



Village Update

News from the Municipality

Mayor's Message



Hello Lions Bay, and Happy Mothers Day weekend!

We have a new family to the Village. On behalf of all of us I welcome Catalina Lopez-Correa and Maria Adelaida Escobar Trujillo. Take a minute to find out about your new neighbor [\(here\)](#) and why they chose Lions Bay to move to.

New to the Administration family is CAO Peter DeJong's new puppy, Suka. She is a fast growing Shepherd/Lab/Pyrenees.

Two families are grieving. I offer them condolences from all of us.

- Tony and Val Cox mourn the passing of their son David.
 - Louis Peterson recalls David as a cub scout [\(here.\)](#)
 - Elaine Dehoney remembers David fondly [\(here\)](#) as their baby sitter.
- The Tai Chi group advise of the passing of one of their members, Victor Colotla [\(here.\)](#)

Leaving the Village are multi generational residents of Brunswick, the Gates family. Siblings Anne, Janet, Rodd, and Margit say goodbye. They share a lot about their family [\(here\)](#) and have sent along a lot of family photos.

The prestigious Capilano University teaching excellence award has been given to resident Danielle Wills [\(here.\)](#)

The 2021 Budget and the Capital Expenditure plan [\(here\)](#), and the 5-Year Financial Plan [\(here\)](#) are now in effect. The Budget has a 3% general property

tax increase to balance our operational needs. A 10% Infrastructure Levy continued for a 3rd year. Council remained focused on upgrading our infrastructure. The fully loaded Capital Expenditure Plan is \$5.53 million if we win 3 outstanding grants (LB Beach Park Rejuvenation - \$1.07 million, Bayview Road Drainage and Water Improvement Project - \$2.26 million, and the Emergency Building Expansion - \$499K.) Other large items are Road Repairs - \$125K, High Priority Bridge Repairs - \$177K, and three new Pressure Reducing Valves - \$700K. The major item in our 5-Year Plan is the projected sale of our PW Yard in 2023 at an estimated value of several millions.

Like last year at this time, the PHO has asked everyone to stay at home. In my view, whether it be Health Orders or parking signs, no amount of messaging is successful unless you are inclined to abide by it. Digital and fixed signs abound asking everyone to "Stay at Home." As we have no authority to turn people away, and it is not the RCMP's intention to, visitors will continue to come to the Village regardless that parking is finite. Increased Bylaw Officer coverage and \$195 parking infraction tickets have not proven to be a deterrent. At times this results in chaos caused by our visitors.

Our 2021 Parking Plan is set with some minor tweaking expected and a good deal more signage on the way. Essentially, we have identified as many safe places as possible to park that we can. I am continually asked why visitors can't park in the Brunswick Pit area. The Province has no interest in this. They are the owner and are adamant about restricting access to the area. The process to relocate our PW Yard there has been difficult. You can imagine how a parking discussion might go.

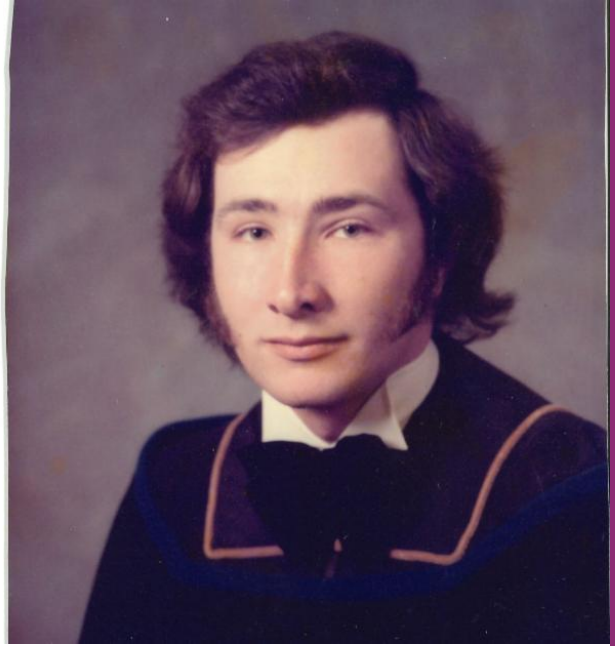
I tour the Village regularly and see the problems and receive pictures of the same from residents continually. It bothers me greatly to say that we are unable to provide more safe parking, and that visitors can make the lives of those affected miserable.

