

June 14, 2019



# Village Update

Your Weekly News & Updates

Updates from Mayor and Council



**The Lions Bay  
Community School**

THE JEWEL OF OUR COMMUNITY

For those of you who had the opportunity to come and check out the Lions Bay Community School Open House recently, no need to read on. For those of you who didn't, there is much to catch up on!

First order of business, if you love fresh organic produce, check out the Market Garden. Locally grown and locally loved our little learners are flexing their green thumbs and entrepreneurial skills.

Fridays at the school are Market Garden Day, if you're interested in supporting this school initiative and buying pesticide free, locally grown produce, join the Lions Bay School Market Garden Facebook group for updates during term-time and when items are available over the summer.

Last year's bounty rolled out with a gusto in August, so don't miss out!

### **Interpretive Forest Walk:**

The last article talked about the creation of this experience, now it is live! Click [here](#) to see the video.

These kids have been busy researching local flora & fauna, constructing birdhouse like shelters and honing their fine art skills in order to educate residents and visitors. By using your smart phone you can scan the QR code (no worries if you're like me and don't know how, just ask one of our primary students!) and you will have access to more in-depth information about what is happening in our local eco-system. This is beyond cool!



There have been many more events such as the well attended Salmon Release with our own Mayor McLaughlin (that's Mayor Ron to the kids), First Nations and our local Pacific Stream Keepers.

With Sports Day and the Talent Show wrapped up, the major event to look forward to is Gr. 3 Graduation. Sticking with tradition, celebrations will follow at our other community jewel, the Lions Bay Beach Park.

Until September, Happy Summer Vacay!!

Regards,

Councillor Jaime Cunliffe  
[councillor.cunliffe@lionsbay.ca](mailto:councillor.cunliffe@lionsbay.ca)

## Updates from the Municipality

### 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

The 2018 Annual Report is now available for review. It can be viewed on the Village website [here](#), or at the Village Office.

Council will consider the Annual Report at the Special Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 25 at 5:00 p.m. This is your opportunity to ask questions or provide comments on the report.



Water consumption levels continue to increase dramatically as the heat of summer begins. On Monday, Village-Wide consumption was 452,000 gallons (over 1.7 million litres). By Thursday, water consumption had increased to 582,000 gallons (over 2.2 million litres) a 29% increase!

### **PLEASE CONSERVE WATER**

Remember – during the Harvey Creek Construction Project we're operating with the much smaller 100,000-gallon Oceanview tank and that we have significantly reduced firefighting water reserves for the duration of the project. Please assist us during this

construction period by reducing your water consumption to ensure as much of the water as possible remains within the 100,000-gallon tank for firefighting purposes.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience and bear with us as we see this critical infrastructure project commence. Thanks for your patience and understanding. Please provide any feedback or comments to Public Works via email at [works@lionsbay.ca](mailto:works@lionsbay.ca).

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## TRANSIT ENHANCEMENTS & SURVEY



Beginning June 24<sup>th</sup> and running through summer to August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019, there will be additional hourly transit service to/from Lions Bay Monday through Thursday evenings, leaving Caulfeild at the top of the hour and Lions Bay at the bottom, from about 8:03 pm through 11:27 pm to complement the current Friday & Saturday evening service on the 262 Lions Bay Community Transit Bus.

In conjunction with this good news story, the Municipality is running a survey to provide an opportunity for both resident and non-resident riders, as well as non-rider residents, to provide feedback about the pending increased service, other potential service level enhancements and the Lions Bay transit service in general. Help us help you get the service you want! [Click here to take the survey.](#)

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## DEFERRING YOUR 2019 PROPERTY TAXES

Tax deferral is a low interest loan program that helps qualified B.C. homeowners pay their annual property taxes on their principal residence. Eligible home owners may apply to have the Provincial Government pay the current year's residential property taxes for their principal residence. If a home owner chooses to defer their taxes, the Municipality is paid by the Province, rather than by the homeowner. Tax deferral applications must be received at the Village Office by the July 15 tax due date or the late payment penalty will be applied. To find out more information about the Provincial Property Tax Deferral program, including eligibility requirements, visit the [Defer Your Property Taxes](#) page on the Province's website.

