municipality



Thanks to the inspiration of the Lions Bay Bird Friendly Initiative, we have an opportunity, on May 14, World Migratory Bird Day, to focus on the health of our ecosystem. Although the main activities of the day will highlight our local bird species, the birds are interconnected in the web of life to all the organisms of the ecosystem.

At 1:00 pm on May 14 at the village hall, please join Deanna Lewis, kalkalalth, (Wild Woman of the Mountains) of the Squamish Nation, who will introduce us to the many ways that First Nations People have interacted, and still interact, with the indigenous plants of the Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Biosphere Region. Deanna is a public school teacher who also guides and conducts workshops focused on indigenous culture in the summer season. She enjoys teaching her language and culture throughout Squamish and the Lower Mainland. This is a unique opportunity to participate in an authentic cultural and eco experience!





This winter Public Works and some residents noted cracking and damage to some of our creek bridges. Staff called upon engineers to review the damage and were advised that the bridge deck joints on all of the Municipality's creek bridges have failed. These joints form the transition between the road pavement and the bridge deck and are vital to the structural integrity of our bridges. The 2022 Operating Budget includes a large budget item to replace these failed deck joints. **Click here to read the full story.**



Public Works will be conducting our annual spring watermain flushing beginning on May 16. We will be performing an accelerated flushing program and will follow up with a more thorough and robust flushing in the fall. The spring flushing timeline will be compressed into one week as follows:

- May 16: Sunset, Mountain, Bayview, Timbertop
- May 16: Oceanview, Creekview, Panorama
- May 17: Brunswick, Islview, Upper Bayview, Crosscreek
- May 18: Cloudview, Seaview, Lions Bay Avenue
- May 19: Kelvin Grove Way, Tidewater, Periwinkle, Sweetwater

A detailed location map of the locations is available **HERE**.

Over time, mineral deposits, biofilm, and sediment accumulate in watermains and can be removed by the high-velocity flushing of watermains. Using a diffuser which allow a high velocity of water to be flushed while dampening flow, Public Works will sequentially flush watermains from one fire hydrant to another in order to scour the watermain and remove the mineral deposits, biofilm, and sediment. The Municipality is mandated to flush our watermains twice a year to comply with our drinking water treatment permit to operate issued by Vancouver Coastal Health.

During the flushing period, residents are advised to avoid using water to the extent possible and to place their filters, softeners and other water treatment equipment in 'by-pass' mode. Use of water during flushing will draw into the residential system the agitated sediment, thereby requiring more rigorous clearing of your water lines. Water drawn in during flushing can also lead to clogged filters and screens and may discolour laundry. During the flushing period the water will remain safe and potable, however, there may be brief periods of discoloration, cloudiness and temporary pressure fluctuations. The Village of Lions Bay accepts no liability for inconvenience or damage caused by low pressure or discoloured water use during its flushing program.

After the flushing is completed, we advise residents to clear their water lines. To do this simply let your cold-water tap (remove screens/aerators on tap) closest to the incoming water line run until the water flows clear prior to returning any water treatment equipment back online.

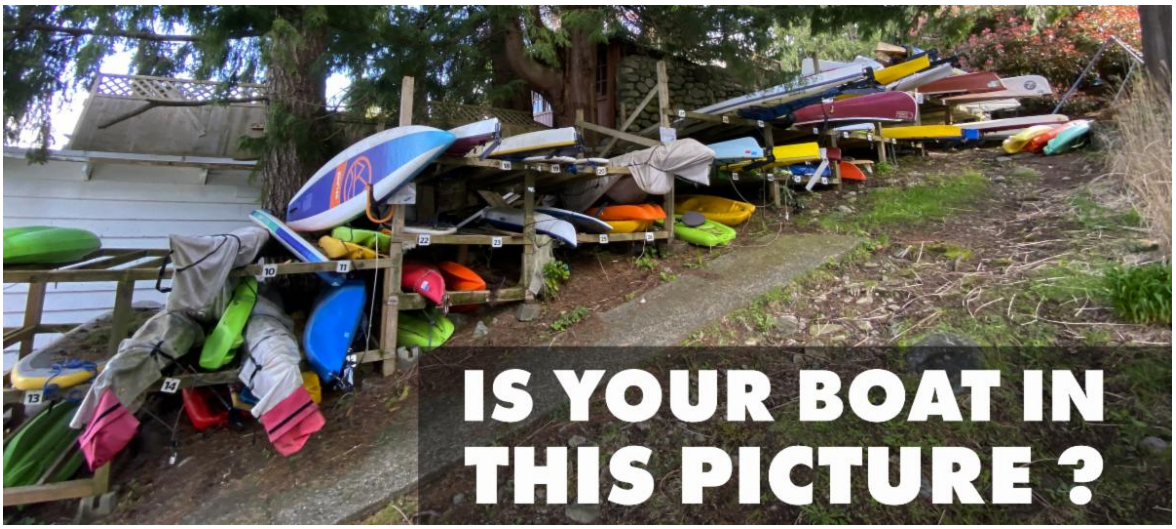
The Village of Lions Bay thanks you for your co-operation during this seasonal flushing program. For information, questions or concerns, please contact Public Works at 604-921-9833 or **works@lionsbay.ca**.