At UBC in 1972 a 20-year-old guy was instantly smitten by an 18-year-old girl he had just met. She thought he was interesting but needed some rough edges smoothed over. It turned out he was the one for her too. They were married on May 8, 1976, built their first home in Lions Bay in 1979, and had 3 sons. Happy 45th wedding anniversary Mary! The moment I met you was the luckiest day of my life.

My contact information is at your fingertips if you wish to speak to me on a matter that concerns you.

Stay well and let's keep standing strong together,

Ron
604 921 7138
Mayor.McLaughlin@LionsBay.ca





Mary and Ron McLaughlin (top), Catalina, Maria and Luna (2nd left), Suka (2nd right), Frank Gates Jr., Anne Gates, James Edwards, Merna Gates, Frank Gates Sr. 1960 (3rd left), Frank and Merna Gates 1963 (3rd left); Glenn Gates - send off for retirement of Royal Hudson Conductor Frank Smith 1982 (3rd right); Annmarie Gates - Accepting the "Lions Bay Citizens of the Year 2016" award on behalf of Lions Bay Library Volunteers (4th left); Annmarie Gates - Lions Bay Library (4th right); Annmarie and Glenn Gates (5th left)

An Update from the Trailblazers



All of us who have been working on our trail system this Spring are thrilled at the support we have been getting.

First we received a \$500 grant from the West Vancouver Foundation which helped to pay for the 4 new benches that Andrew Wray has just completed. Two are on the Centennial Trail at the Eagleview Loop and Reflection Point. The one

on the Eagleview Loop arrived in the nick of time for people to be able to sit and watch the mother on the nest with her two hatchlings. The other two are on the new Sanctuary Trail, which was created to give people an opportunity to sit in the forest close to home, amid huge first growth cedars and fir, by the side of the same creek that runs through Erin's Enchanted Forest.

The new interpretive signs produced and put in position by our former Mayor Karl Buhr are another welcome addition..

We were delighted to receive a generous donation by Ian Maxwell, which has been very useful for buying some new equipment for our volunteers.

Our daughter Alison was pleased to get such a great response to her Adopt a Trail initiative where many families and groups signed up for. They have committed themselves to maintaining our trail system during the peak growing season.

Our last big surprise was when Barbara San Severino kindly donated one of her magnificent paintings of Howe Sound in winter, which will be auctioned off at the village store in the near future.

In closing I can't say enough about the support we have received from the Village Works Department who have gone out of their way to help us with supplies and picking up equipment. We couldn't have built all the new boardwalks without their cooperation.

John



May 2 – 8, 2021

Emergency Preparedness Week

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Evacuating the Village: What you need to know

With the hot, dry summers of recent years as well as the potential for winter emergencies, residents have been asking what to expect if the worst happens and we need to evacuate part or all our Village. By way of starting to understand what might be expected of each of us, look for a brochure in your mailbox that will include the following information:

1. How you'll receive an evacuation alert
2. Which routes you may need to use, including roads and trails, and where the marshalling points would be
3. [How to be ready for an evacuation](#), including preparing a grab-and-go bag

When you receive it, please keep a copy of the map and brochure with your grab-and-go bag.

The most important thing you should do **RIGHT NOW** is to sign up for [Lions Bay Alert](#). It's the fastest, surest way to receive emergency notices wherever you are. If your details have changed, [please update them now](#).

Physically unable to walk out on a trail or no longer driving? In most emergencies, we'd be evacuating by car. But if roads are impassable, we might need to walk to marshalling points via the trails. If you would be unable to walk out of the Village via a trail, or no longer drive, you can include this kind of information directly into your secure profile on Lions Bay Alert under "Extra Medical Info". If you need help signing up or adding extra information, please call the office at (604) 921-9333.

Volunteer to help in our Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) in an emergency. This team will begin setting up the EOC for incoming staff if an emergency is declared. They may also help staff the EOC during operations in various ways. Training will be provided. This is a great way to help our community when help will be most needed.

We also need volunteers for our Emergency Support Services (ESS) team. These volunteers are trained to respond to help those needing food, clothing and shelter in an emergency. No special skills needed... another perfect

opportunity to give back to our community when it matters most.

For more information or to volunteer for either of the above, please email Fred Bain at Councillor.Bain@lionsbay.ca.

Today's information is intended to make us all more aware and prepared. In an emergency, you will receive information and directions specific to the situation. At such times, please follow the instructions of emergency personnel on the ground or via Lions Bay Alert messages primarily. This is why it's so important to sign up for [Lions Bay Alert NOW](#).

