Village Update

March 21, 2025

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY

MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

GRANT IN AID ARE NOW OPEN

Applications are now open for the 2025 Grant-in-Aid (GIA) intake for Lions Bay Community Groups, Organizations and individuals. You can find the application here. Deadline for submissions is March 28th at 4:30 p.m. Some things to remember when submitting your grant:

⇒ In a effort to reduce our footprint, as well as paperwork, only electronic online applications will be accepted.

⇒ Only the current 2025 Application form will be accepted.

For anyone needing assistance with the online application, and/or further help or instructions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Any Questions, please call or email: 604-921-9333 ext. 1004 or accounting@lionsbay.ca

Click Here for the 2025 Grant in Aid Application Form

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS YARD

1) We're pleased to announce the success of our $3.94 mil. proposal to the BC Water Metering Pilot Program for 100 percent funding of universal property water meters, 10 watermain zone meters and 11 remote-control pressure management installations. With water an increasingly valuable commodity in Lions Bay--particularly in summer--understanding where it is going is essential to ensuring we have enough of it. Measuring usage by metering will reduce the large amount of time Public Works allocates to seeking

out and repairing leaks in municipal lines and private lines. The project is subject to Council formally accepting the Provincial funding agreement at a Special Meeting on Monday--the full public report is in the meeting agenda **here**. A public outreach program is planned to let people know what metering means for our community, and for them.

2) The Timbertop water pressure booster pump is being serviced on Thurs. April 17. Water will be intermittently off between 8 am and 3 pm for addresses from 365 to 425 Timbertop. Notices will be hand delivered, and signage will be placed. We apologise for the service outage in advance, and will get water back on as fast as humanly possible. Public Works will be taking advantage of the downtime to also install a system to remotely report live upstream and downstream pressures and pump cycles to our process control system, part of the SCADA upgrades budget approved by Council last year.

3) Residents will have seen contractors working on the road bridges on Crosscreek over Harvey Creek, and on Bayview Road and Bayview Place over Alberta Creek. This project pares back the bridge deck where it joins with the roadway, for inspection of the condition of the concrete and reinforcement bar. Preliminary results from four days of work are that the joints are in extremely good shape, with none of the damage we are checking for and perhaps fearing. Drainage across the joints will be improved when deck and road are restored, to alleviate future water pooling that might compromise the joint. Work on the single lane Bayview Place bridge this Tuesday will entail intermittent closures—notices are being hand delivered to affected residences today.

4) Replacement of the failed timber wingwall and reinforcement of the sloughing bank at the southwest corner of the Lions Bay Ave. bridge on Harvey Creek will be wrapping up today, with railings to be installed atop the new wall in due course. Bridge connoisseurs remark what a nice bridge it is, especially with a new wingwall, and quite a unique design: the deck rides on two piers in the creek with ends cantilevered in thin air (as opposed to all those common girder bridges sitting on abutments on the banks).

5) More fruit of the SCADA upgrades budget is instrumentation at the Kelvin Grove Control Room for real-time residual chlorine monitoring at that end of the water distribution network. Knowing drinking water chlorine here allows us to confidently dose chlorine at the start, in this case at the Harvey Treatment Plant. Canadian drinking water standards require a minimum chlorine residual throughout a water system of 0.2 parts per million. Until now we have had a single weekday-only hand sample to rely on, and to be on the safe side have typically injected chlorine at the treatment plant to produce a starting chlorine concentration of 0.9 – 1.2 ppm. Safe yes, but detectable by sensitive users, especially closer to the plants. Now that we have real-time chlorine measurement we always know how much is consumed, so with regulatory approval we are starting to reduce chlorine at the Harvey Plant, adjusting for incoming water quality particularly when turbidity is expected in Harvey Creek. This may only be fascinating to water geeks, but as far as our users go, we'd be interested to know at **feedback@lionsbay.ca** if users on the Harvey system--south of Alberta Creek plus Timbertop, Bayview Pl. and all of Isleview--are conscious of less chlorine in the water. The Magnesia Plant distribution system is in line for a chlorine measurement endpoint at Brunswick Beach and then we'll be in position to start tightening up chlorine there too. Watch for a mockup of the instrumentation cabinet in the next few weeks. A third station is slated for the north end of Lions Bay Ave, to cover water that travels a long way from the Harvey Plant to get there.

PUBLIC EDUCATION & OUTREACH PROGRAM



FireSmart Home Assessments:

Lions Bay Fire Rescue has partnered with Frontera Forest Solutions through a wildfire grant to offer free home assessments to the community, conducted by our local FireSmart representative.

Our FireSmart representatives are available to assess your home's wildfire risk using the Home Ignition Zone model. They will provide recommendations on changes that can significantly reduce the risk of structure ignition.

