

Friday, May 25, 2018

From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

You may be wondering what's happening with our \$2.7 mil. grant-funded water infrastructure project. Delays and design changes meant that we were going to be very tight on the original completion deadline of Mar. 31, 2018, but through deft political maneuvering (begging, that is), the deadline was extended to Mar. 31, 2019 and the project re-tendered with new delivery. To everyone's chagrin, the sole resulting bid came in unacceptably high (how high we do not say, for future competition reasons), and the project was killed as-was. With the input of the Infrastructure Committee, the municipality is now investigating whether the 80s-era 400,000 gallon Harvey Tank can in fact be renovated, rather than replaced. Its original paper as-builts have been found (I'm picturing the Raiders of the Lost Ark warehouse scene), and submersible remotely operated vehicles are involved. Depending on what's recommended there, the project will be re-retendered, perhaps in smaller bite-size pieces to interest smaller, local, specialist contractors. All the other bells and whistles (I believe there literally are some) are up in the air too. Problem is, with huge federal infrastructure grant dollars sloshing around these days, contractors can pick and choose. The work is not nice-to-have for Lions Bay, it's must-have. So stay tuned: the federally-designed signs are going up one day soon, at least.

2018 tax statements, 2018/19 Annual Parking Permit decals and sundry other literature will be in the mail shortly. The new tamper-evident Annual Parking Permits

replace the old resident permits. Yes, they are more obvious than days of yore, but that's so the Bylaw Officers can finally see them. You can put them on now, valid through July 2019. They go on the outside bottom left of the rear window. Staff are concerned that people won't understand that if the permit is not in the right place they are liable to enforcement, so have asked me to emphasize that the only valid location is the outside bottom left rear window. Why? So that Bylaw Officers have only one place to look for the resident test. Rear, because that's how cars park in the lots. Left, so that it can be seen from the right-hand lane of the road. Outside, to not mess with defog tracing. How about on the dash, Karl? Nope. On the front window? No. On the bumper? Not on the bumper. Outside bottom left rear window. If someone covets your decal (finding out too late that it's tamper-evident), bring in what's left for free replacement. Why tamper-evident? Survey input was that peelable decals walked off, even mounted inside. Not locking the car may have had something to do with that, but we also wanted to reduce decals being available to unqualified users. The strategic goal here is to meet the parking needs of residents while accommodating exploding visitor numbers. Permit zones are for residents and their guests (who get a Day Permit from the resident). Who knew a new parking decal could be so complex.

As to further parking provisions for this summer, there are some, but other than mentioning new signage, I won't list them because their timing is uncertain. I ask for patience for a 4th summer of hoped-for changes. BTW, if you don't intend to ever park in permit zones (Lions Bay Ave., Sunset hiking trailhead, Kelvin Grove Beach and nearby feeder streets), no need to mount the Annual Parking Permit - 90 percent of Lions Bay is non-Permit. Or, use a Daily Pass. OTOH, the Annual Permit allows parking in the Kelvin Grove Beach and Sunset hiking pay zones.

Regards,
Karl Buhr (mayor.buhr@lionsbay.ca)



Pay Parking Has Returned

The 2016 Parking Survey showed there's a strong desire to be more welcoming to visitors by increasing parking opportunities. To that end the Municipality conducted a

Pay Parking trial last year at the Lions Bay Beach Park lot, the Kelvin Grove Beach Park lot, and the Sunset Trailhead lot. The program was generally successful and returns this year with a few tweaks to improve results.

While we are waiting for CN approval of continued metering and use of the Lions Bay Beach Park lot before proceeding with improvements to the lot such as fencing, drainage and repaving, the meter at that location will be bagged and not in operation. Note that trailers are no longer permitted in the Lions Bay Beach Park lot. The meters at the Kelvin Grove Beach lot and the Sunset Trailhead lot have been installed and are in operation as of today. Once again, residents can use their Permits to park for free at Kelvin Grove and Sunset Trailhead.