Look out for other ways to be prepared every day in simple – but important – ways next week. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Councillor Neville Abbott at councillor.abbott@lionsbay.ca or Councillor Fred Bain at councillor.bain@lionsbay.ca. More information can be found on our [website](#).

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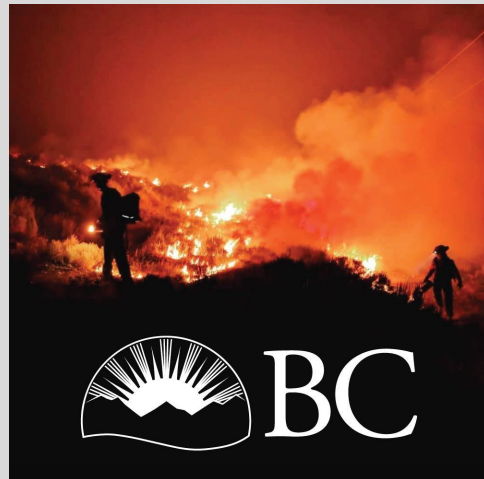
Fire Chief Andrew Oliver

Lions Bay Search and Rescue Manager Ed Langford

GET THE BC WILDFIRE APP!

The key features of the mobile app include:

- Interactive Wildfire map that offers the same features available through the [B.C. Wildfire Dashboard](#)
- current fire danger ratings
- active fires and fires that have been declared “out”
- open burning prohibitions (including campfire bans)
- area restrictions, evacuation alerts and evacuation orders
- current wildfire statistics and wildfire perimeters
- boundaries of B.C.'s six regional fire centres
- BC Parks closures and recreation site closures
- wildfire search tool (search by active fire name, fire number or location)
- Drive BC events (for example, advisories and closures)
- “Near Me” functionality for wildfire information from within a 50-kilometre radius of current location
- Latest informational tweets directly from the [@BCGovFireInfo](#) Twitter feed
- Latest advisories (related to open burning bans and prohibitions, area restrictions, evacuation alerts and evacuation orders)
- Fire reporting tool



[For more information click here!](#)

Download now:

Android: The BC Wildfire Service mobile app can be downloaded at Google Play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=ca.bc.gov.WildfireInformation&hl=en>

Apple (IOS): The BC Wildfire Service mobile app can be downloaded from the App Store: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/bc-wildfire-service/id1477675008?ls=1>



Metro Vancouver Residential Wood Burning Bylaw Phase 1 - May 15, 2021

To reduce emissions from residential indoor wood burning, the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Board adopted [Metro Vancouver Regional District Residential Indoor Wood Burning Emission Regulation Bylaw 1303](#), 2020. This bylaw is intended to reduce impacts to health and the environment of residential wood smoke. Users of indoor wood burning appliances are required to use best burning practices when operating their appliance (see [Schedule B](#)).

Beginning May 15, 2021, there will be a prohibition on using indoor wood burning appliances during the warm season (May to September).

From 2022, users who reside in Metro Vancouver's Urban Containment Boundary ([UCB Map](#)) will be required to register their appliance with Metro Vancouver. To qualify for registration, the appliance must generally meet performance standards to ensure emissions are low. From 2025 (2032 for Lions Bay), unregistered appliances will not be able to operate, except during emergencies.

[Learn more here](#)



Anti-Racism
Network



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End Racism and Hate: Your Right. Your Responsibility.

The Village of Lions Bay has a representative on the North Shore Community Spoke - Resilience BC initiative, Lena Cuthbertson. The Resilience BC Anti-Racism Network operates in more than 50 communities across the province. Resilience BC Anti-Racism Network is bringing communities together to do the hard work and make the vision of a future free from racism a reality.

To learn more, find your community network, report a hate crime or find anti-racism tools, [click here](#).

The City of Burnaby has proclaimed May 10th as [Day of Action Against Anti-Asian Racism](#) after seeing a 350% spike in hate crimes. This has no place in our community either and if you hear of a hate crime, don't forget to report it on the [Hate Has No Place in BC website](#)



**Village of Lions Bay
Temporary Labourer
(6 – 9 months)**

The Village of Lions Bay Public Works Department has ONE (1) opening for a Temporary Full-Time Public Works Labourer for a period between 6 and 9 months. In this role, you will perform duties related to the operation and maintenance of our parks and open spaces, buildings and facilities, water treatment and distribution, wastewater collection and treatment, and roads and transportation systems. We are looking for candidates with municipal experience, drive, and determination to contribute to our dedicated team.