Lions Bay is a Bear Smart Community

The Lions Bay Bear Smart team would like to remind everyone that living in the natural environment of Lions Bay means cohabitating with bears. **We have a responsibility to our bears to reduce conflict between our species** and therefore must take safety precautions seriously. Whether it is keeping the garbage in our homes secure or maintaining our properties under Lions Bay bylaws; human behavior dictates bear behavior.
To keep residents and bears safe, **wildlife attractants** of any kind in your yard are prohibited under our bylaws and could result in a hefty fine. Similarly, putting garbage and recycling out the night before or **earlier than 5am** on **collection days** will have Bylaw knocking at your door.

For more information on living with and protecting our bears, please **visit the LB Bear Smart website**.

Thank you for being Bear Smart!



Use of the Boat Rack at the Lions Bay Beach Park is only for permit owners who have rented the space from the Village Office.

We have been alerted to the numerous kayaks, canoes and boogie boards that are strewn underneath, next to, and in front of the boat rack, many of which do not have a current-year permit sticker. By way of this article and letters being mailed to registered boat space renters, we are asking all residents to ensure that their boats are placed properly into the appropriate space with the permit sticker affixed visibly. Any boats that are left on the ground, strewn about or not within a registered boat space will be removed by Public Works on Monday, June 6, 2022.

Permit holders are reminded that fees were due payable at the discounted rate by March 31, 2022, per Fees Bylaw No. 497. Since that date has passed, outstanding fees are due payable at the regular amount of $150 per space by end of day **May 31, 2022**, to avoid your boat being **seized and removed**. A reminder letter was sent this week to all permit holders with outstanding payments.





NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: May 17th at 6:00pm*
***Closed session will begin at 6 followed by the public meeting at 7**

- **Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Committee Meeting: May 9th at 5pm**
- **Emergency Program Committee Meeting: May 10th at 7pm**

View the Council and Committee Schedule, Agendas, Minutes HERE!

Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found **here**.

Public Viewing Etiquette:

- *Public participation is still available on Zoom, during the Public Participation section of the agenda. Attendees will have two minutes to speak on any matter at the beginning of the meeting.*
- *Silent viewing only, until you are called upon to speak (if desired).*
- *Please do not interrupt Council discussion.*
- *Limit background distractions by muting your microphone and keeping video turned off until such time as it's your turn to speak (if applicable).*
- *If interruptions are repeated, the participant will be removed from the meeting*

What's Happening in Lions Bay

Get a Mini Photo Session with professional photographer, **Lee Halliday**, that directly benefits the school.

You, you and the dog, just the kids, you as cosplay Mandalorian, all are welcome!
***Email lbfamilyportraits@gmail.com** for a booking link.


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PORTRAIT
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with Lee Halliday
Saturday
MAY 7
Just in time for
Mother's Day!
$25
10 min session
+
1 digital image
HURRY!
Appointments
are limited
Book your session at:
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Look what just appeared at the Green Water Tower!

Lions Bay Arts through our ArtSpark! Program for kids has produced a 50Th Anniversary Art Project which is now erected in front of the Green Water Tower. Please take a moment to view this art when you are strolling around the Village. Big thank you to Public Works!



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