

April 5, 2019



Village Update

Your Weekly News & Updates

Updates from Mayor and Council

From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

Something I should have done earlier is to have recognized former Mayor Karl Buhr for his success in getting Lions Bay exempted from the Speculation Tax. His tenacity and MLA Jordan Sturdy's walking the halls of the Legislature resulted in the Village being one of the few Metro areas in the Province that is not participating in this cash grab. All of us thank you both.

A hearty Village welcome is extended to Nicole and Carl Lund, and their two sons Alex and Noah. They are the excited new owners of 52 Brunswick Beach Road. It has been a long-time dream of theirs to live in Lions Bay and become part of our Community. The property noted is the waterfront lot that was sold to them by the Village. Sale proceeds go to our Treasury with the aim of building up our infrastructure war chest.

Always an out of the box thinker, Councillor Cunliffe has outdone herself in making arrangements to celebrate Volunteer Week in a unique Lions Bay way. Her update follows so please read on and save the date. I look forward to seeing everyone next

Thursday at 5 PM at Lions Bay Beach Park (weather permitting – Broughton Hall as backup).

Then there is the Events Committee (EC). What can you say about the leadership of Noelene Searle-Valleau and her cadre of EC executive when it comes to making a difference for all of us? We have a grant application outstanding which envisages greatly rejuvenating Lions Bay beach park. Our success in obtaining the grant won't be known until the Fall. Taking matters into their own hands now, the EC is hosting the Seaside Soiree to fundraise for improvements. Please read on as details of the June 27th event follow. Mary and I have tickets #1 and #2. Get yours now as tickets are limited, for what will be the premier event of the Summer.

With a new lease pending sign off with CN, work will begin soon to upgrade the Lions Bay beach parking lot which we're hoping will see new signage, black topping, painting, etc. completed by the May long week end.

Kudos to Councillor Abbott who, with the assistance of staff, originated, executed, compiled, and concisely synthesized the wood burning appliance survey. Overwhelming resident participation resulted in about 300 responses. The result is that we will be applying to Metro, with data in hand, requesting an exemption for Lions Bay from legislation which would restrict the use of wood burning appliances.

To name a few, topics to be covered in articles you can expect to see over the next couple of months are:

- Harvey Creek water tank replacement
- Fire prevention & water conservation practices
- A proposed new electric car charging station
- Lions Bay School
- Parking and Bylaw enforcement
- Filming Policy

Regards,

Ron

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VOLUNTEERS ~ The Spirit of our Community

When I was tasked with taking on a Volunteer Appreciation Celebration, I thought it would be nice to outline the benefits of volunteerism, both to individuals and communities. I quickly realized that in our community, I would be preaching to the choir! Preliminary investigation into how many volunteer groups and committees, both past and present, yielded remarkable results... 39 and counting. [Volunteer Scotland](#) sums it up best.

Benefits of volunteering:

- Gain confidence;
- Make a difference;
- Meet people - volunteering can help you meet different kinds of people and make new friends;
- Be part of a community;
- Learn new skills;
- Take on a challenge;
- Have fun!

For more information on the benefits of volunteering, click [here](#).

While there is no doubt that volunteering is good for communities, historically in Lions Bay it was out of necessity. With limited resources, our Village relied on the

dedication of its residents for trail maintenance, emergency response, governance, and landscaping to name a few. As the Village has grown, some of these volunteer groups have evolved into positions that are covered by Village staff, but many have not. It is these residents that we wish to honour at this year's Volunteer Appreciation Celebration.

Click [here](#) to view the invitation to the Volunteer Appreciation Party on April 11!

Please RSVP to office@lionsbay.ca if you plan to attend.

Regards,
Councillor Jaime Cunliffe

From the desk of Councillor Abbott

Thank-you again to everyone who participated in our **“Have your say”** request. In the end we had over 300 responses. All were read and considered in my recommendations, presented to council at Tuesday’s meeting. It is available on the website or [here](#). There was a clear desire for us to request we be excluded from this bylaw in line with other similar municipalities who are outside the [Urban Containment Boundary \(UCB\)](#). In fact, depending on how the data was compiled, between 86% and 88% of residents requested this. We’ll be submitting this request to Metro in the next week or so. We also heard 5 other reoccurring themes resulting in calls to action namely, investigate the option of being permanently outside the UCB, review the pros and cons of being part of Metro, future revisions to our building bylaw to ensure new installations of wood burning appliances meet emission standards, ongoing education on best clean burning practices and contacting BC Hydro to explore possibilities of being excluded from 2nd tier rates.

Finally and most importantly let’s keep talking... **Have your say** on any issue via the Feedback button on our website, by emailing your council, or speaking for 2 minutes at the start of a council meeting. Please note, if you wish your email to be seen by all of council, you need to address it to all of us. Emails to single councilors or the mayor are not shared unless you specifically request so, or give permission.

Neville Abbott

Updates from the Municipality



Public Works will be conducting our annual spring watermain flushing program a little earlier than usual this year due to the impending construction of the new Harvey Creek Water Tank. Staff will attempt an accelerated flushing schedule of April 8th through to April 19th.