These assessments are completely confidential and offered at no cost. To inquire about scheduling your free home assessment, please contact us at:

lbfradmin@lionsbay.ca

Thank you for helping make our community safer!



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Special Meeting of Council - March 24, 2025 at 12:00 pm

Regular Meeting of Council - April 15, 2025 at 6:00pm

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Climate Action Committee Meeting - March 25, 2025 at 6:00pm

Committee of the Whole Meeting - April 1, 2025 at 6:00pm

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.









Calling all Lions Bay Grade 12's! The Curly Stewart Scholarship has been increased to $1,500.

This award honours the life and public service of Lions Bay's first mayor, Allan M. "Curly" Stewart, who served from 1971 – 1981. It is the Village's official scholarship and is separate from the other Foundation. Students may therefore apply to both. Criteria for applicants are outlined in the application form.

How to apply:
1) Complete the **online application form**
2) Submit sealed reference letters and/or hard copy application to the Village Office in person no later than 4p.m. on May 7th.
3) PLEASE WRITE "FOR ATTENTION: CURLY STEWART SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE" ON THE ENVELOPE to make sure the committee receives your information.



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, additional privately funded scholarships are being administered by the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation. The Rafe Mair Scholarship and The Rudy Luethy Scholarship may 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 4 pm Tuesday, May 6th, 2025 for the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation, Rafe Mair and Rudy Luethy scholarships. Students ~ complete your applications early and seek your applicable reference letters now.

Graduate Celebration 2025
Attention: All graduates and families….
Save the Date
Wednesday, May 21, 2025 7pm
Broughton Hall

Scholarship Application Form HERE

How to avoid Window Strikes

There's nothing sadder than that dreaded thud of a bird hitting a window. Birds can't see glass or they see reflected trees and greenery and think they're flying into a landscape. We need to give birds visual cues that a barrier is present.

During nesting season, birds are particularly active and strikes are more frequent. If you're having this problem, we have samples of window products and simple DIY tricks to prevent strikes. email us and we'll drop some off for you: **lionsbaybirdfriendly@gmail.com**.

For more on preventing window strikes, click here.

www.lionsbaybirdfriendly.ca



Our migratory birds, including tiny Rufous Hummingbirds, are returning to Lions Bay. Stop for a second and think about their incredible journeys over thousands of miles to make it back… for such small creatures, these long trips are truly one of nature's miracles.

Did you know that nearly all songbirds and even some shorebirds and waterfowl migrate at night? One of the greatest dangers they face is the ever-increasing presence of artificial lights during their journeys. Birds are attracted to- and disoriented by lights, which can lead to collisions and other serious dangers. But we can each take a few simple steps to reduce the impact of light pollution on birds, for example:

Direct all outdoor lighting downward. Place lights to illuminate only the floor or the ground and use lighting shields to prevent light shining into the sky.

Turn off lights by 10pm during bird migration seasons (April – May and August –

September). It is particularly important to take these measures as early in the evening as possible, because birds begin their nocturnal migrations at dusk during spring and fall migration periods.

Reduce the amount of light outside your home or place of business. Turn off all non-essential nighttime lights. For essential lights, such as security lighting, use timers or motion detectors to keep usage to a minimum. And always use the minimum wattage necessary for the task at hand.

Change the color of your lights from cool to warm. Studies suggest that green and blue light attracts more nocturnally migrating birds than red, orange, or yellow light. Use light bulbs that emit warm lighting to minimize disturbance to birds (less than 3,000K).

Share the message to "dim the lights for birds at night." Speak to family and friends and share these messages to increase awareness of this important issue.

Click here to read more about how we can each do our part to protect our birds. You can also join us on Facebook.



Lions Bay Events Committee

Bringing our Community Together

Join Our Event Planning Team!

We're busy planning exciting community events for the year, and we need passionate volunteers to help make them a success!
We're looking for individuals to take the lead in key areas, including:
Sponsorship Leader – Help connect with local businesses and secure sponsorships.
Games & Activities Leader – Plan and oversee fun activities for kids and families.
Whether it's our Easter Event, Trivia Night, Summer Festival, or other community gatherings, your support can make a big difference! Interested?
Contact us to get involved at **lionsbayevents@gmail.com**

Let's work together to create amazing events for our community! It takes a village!

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- Encourage friends and neighbours to **subscribe** to the weekly Village Update and the official **Facebook page** as a regular source of official municipal information.
- View Council and Committee **meeting calendars**, **agendas and meeting minutes**
- See local air quality on our **real-time air quality map**
- See **Real-time air temperature**
- Click here for **curbside solid waste timeslots**. Compostable and landfill garbage drop-off is available at the Public Works Yard, 5 Tidewater Way, Fridays 6-8 am and Saturdays 8-11 am.

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

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