For those residents who already defer their property taxes, the tax deferral renewal application must also be received at the Village Office by the July 15 property tax due date or the late payment penalty will be applied. Please note that you must also claim your HOG by the July 15 due date. If you have not received your renewal notice in the mail, please contact the Province directly.

*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 & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

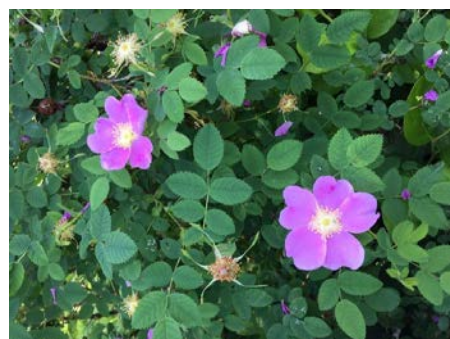
- Regular Council Meeting - June 18 at 7:00 pm

Meeting Calendar

## What's happening in the community?

### LIONS BAY NATIVE PLANT GARDEN

Beautiful spring flowers are on display at the native plant garden. Why not take a walk through and possibly get some ideas about how to incorporate our native plants into your own garden - especially some that are beneficial to pollinators! It's a great little 'field trip' for the kids too! Click [here](#) to see some of the beautiful blooms.



# SEASIDE SOIRÉE JUNE 27TH

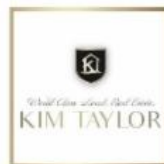
TO BENEFIT THE LIONS BAY BEACH  
FOUNDATION'S  
PLANS FOR IMPROVEMENTS

*Sponsored + presented by*

***Ken + Nicole Berry***

***Live DJ, wine + hors d'oeuvres,  
silent auction***

***Tickets \$125  
on [eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)  
(search Lions Bay Seaside Soirée)***



On June 27th, Lions Bay Events Committee will be hosting a fundraiser to benefit the Lions Bay Beach Foundation.

This cocktail party will be held at Ken and Nicole Berry's home on the waterfront, with hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer a great dj, silent auction, and an art sale featuring art from former Lions Bay resident and acclaimed artist Andrea Padavani.

The Lions Bay Beach Foundation is a Council-supported initiative to raise funds towards the much-needed beach improvements. The Lions Bay Beach is a place where the community gathers. It is the place where Village children spend much of their summers, swimming in the ocean, dashing across hot sand, playing games with their friends, and using all their senses of observation as they explore the seaside offerings. It's a place where magic happens and memories to last a lifetime are made.

Much of the infrastructure on our beloved beach is tired and decaying, and in desperate need of a refresh. Plans have been drawn up, and the time has come for Villagers to raise some money. The new play space at the beach park will be named in memory Erin Moore who loved swinging on the monkey bars and having fun family nights at the beach, making this initiative all the more special.

Events Committee is also on the lookout for volunteers for the evening. This is a great opportunity for high school students to get their volunteer hours. The jobs are all very manageable and there can be flexibility within the schedule. Please [sign up](#) and be part of the beach rejuvenation project.

Seaside Soiree Tickets

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## LIONS BAY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION



### NOTICE OF MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation will be held in Broughton Hall on 20th June 2019, at 9:00-9:30pm, following the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and Grad 12 Reception.

**All Welcome**

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### LIONS BAY COMMUNITY GARDEN

Enjoy growing your own veggies? Have you ever wanted to start a vegetable garden or need extra space to expand your own vegetable garden and don't have enough space at home? Come join us in the Lions Bay Community Garden, located in the Kelvin Grove Beach Park. Garden plots are available at \$25.00/year. For more information contact Tina Schneider at [lionsbay.gardens@gmail.com](mailto:lionsbay.gardens@gmail.com).

