

January 24, 2020



# Village Update

Your Weekly News & Updates

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## Updates from Mayor and Council

### From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

I would like to welcome new Villagers Tammy and Doug Towill who moved from North Vancouver to Isleview Place this week. They have twin daughters at university. They look forward to becoming a part of our small, close-knit Community.

#### Community News

**BC Hydro – Power Outage tomorrow.** Everyone please take a minute to understand you may be affected between 9-3 PM. I would like to thank Stuart Hood for bringing this to our CAO's notice. I asked Hydro if they would move the date but they believe the work is necessary and that it be done now. Particulars are in the email chain [here](#).

**Snow Angels** – The recent snowfall gave me the idea that we should be formalizing a program that assists the needy when it snows. The aim would be to identify who they are, identify residents prepared to assist, and have a coordinating group doing the matching. If you are interested in being part of the coordinating group please email me [here](#).

I found out that Trudi Leuthy and Chief Oliver identified individuals that needed help. The Chief involved Jean Smith, a senior member of our Fire Department, who organized work parties that cleared snow from steps as well as drive ways for several days. Community relations and involvement are dear to the Department and they always jump in and help. Chief Oliver's children Connor and Zara also pitched in which gives me the idea that future manpower can also come from our younger residents. I am sure there are many other examples of neighbourliness that I don't know about, during this stressful period.

LB Public Works, who are undermanned and still looking to fill a position, remain the best snow clearing crew in Metro Vancouver, and get special recognition and our thanks for another job well done.

**Alert system** - I have had several calls to advise how much the recent alert system and VU warnings were appreciated. We have 321 completed sign-ups on our alert system and everyone should be on this. If you are not already registered, please spend a moment to do so [here](#).

## **Council, Bylaw, Financial, Infrastructure, and Services News**

**Asset Sales** - Our realtor, Kim Taylor, has been successful in attracting offers on our KG lot which has been listed for sale for just over a year. The offers suggest the listing price of \$789K is market competitive. When the lot sells the cash received will go to our Treasury to be used for future infrastructure spending. There are two more Village owned properties that could be developed into lots. They are at the corner of Highview/Oceanview and in Brunswick on the water. As part of the recent strategic priority setting exercise, Council asked CAO DeJong to have these properties surveyed and appraised in anticipation of Council considering these asset sales when the information is at hand.

**Cell Tower** – Staff's recommendation and all background data and consultation results will be on Council's first meeting agenda in February.

**Council 2020 meeting dates** – The pattern of meeting dates has changed, so if you are concerned about getting a seat amid the throngs of your fellow residents who also want to attend the meetings, you can find the dates [here](#) and mark your calendars accordingly.

**New Municipal Coordinator** – Karla Duarte has been hired as the new Municipal Coordinator after a lengthy recruiting process. She comes to us from Vancouver Island with experience at the Town of Qualicum, the Village of Alert Bay and the City of Campbell River. She'll be supporting the CAO in the renamed position commencing in mid-February. Welcome aboard Karla! (The temporary maternity leave replacement for Administrative Assistant Shawna Driscoll closes next Friday).

### **Mayor's Activities of note**

**Metro Vancouver / Wood Burning Apparatus'** – This has been a very time-consuming item. Our recommendation is with Metro's staff. We have recommended a 7- year exemption beyond 2025 and you can find our detailed report [here](#). Metro staff will make their recommendation to the Climate Action Committee in mid-February.

**Translink** – The snowfall revealed problems with the alert system for the (262) community bus, which didn't arrive at appointed times and left some residents stranded, confused, cold, and angry. Senior Translink staff still owe me an explanation as to why there were no alerts that the shuttle wasn't coming, and we need to work with them to ensure our expectations and their delivery of service during snowfalls, mesh.

**Beach Park Renovation Grant** – We are down to the final days before the outcome of this is known. I am antsy because I know we want this one but until there is a definitive yes/no we are at a standstill on this project.

Regards,  
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**Updates from the Municipality**

## ONE-YEAR TEMPORARY FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Village Office is seeking a temporary full time Administrative Assistant for approximately one year to cover a maternity leave. Please click [here](#) to view the posting and job description. Closes January 31st.



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## REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS TO SIT ON THE CURLY STEWART MEMORIAL TRUST FUND AWARD COMMITTEE



The Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award Committee is seeking two new volunteers to sit on board. Please click [here](#) for more information and to apply.

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THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY  
IS NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR

# Citizen of the Year & Citizen of Distinction

Nominations are due by  
**MARCH 1, 2020**

Again this year, Council is looking for your suggestions for the annual Citizen of the Year/Citizen of Distinction awards. Please review the following descriptions carefully, and if you know someone in the Village who falls under this criteria, send your email to [feedback@lionsbay.ca](mailto:feedback@lionsbay.ca) by March 1, 2020 with their name and the reason you think they are deserving of the award.

## **Citizen of the Year**

The Citizen of the Year is awarded annually to an outstanding community member who contributes significant volunteer time to enhancing the quality of life in Lions Bay. This well-respected individual demonstrates extraordinary leadership and community service, inspiring others with their caring and positive attitude.

- Works respectfully with others in the spirit of cooperation
- Demonstrates a personal commitment for the benefit of the community
- Makes a difference to the lives of Villagers
- Leads by example
- Inspirational to other Villagers

*Note: Elected officials, employees and business endeavours are not eligible for this award.*

## **Citizen of Distinction**

The Citizen of Distinction is awarded periodically in recognition of a community member who, through their personal or professional efforts in society at large, have

exemplified the spirit of and brought honour and distinction to the Village of Lions Bay. This individual may have:

- performed an outstanding achievement or act
- made a lasting impact on the lives of others
- inspired others to care for one another or uplifted fellow citizens
- provided service to fellow citizens over an extended period (i.e. not focused solely on one singular event/activity)
- made a significant contribution to the future of the Village through beneficial awareness or advocacy of Lions Bay

*Note: Elected officials, employees and business endeavours are not eligible for this award.*

*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 - January 28 at 7 pm

Meeting Calendar

## What's Happening in the Community...

### REMINDER: PLANNED POWER OUTAGE NOTIFICATION



**BC Hydro**  
Power smart

BC Hydro has scheduled a power outage for equipment maintenance from 9 am to 3 pm on Saturday, January 25, 2020.

They have reminded those impacted to ensure electrical devices are turned off or unplugged to avoid damage and a reminder that garage doors may not work during the outage. For more information on this planned outage, please visit BC Hydro's [planned outages page](#) on their website.

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