Village Update

February 14, 2025

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY





At the stroke of noon on February 15, 1965, Canada's red and white maple leaf flag was raised for the very first time on Parliament Hill. On the same day in 1996, National Flag of Canada Day was declared.

On this day, Canadians across the nation come together to honor the significance of the flag, reflecting on the nation's journey toward independence and unity. It’s a time to celebrate Canada's unique identity, its multiculturalism, and the pride that comes with being part of such a remarkable country. Please see letter below received from the Government.

Minister
of Canadian Heritage

Ministre
du Patrimoine canadien

Ottawa, Canada K1A 0M5

Dear colleagues:

On February 15, we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the National Flag of Canada. With its bold red and white colours and striking maple leaf, the flag embodies Canada's national identity, history, and values.

This year, more than ever, not only do we have to celebrate our flag but also remind ourselves what it represents.

In the last week, public displays of national pride have become more prominent following external economic pressures. The growing sense of unity and national identity is an occasion to engage Canadians to mark the flag's anniversary. Our flag serves as a powerful reminder of our shared values, our resilience and our national identity.

The kick-off to mark the anniversary of our flag will take place on Valentine's Day, February 14, under the banner "Celebrate your love for the Canadian flag". Canadians from coast to coast to coast are encouraged to find creative and meaningful ways to show their love for the flag as part of a nationwide celebration that will culminate on February 15.

On this important anniversary day, we encourage all Canadians to participate in activities and events to mark the day and to showcase our unity, solidarity, and pride – whether by organizing a flag raising, wearing the colours of our country or proudly displaying the flag.

We want you to share your celebrations on social media to build momentum and ensure that this 60th anniversary resonates across the country and beyond.
Let the world see that Canadians stand together, united under our flag.

Even though we may be geographically far apart in our vast country, let's seize this historic moment to unite to make this anniversary a truly national celebration and to show the world that we are proud to live in Canada.

Raise your flag. Show your Canadian pride. Celebrate your love for the Canadian flag.
Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Pascale St-Onge, P.C., M.P.

Canada

From the CAO's Desk



On Monday, February 11, members of Council gathered to celebrate the official ribbon cutting for the newly renovated Klatt Building. Attendees included MLA Jeremy Valeriote, Mayor Ken Berry, Councillor Michael Broughton, Architect Scott Gordon, and municipal staff.

This important project was made possible through generous funding from the Province of British Columbia. Special thanks to Project Manager Jurgen Franke, Scott Gordon, consultants, contractors, and Village staff for their contributions. The upgraded facility will provide a safer, more functional space for our dedicated firefighters, supporting their essential work in keeping our community safe.

PUBLIC EDUCATION & OUTREACH PROGRAM



AT HOME WINTER SAFETY

- Stay warm but use caution with portable heaters and fireplaces to prevent fires.
- Stay safe, clear and de-ice walkways.
- Be prepared, plan ahead and for more information see the web links attached below.

OUTDOORS WINTER SAFETY

Dress for winter: Wear layers, waterproof boots, gloves, and a hat to stay warm. Avoid prolonged exposures to cold to prevent frostbite.
Walk Safely: Where reflective clothing in low light and monitor local weather report reports for updates.
Act fast: If suffering from frostbite, move to a warm place and seek emergency medical care.

WINTER WEATHER CAR SAFETY

- Slow down and adapt your driving.
- Get winter tires, top-up windshield fluid and keep the gas tank topped up.
- See and be seen.
- Be ready to change or cancel your travel plans if hazardous travel conditions are

expected.
- If caught in a storm learn what to do in the links below.
- Get a vehicle emergency kit including winter supplies.

ALERTABLE
Receive alerts about significant local emergencies with clear and direct instructions on how to stay safe.

- **Click Here for a Winter Storm Preparedness Checklist**
- **Link Here - Information to Prepare For Winter Weather and Storms - Province of British Columbia**
- **Click Here For Information on Building an Emergency Kit and Grab-and-Go Bag - Province of British Columbia**



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Regular Meeting of Council Meeting - February 18, 2025 at 6:00pm

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Committee of the Whole Meeting - March 4, 2025 at 6:00pm

Finance and Audit Committee Meeting - March 11, 2025 at 4:30pm

Infrastructure Committee Meeting - March 11, 2025 at 7:00pm

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

View the Council and Committee Schedules, 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 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.





Celebrating the lives of our long time neighbours and friends

BARBARA & DAVID ENNS

YOU MAY NOT BE HERE WITH US ON EARTH BUT YOU WILL WALK WITH US EVERYWHERE

Saturday, 8th of March
from 1:00-3:00 pm Broughton Hall 400 Centre Rd.
Lions Bay, BC V0N2E0
Light refreshments will be served

How to take part

Step 1: Decide where you will watch birds.

Step 2: Watch birds for 15 minutes or more, at least once over the four days, February 14th – 17th.

Step 3: Identify all the birds you see or hear within your planned time/location and use the best tool for sharing your bird sightings: either the Merlin or eBird apps will automatically submit your sightings for the count.





Please join your Butterflyway Rangers, Val and Hana, at our first Lions Bay Ivy Pull!

We are planning our first ivy pull for **March 2, between 10 and 2**. This date is before ground-nesting birds are active. Please meet us at the Broughton Hall. Help prevent the spread of ivy and restore affected areas with native plants. Restoration helps bring back native species and improve biodiversity in our beautiful village. Everyone benefits.

During the 2025 Ivy Pull, we will be clearing the area near the village office, by the stop sign before you turn up towards the fire hall or down towards the store. We selected this area because it is a key junction for people and traffic. We hope that the visibility of our work will inspire others to remove the ivy at their homes and throughout the municipality. Later in the spring, the cleared area will be planted with native plants.

During this event, at approximately 11:30, Lions Bay resident Ingrid Wray and Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council member Clo Godbout-Gauthier will give a seminar on weaving ivy vines into creative baskets. Broughton Hall will be open for the weaving activity and as a warm location where you can enjoy a delicious scone and some tea or coffee.

Please bring: your own bag lunch. Warm old clothes and gardening gloves are recommended; hand pruners and weeding forks could be useful.

Teens who need service hours for school are encouraged to join in. We will provide documentation of your excellent efforts!

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- Encourage friends and neighbours to **subscribe** to the weekly Village Update and the municipality's **Facebook page** as a regular source of official municipal information.
- **View Council and Committee calendars, agendas and meeting minutes HERE**
- See local air quality on our **real-time air quality map**
- Compostable and landfill garbage drop-off Friday 6-8 am, Saturdays 8-11am at the Public Works Yard, 5 Tidewater Way.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns pertaining to the Village Update, please email ***epost@lionsbay.ca***

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