Please view the entire job description and details on how to apply here:
<https://civicinfo.bc.ca/careers?jobid=61599>

Deadline to apply: May 21, 2021. *Please note: Suitable candidates may be offered employment prior to the closing date.*

NEW HOMEOWNER GRANT PROCESS



Home Owner Grant Process 2021:

As of 2021, Municipalities will no longer be accepting applications for home owner grants. All applications will now be made through the Province.

[Learn More Here](#)

B.C. homeowners can have questions about the program answered and get help applying with a call centre agent at 1 888 355-2700 (toll-free), Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Pacific time), excluding statutory holidays.



Council & Committee Meetings

- **Climate Action Committee Meeting, May 13 @ 7pm**
- **Regular Council Meeting, May 25 @ 7pm**

Note: We have changed 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](#).

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.

As per the current Provincial Health Order, no public can attend any Council or Committee meetings in person until the Order is rescinded or changed.

What's Happening in Lions Bay



Howe Sound Art Challenge



To celebrate World Oceans Day, students from K-12 are invited to submit artwork with the theme: **Ocean Life**.

Prizes

The winning artwork from each grade will receive a cash prize of \$50, and will be featured in a special edition 2022 calendar. Students will also receive a free copy of the published calendar (value \$30).

Winners will be announced at the World Oceans Day - Life in Howe Sound event, on Tuesday 8th June 2021.

Accepted Artwork Formats

Artwork can use any medium or combination of media (traditional or digital).

Artwork Dimensions: 11 inches wide by 8.5 inches high

Artwork Resolution: a minimum of 4,400 x 3,400 pixel (jpg, png, svg)

Deadline

Upload your artwork by 9:00 pm, **Sunday 30th May, 2021**.

www.myseatosky.org/art-challenge



A message from Translink:

**You shared your
vision for the future.
Now we're sharing
ideas that'll get
us there.**



Have your say at transport2050.ca

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Help shape the future of how we move and live!

TransLink has launched Transport 2050 Phase 2 engagement. From April 19 – May 14, share your input on draft goals and three transformative actions: people-first streets, next-generation rapid transit, and automated vehicles. Visit transport2050.ca

About Transport 2050

TransLink is leading the development of Transport 2050, the region's next 30-year transportation strategy. As part of their largest-ever public engagement, they want to involve the region in a discussion about the future of transportation. Whether you walk, bike, roll, take transit, or drive, Transport 2050 will impact how you move.

Engage with us in Phase 2

During Phase 1 in 2019, the region shared its values and ideas for the future of transportation. Now in Phase 2, they're proposing draft goals and three actions that could help transform the region:

- People-first streets that invite walking, biking, and rolling
- Fast and frequent rapid transit that's a competitive choice for most longer trips
- Automated vehicles that provide convenient access to car trips, without adding to congestion

For more information, see the [Discussion Guide](#).

Do you live in Howe Sound / Átl'ka7tsem or have you visited this area before?

Do you care about the Sound's ocean or freshwater and want to inform regional decision-making and education?

If so, we would like to hear from you!

You are invited to participate in an online survey (20-40 minutes) that asks about why the Sound's ocean is important to you, which areas you feel support economic, ecological, social, and cultural values, and what your perception of regional stewardship, management, and pressures to ocean health are.

[Click here to access the survey](#)

This survey is part of a study on Howe Sound/Átl'ka7tsem's aquatic values, which is being conducted by researchers at the University of British Columbia (Fiona Beaty graduate student and Dr. Christopher Harley, principal investigator) in partnership with the Howe Sound/Átl'ka7tsem Marine Reference Guide and the Squamish Nation. Átl'ka7tsem is one of three Squamish Nation place names for Howe Sound.

For more information on this study, please contact Fiona Beaty at beaty@zoology.ubc.ca. The survey will be available during May 2021.



Join the Conversation: Help Shape Solid Waste Policy in Metro Vancouver

Metro Vancouver is responsible for waste reduction, recycling planning, and the operation of a series of solid waste facilities in the region. Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan is due for an update. This long-range plan guides the management of solid waste and recyclable materials in the region including key goals, targets and strategies.

Your voice matters

Help shape the public engagement process. Let Metro know how and how often you'd like to hear from them, and what information you would need from them to provide feedback on solid waste management topics and issues.

To learn more or provide feedback visit their engagement [web page](#) to learn more about this project and complete our 3-minute pre-engagement [questionnaire](#). **The questionnaire closes May 28, 2021.**