Village Update

March 31, 2023

UPDATES FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor's Message

Independent Municipal Advisor - Randy Diehl
On behalf of the village, I would like to welcome Randy Diehl to our community. I requested intervention by the Ministry of Affairs on December7th and again February 15th and 16th for their help to provide transitional support until such time as our By-Election is finalized and we can move forward. During this transition period, Mr. Diehl's advisory services will be greatly appreciated.

Randy has over 35 years of experience working with local governments (as well as the Province). His last posting before retirement was as Chief Administrative Officer with the City of Kamloops (for 11 years); he previously served as the City's Director of Development Services (for 12 years). In addition, Randy has served in leadership or advisory roles with a range of other local governments, including the District Logan Lake, the District of Chase, the Thompson Nicola Regional District, and the Central Coast Regional District.

Financial Controller - Joe Chirkoff
With a number of key financial positions being vacant, we have engaged the services of Joe Chirkoff. Joe is an experienced CPA, CA and has delivered accounting services to a broad spectrum of clients under both Canadian and U.S. standards, including small business and not-for-profit organizations, Municipalities, large pension plans and multi-national corporations.

Mr. Miller, Staff and Council look forward to Joe's assistance in moving the Village of Lions Bay's budget forward in order to meet our statutory requirements.

By-Election - to be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023
The Nomination period is from 9 am March 21, 2023 to 4 pm March 31, 2023. We thank all those candidates willing to devote their time and energy to serve the Village of Lions Bay.

For further information please contact:
Mark Brown, Chief Election Officer at 250-927-0304
Nancy Smeal, Deputy Chief Election Officer at **nsmeal@shaw.ca**

Marlene McGunigal, Deputy Chief Election Officer at **mcbeagle@telus.net**
Email: **election@lionsbay.ca**

Easter Egg Hunt
Thank you to Ryan and Riley for upcoming Easter Event to be held April 9 th. I would encourage everyone, young and old to put it in their calendar, please see the event posting for more detail.

A Last Thought
As elected Mayor and Council, our duty is to serve the residents of Lions Bay and to ensure the efficient operation of our Village; all in the name of good governance. Sadly, the ongoing level of antagonism in Council has prevented us from addressing the most critical issues facing our Village, in a timely manner.

We all own a piece of that, and we must find a way to confront and resolve our disagreements - in so doing recommit to the service we were elected to provide.

To that end, let me be the first to raise my hand. I look forward to our Council meeting next Tuesday.

Sincerely,
Ken Berry, Mayor
Village of Lions Bay

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY

CORRECTION to March 30, 2023 Village Update

Drop-off at the Works Yard on Saturdays (8am – 11am) not (11pm) for garbage and food waste only has begun again.



Spring is here and tennis players all over rejoice after their long winter of hibernation. It's time to dust off those rackets and get back on the court.

Public Works have finished pressure washing the court and putting up the net.

As anyone who has ever played tennis knows, the sound of a ball hitting the net is a

unique and satisfying sound. It's like music to the ears of any tennis player. So, if you're looking to get healthy and start playing tennis again this season, you can! Let the symphony begin!



Village of Lions Bay Career Opportunities
Please see link for details



The Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund was established to honour the life and public service of the first Mayor of the Village of Lions Bay, Allan M. "Curly" Stewart, who served from 1972 to 1981. A $1000 award is given annually from the trust fund, to the applicant who best exemplifies the criteria described in the official terms of reference for the award.

There are many ways you can apply! Submit a video or send in a written application along with the completed form.

Please note: Applications for the Curly Stewart Award must be submitted separately from others, such as the Lions Bay Scholarship Foundation.

Application FORM Available HERE

Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation

CALLING ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS!

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation presents Scholarships each year to successful Grade 12 applicants from the Lions Bay Community who are pursuing further education at a post-secondary institution.

Once again this year, three additional privately funded scholarships are being administered by the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation. The Rafe Mair Scholarship, The Rudy Luethy Scholarship and the Chevalier (Sir) Norman Kirby Scholarship may all be applied for through this one application process. Please review the criteria carefully on the application form. Students may be eligible for more than one Scholarship.

Applications are due by 4pm Tuesday, May 2, 2023 for the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation, Rafe Mair, Rudy Luethy, and Chevalier Sir Norman Kirby scholarships.

APPLICATION LINK FOR 2023



Did you know that causing harm to a migratory bird or destroying its nest or eggs is illegal and contravenes the BC Wildlife Act, Federal Migratory Birds Convention Act, and the Migratory Birds Regulations?

In particular, it is an offence under Section 35 of the Wildlife Act, to disturb or destroy an active bird nest—this applies to Municipal and private trees. In accordance with the Village of Lions Bay Trees, Views, and Landscapes Bylaw No. 393, 2007, the cutting of trees on Municipal Property during active bird nesting season which is between March 26 and August 16 each year is prohibited.

