



Village Update

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Updates from the Municipality



Public Works will be conducting our annual fall watermain flushing beginning on October 26, 2020. 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:

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| Bayview, Crosscreek, and Sunset..... | October 26 |
| Brunswick Beach and Timbertop..... | October 27 |
| Oceanview including all side streets..... | October 28 |
| Isleview and Kelvin Grove..... | October 29 |
| Lower Lions Bay..... | October 30 |

A detailed location map is available [HERE](#).

Over time, mineral deposits, biofilm, and sediment accumulate in watermains and can be removed by the high-velocity flushing of watermains. Using a diffuser which allow a high velocity of water to be flushed while dampening flow, Public Works will sequentially flush watermains from one fire hydrant to another in order to scour the watermain and remove the mineral deposits, biofilm, and sediment. 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. For information, questions or concerns, please contact Public Works at 604-921-9833 or works@lionsbay.ca.



OCTOBER 24 ELECTION – LIST OF CANDIDATES

[Learn More →](#)

Lions Bay residents can vote in the **Broughton Hall** on Saturday, **October 24th** from **8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** For information regarding mail-in voting and locations for early voting opportunities, see www.electionsbc.ca.

THANK YOU LIONS BAY

Our Flu Clinic was a huge success.

224 People came to this year's Flu Clinic.

A 500% increase over last year.

Thanks for braving the weather and line-up to help keep our community safe. Special **THANK YOU** to **Mai from Bay Pharmacy**. We couldn't have done it without you. Big shout out and huge thanks to our volunteer team: *Louis Peterson - Chair, Carole Conlin, John Phillips, Pippa Phillips Carlotta Castelon, Cecilia Haas, Kirsten Reid.*



Village of Lions Bay Seniors Social Circle



BAT WEEK – GO TO BAT FOR BATS!

As Halloween approaches and bat decorations appear, bat enthusiasts around BC are celebrating and supporting our real bats by participating in **International Bat Week (October 24-31)**. Bat Week is all about appreciating these amazing animals and their benefits, from eating insects to pollinating the agave plant used to make tequila.

Often feared due to misconceptions and myths, bats are given a bad rap. Bats play key roles in our environment and provide many benefits to humanity. Their behaviour and adaptations help with:

Development of technology: radar, sonar, ultrasound

Medical advancements: blood clot medication, low temperature surgery

Pest control: one bat can eat over 1000 insects in a night

Pollination: bats pollinate over 500 plants worldwide

Nutrient cycling: bat guano makes a great fertilizer

Food securities: bats spread seeds of over 300 fruits worldwide



Take a moment to learn about the many ways bats contribute to our lives. Find out what you can do locally for bats, at www.batweek.org, or through the BC Community Bat Program at www.bcbats.ca. There are many ways you can participate and support bats: host an educational event, help restore a wetland, garden for bats, learn about bat-friendly lighting, or prepare your bat box for next spring.

“Bats in BC help control agricultural and forest pests, as well as mosquitoes in our yards - but now bats need our help” says Danielle Dagenais, Regional Coordinator for the BC Community Bat Program, Metro Vancouver-Squamish area. *“The conservation of bats in BC has always been important, since over half the species in this province are considered at risk. With the continuing spread of White-nose Syndrome in Washington State, bat conservation is more important than ever as we expect to see impacts in BC in the near future.”*



BatWeek is also the time to say ‘so long’ to bats in our neighbourhoods, until the return of insects with the warmer weather in spring. As insect-eaters, our BC bats must leave their summer roost sites and migrate or hibernate to survive the winter. This absence means that this is the time of year to do home renovations that you have delayed due to bat presence. You can clean out and repair a bat box, or do bat-friendly exclusion work, without disturbing or injuring bats.

If you do see a bat in winter, please report it. Monitoring for White-nose Syndrome in BC will continue this winter, with Community Bat Programs requesting reports of dead bats or sightings of winter bat activity starting just after BatWeek, on November 1 at www.bcbats.ca, vancouver@bcbats.ca, or 1-855-922-2287 ext. 11.



In partnership with the BC Ministry of Environment, and funded by the Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation, Forest Enhancement Society of BC, Habitat Stewardship Program, the BC Community Bat Program provides information about bats in buildings, provides information and assessments of bat boxes, coordinates the pickup of dead bats, and offers educational programs on bats.

1. Protecting bogs, wetlands and streams ensures that threatened bat populations have the habitats they need. Photo of a local bog by D Dagenais
2. *Myotis lucifugus*, Little Brown Myotis: the Little Brown Myotis is common and widespread across BC but endangered in Canada and expected to decline in BC due to WNS. Photo: Greg Michalowski.
3. Bat box built by Girl Guides and installed in partnership with the City of Coquitlam and local bat organizations in a local park. Photo: John Saremba



Celebrate less socially Trick-or-Treat locally!

The BC Centre for Disease Control is reminding you to prepare for a less social Halloween by:

- Skipping Halloween parties this year
- Trick or treating in small groups, respect physical distancing and avoid crowding doorways
- Getting creative in making space when handing out treats - use tongs or a poster tube.
- Wear a mask
- Wash your hands and use hand sanitizer often
- Leave a lit or decorated pumpkin prominently at the end of the driveway if you wish to participate in Trick or Treating

If you do not wish to participate, are at home sick or self-isolating, remember to turn off your porch light. People are encouraged to respect homes by staying away if the lights are out.