Flushing will take place Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 AM and 3:00 PM. Though locations and dates may change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, our intent is to adhere to the following schedule:

Bayview (Upper & Lower)/Mountain/Sunset/Timbertop/Crosscreek:	Apr 8 – Apr 12
Oceanview (inc. side streets)/Upper Kelvin Grove/Isleview:	Apr 8 – Apr 12
Brunswick Beach/Lower Lions Bay/Lower Kelvin Grove:	Apr 15 – Apr 19

The flushing of watermains is necessary to remove sediments that gradually deposit in the pipes over time. 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 on line.

The Village of Lions Bay thanks you for your co-operation during this seasonal flushing program.

Note: All meetings take place in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. The Village Office is open until 6:30 pm on Regular Council Meeting nights. Please check the Meeting Calendar for changes or cancellations.

Council and Committee Meetings

- Regular Council Meeting - April 16 at 7 pm
(3rd Reading of 2019-2023 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw)

[Meeting Calendar](#)

What's happening in the community?

Volunteer Appreciation **CELEBRATION**

Come one, come all!

All residents are invited and we encourage **NEW RESIDENTS**, or as we say in the Village, future volunteers, to join us in celebrating Volunteer Week.



Where: Lions Bay Beach Park

When: April 11th, 2019

Time: 5-9pm

**Suggested Attire: black/white
or a solid-colored shirt**

There will be food, sparkling water, juice, beer and wine provided. Please BYOC (bring your own cup) and expect a good time to be had by all!





**THE BIGGEST RECYCLING EVENT
OF THE VILLAGE
LIONS BAY GIVEAWAY WEEKEND**

STARTING SATURDAY, MAY 4TH AT 9AM
UNTIL DUSK ON SUNDAY MAY 5TH

ALL LIONS BAY VILLAGERS ARE INVITED TO HELP US KEEP OUR
UNWANTED ITEMS OUT OF THE LANDFILLS.

HOW WILL WE DO THIS?
EASY!

PUT OUT ANY UNWANTED ITEMS AT THE END OF YOUR DRIVEWAY
BETWEEN MAY 4TH AND MAY 5TH LABELED FREE (FURNITURE, SPORTS
EQUIPMENT, GARDENING TOOLS, BOOKS, TOYS, CLOTHES, TOOLS,
WOOD, APPLIANCES, ETC.).

DRIVE, WALK OR CYCLE AROUND THE VILLAGE DURING THAT WEEKEND
AND SEE WHAT KIND OF TREASURES YOU CAN FIND FOR YOURSELF!

CONTACT YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND ORGANIZE A BLOCK PARTY SOME
TIME DURING THAT WEEKEND. IT COULD BE A GREAT TIME TO 'SHOP'
AND GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER.

CONTACT HEATHER HOOD AT HOODINLIONS BAY@GMAIL.COM IF YOU
HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

****PLEASE REMIND CHILDREN NOT TO DROP WANTED BIKES +
SCOOTERS NEAR FREE SIGNS**

Lions Bay Native Plant Garden

Our native biodiversity is greatly affected by introduced plants that are invasive. Some of these introduced plants can be harmful to humans as well. Click [here](#) for more information about some invasive plants to discourage in your garden.



Seniors Social Circle

Community Social Centre Scheduled Events for April 9, 2019:

- 10:45-12:15 pm: Tai Chi and Quigong Fusion - and every Tuesday in the Hall.
- 2:00-3:00 pm: "Finding Stillness" is a group meditation experience - and every Tuesday, usually upstairs in the small lounge.
- 3:15-4:15 pm: Historical Society DVD presentation, "A Max Wyman Video Interview - Know thy Neighbour". In Council Chambers. Presented by Tony Cox.
- 12:30-5:00 pm: Join us for a "Crafternoon" in the Village Hall with crafts, coffee, cookies and conversation! All welcome (click below for more info).



For more information and other upcoming events, click [here](#).

Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation



Calling All Grade 12 Students

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation presents Scholarships to successful Grade 12 applicants from the Lions Bay community who are pursuing further education at a post-secondary institution. Applications are due by 4 pm on Tuesday, May 7, 2019. Click for: [Information and Application Form](#).

Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award



Are you a grade 12 student?

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 1971 to 1981. A \$500 scholarship is awarded annually from the trust fund, to the applicant who best exemplifies the criteria described in the official terms of reference for the award. Please see the application form below for more details.

Applications must be received by the Village Office no later than **4:00 pm on April 30, 2019.**

Application Form

Howe Sound Glass Sponge Reef Conservation Initiative

Please be aware that as of April 1, 2019, no commercial, recreational or Indigenous bottom-contact fishing activities are allowed within the areas listed [here](#). This includes fishing for:

- prawn
- shrimp
- crab
- groundfish (including halibut)

The use of downrigger gear in recreational salmon trolling is also prohibited in these areas due to the potential risk of damage to shallow reefs. For questions, please contact the [Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada](#).