If your backyard is home to a bird family, causing them stress by destroying their habitat during the month they are intensely concentrating on the hard work of brooding, feeding, and tending to young can have dire consequences. Just because you don't see a nest in a particular tree, it doesn't mean there isn't one! Birds are very good at camouflaging their nests - different species build their nests at different heights, and those highest up among the branches may be extra hard to spot. Tiny hummingbird nests are the hardest to find. Some bird species will build their nests on or quite low to the ground, something the careful gardener should also be mindful of when doing yard work.

You are going to have to wait until mid-August to do tree work on municipal land unless you get Council dispensation to undertake a nesting survey, with a registered biologist, at your cost to establish there are no bird nests in the vicinity of the trees you wish to cut.



The first meeting of the new Climate Action Committee took place on March 27th, co-chaired by Councillors Abbott and Reuter and with a mix of committee veterans and new members all committed to action to address issues associated with the climate. The group discussed various issues associated with the climate as it may relate to the Village of Lions Bay. The committee will recommend changes to Village policies when or if it is appropriate.

There are 2 primary areas of focus for the committee: (a) actions related to greenhouse gas and carbon use reduction and; (b) initiatives that address potential challenges arising from global temperature increases.

It is clear to the committee that we need community input, so you can expect to see several conversations start in different channels and formats. One specific item that

we have started to develop as part of this outreach is a survey on what should be our focus. Expect to be hearing more soon."

2023 LOCAL BY-ELECTION

VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY DECLARATION OF CANDIDATES

I, Mark Brown, Chief Election Officer for the Village of Lions Bay, do hereby declare, pursuant to section 97 of the *Local Government Act*, the following persons as candidates for the office of Councillor in the 2023 By-Election:

COSGRAVE, Tanya - Lions Bay BC
CUNLIFFE, Jaime - Lions Bay BC

Given under my hand at Qualicum Beach, British Columbia, this 31 st day of March, 2023.

Mark Brown
Chief Election Officer Village of Lions Bay

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:
April 4, 2023 at 6:00pm*

***Closed session will begin at 6:00pm followed by the public meeting at 7:00pm**

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



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& Reception
Saturday, April 22nd
18h30-20h30
BUSINESS MEETING 18H00-18H30
REFRESHMENTS & APPETIZERS 18H30-20H30
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LIONS BAY CONCERT

Cayla Brooke



SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023

BROUGHTON HALL, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

$25 ADVANCE
$30 DOOR

MICHAEL CREBER, PIANO
BUFF ALLEN, DRUMS
LAURENCE MOLLERUP, BASS

Celebrate Spring! Join Lions Bay resident Cayla Brooke. An award-winning Jazz/Rock vocal powerhouse and star of the hit show Eva Cassidy How Can I Keep from Singing, with her trio -

- Grammy Nominated Michael Creber (Piano),
- Juno Award-Winning Buff Allen (Drums)
- and the exquisite Laurence Mollerup (Bass).

An intimate afternoon of stellar music and stories in your neighbourhood.

Tickets - https://www.caylabrooke.com/performances



2023 JUNO-Winners (and Fulbright Scholar) **Florian Hoefner Trio**, featuring **Andrew Downing** on bass and **Nick Fraser** on drums, are coming to Lions Bay to perform a repertoire of originals from their 2023 JUNO-Winning "Best Jazz Album-Group" album "**DesertBloom**" and 2021 JUNO -Nominated "**FirstSpring**" at the Village Hall. Born and raised in Germany, trained in New York City on a Fulbright Scholarship and now based in Newfoundland Canada, jazz pianist and composer Florian Hoefner draws from a myriad of influences that culminate in his unique Award-Winning brand of modern jazz.

Having just recently played the National Arts Center, it is an absolute dream to host them here in Lions Bay for an intimate concert gathering, in Lions Bay at the Village Hall on **Saturday, April 15, 2023 (2:00pm - 5:00pm)**

This will be an incredible intimate afternoon, and a chance to mingle and meet jazz greats!

INDOOR INTIMATE CONCERT in Lions Bay @Lions Bay Village Hall. Seats are very limited. We hope YOU can come. POTLUCK IS BACK so bring your favourite drink and appetizer to share. See you there!

PLEASE NOTE :: This is a 19+, POTLUCK food + (non-alcoholic) drink, INDOOR seated concert event.

Tickets



Lions Bay Giveaway Weekend

Saturday, May 13th at 8 am
until dusk on Sunday, May 14th

Once again, please help keep waste out of our landfills by putting out any of your unwanted items at the end of your driveway marked **FREE**. Items can include furniture, books, sports equipment, toys, gardening equipment, building supplies...anything goes, there are no rules!!

Drive, walk or cycle around the village over the Mother's Day weekend and see what treasures you can find for yourself.

Parking regulations will still be in effect so please be mindful of where you stop to shop. Kindly remind your kids not to drop any 'wanted' bikes and scooters near FREE signs.

Feel free to contact Heather Hood at 604 992 6179 or hoodinlionsbay@gmail.com if you have any questions.

*Please note we cannot accommodate a village-wide pick up at the end of the weekend, it is up to owners to please put away/donate their **own** unwanted items.

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