For more information visit: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseasesconditions/covid-19/social-interactions/halloween>.

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Infrastructure Committee Meeting - October 29, 2020 at 7pm**
- **Regular Council Meeting - November 17, 2020 at 7pm**

Meeting Calendar

Note: We are changing the way we do Council meetings to meet physical distancing requirements. Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found here. We thank you for your patience as we learn new ways of conducting Council meetings and navigate through new technologies.

Public Viewing Etiquette

- *Public participation is still available on Zoom, during the Public Participation section of the agenda. Please read the instructions*
- *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

It is still possible to attend meetings in-person but please be advised that seating is limited to five (5) seats maximum for the general public in order to meet physical distancing in Council Chambers, and will be offered on a first come, first served basis. Local governments are now required to collect the first and last names and telephone number, or email address of every person who attends a local government meeting or public hearing in-person.



A MESSAGE FROM CN POLICE

CN Police officers are spreading a rail safety message in Lions Bay. Last year in North America, there were over 3,400 collisions with trains, resulting in over 2,200 serious injuries or fatalities. Rail safety is a core value at CN and CN Police wants to be a part of the effort to minimize the risk of accidents related to winter driving.

This winter, chances are that people in Lions Bay will face some challenging driving conditions. Freezing rain, snow, sleet and whiteouts can make winter driving downright dangerous. According to the *Federal Railroad Administration*, there is a spike in railway crossing incidents during the winter months. Reducing the likelihood of being in a serious car accident at a railway crossing in winter starts with proper planning and knowing some rail-safety basics.

“Safety is a core value at CN and we want to take every opportunity to raise awareness on safe behaviour around rail. It is our job to make sure that the population of Lions Bay knows that the risk of being involved in a railway-crossing incident is higher during winter months. It is important for CN Police officers to engage the population on the dangers related to a railway incident. We want everyone to Be Rail Smart; Stop. Look. Listen. Live.”

Safety tips for winter driving:

- Check the weather forecast before travelling.
- Reduce speed: when road conditions are poor, it takes longer to stop.
- When approaching railway crossings, turn off your radio and heating fans so you can listen for trains.
- Look for railway warning signs and signals and remember that snow may cover train tracks at a crossing.
- Use winter tires.
- Do not drive impaired: exhaustion, alcohol, and drugs such as marijuana reduce your ability to pay attention, react quickly, and make safe driving choices.
- Stalls or stuck vehicles must be left behind. Once safe, immediately notify emergency responders by calling 911.
- Be rail-smart this winter: Stop. Look. Listen. Live

For additional safety tips or other information regarding rail safety or CN Police, follow this link: <https://www.cn.ca/en/safety/cn-police-service/>

What's Happening in Lions Bay

HALLOWEEN NIGHT IN LIONS BAY

PEROGI FOOD TRUCK
AT BEACH PARKING LOT 4:30-7:30 PM
PLEASE REMEMBER TO SOCIALLY DISTANCE AND
KEEP EVERYONE FEELING SAFE



Jack'o Lantern Contest. Drop a Jack O Lantern at beach parking lot between 4pm- 4:30 pm to enter. Prizes to be won!

More details on a haunted beach tour for kids to follow

Thank you to the Lions Bay Fire Department for their support!



2021 Lions Bay 50th Anniversary Calendar Call for Photos

Lions Bay Arts is beginning work on the 2021 Lions Bay Commemorative Calendar to celebrate Lions Bay's 50th Anniversary as a Village. *Find out how you can sponsor the calendar below!*

As this is a 50th Anniversary commemorative calendar would welcome photos of Lions Bay history and events as well as photos depicting the beauty and vibrancy of Lions Bay.

If you have old photos that you wish to submit, we can scan them to convert to digital format. Current photos need to be landscape format, with at least 1MB of resolution. You may submit as many photos as you like. We will be selecting more photos for this calendar as we will have a number of months that include a collage of photos. If you are including photos which depict people, we will require a release in order to publish in the Calendar.

Deadline for photo submission is October 31, 2020.

Please submit your digital photos to calendar@lionsbayarts.ca or contact us for photos that need scanning at info@lionsbayarts.ca.

Calendar Sponsorship *Help support Art & Culture in Lions Bay*

Each year we have offered an opportunity to promote your personal favourite day in our calendar. \$50 will secure your date for this year's special 50th anniversary of Lions Bay calendar. *All proceeds from calendar sponsorship go toward funding our ArtSpark! Children's programming and other Lions Bay Arts events within our community.*

Email us at info@lionsbayarts.ca to secure your personal calendar date and help support art and culture in Lions Bay.

We've long supported local initiatives but have been looking for something everyone can get behind.

The Fire Department is an institution that the Village is proud of and grateful for. After the cancellation of Fire Fighters Day and reading the Fire Chief's recent Village Update we have moved to set up an on-going sponsorship of the #LBVFD.

We are excited to announce our long-term charity sponsorship with the Lions Bay Volunteer Fire Department. They keep us all safe so we owe them our gratitude.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020 A PORTION OF EVERY DOLLAR SPENT AT THE LIONS
BAY
LIQUOR STORE WILL BE DONATED TO THE LBVFD.
YOU'VE SUPPORTED US AND WE'LL SUPPORT THEM!!**