New parking signage for locations throughout the Village was ordered and has arrived, to be installed over the next few weeks along with straightening and cleaning of old signs. This effort is aimed at increased clarity and consistency in our signage; inconsistent or superfluous signage will be removed. Residents are reminded to ensure that they have a valid permit displayed if they are parked in a Permit Only zone. Please see the Mayor's Message regarding new initiatives in this area as well.

Reminder: never park in cul-de-sacs. They are all "No Parking" zones and must be kept clear to enable our fire trucks to maneuver in them if required. As always, thank you for your cooperation.



Per the Village of <u>Lions Bay Outdoor Water Use Bylaw No. 484, 2015</u>, municipal water use conservation level 1 will begin on June 1st and run through to September 30th. Residents are asked to review the bylaw for details on what is and is not permissible.

Despite the unseasonably wet weather this spring, water restrictions are intended to curb demand, which always increases in the summer when we get the least amount of rain and surface supply decreases.

As part of Stage 1 of the water restrictions, residents are only allowed to water the lawns - either by sprinkler or by handheld hose - on alternating days and between certain hours:

Residential Addresses

- * Even numbered addresses: Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. only.
- * Odd numbered addresses: Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday from 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. only.

Remember to install spring-loaded shut off nozzles on all your outdoor hoses and consider getting a rain barrel - a demonstration barrel is set up outside the Village Office.

For some great information and tips read the Waterwise Lawn Care brochure.

Waterwise Lawn Care Brochure



It's that time of year when residents are doing some spring gardening and cleaning of yards and consequently a larger volume of yard waste is being generated. WCS is committed to collecting all your yard organics but would like to remind you of 3 key requirements:

- 1. Yard material must be bagged or bundled (no loose piles)
- 2. Large pieces must be cut down to less than 3 feet long
- 3. Each bag, bundle, or bin placed at the curb must be less than 20kg

Also, please remember to flatten all cardboard put out for recycling. Larger volumes of cardboard are acceptable but please assist us by flattening and bundling it with string or placing it in a clear bag.

LIONS BAY ARTS - BANNER CONTEST

LAST CALL!

Last chance to submit your entry for this year's banner contest. \$500 Honorarium for the winning entry and a chance to beautify Lions Bay. Everyone is welcome to participate. For more information call 604-921-2520 or email: info@lionsbayartscouncil.org.

Click on the link below for detailed information.



BANNER CONTEST

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings take place in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. The Village Office is open until 6:30pm on Regular Council Meeting nights.

- Infrastructure Committee May 28, 2018 at 7:00 pm
- Trees, Views and Landscapes Committee June 1, 2018 at 9:30 am (249 Bayview Road)

Note: please check the <u>Village website calendar</u> for meeting schedule changes or cancellations.

Trudi's Trail Walk, BBQ & Slug Races

Saturday, May 26th, 4-6pm



Please join us for this fun, informal, family-friendly event to raise funds for the 2nd Syrian refugee family sponsored by "It Takes a Village Lions Bay"

Details:

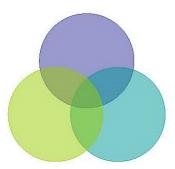
- Meet at the Sunset Drive Trudi's Trailhead at 4pm (near 160 Sunset Drive, Lions Bay). Please walk or park on Mountain Drive.
- Hike the trail at a leisurely pace.
- Join everyone back at the cul-de-sac for BBQ sausages & veggie dogs.
- Pick up a slug en route (gently!) and bring it back to the <u>cul</u> de sac for kids' slug races. Prizes and fame for Lions Bay's fastest slugs!
- Optional: Please bring an <u>appie</u> or salad to share if you wish.
 Sausages, veggie dogs & drinks will be provided.

BBQ and drinks by donation

All funds raised will be donated to the Omar family, sponsored by "It Takes & Village Lions Bay," to help them with their living expenses during their final 3 months of sponsorship between June and August, 2018.

Please RSVP so we can plan for numbers.

SENIORS SOCIAL CIRCLE



SSC Notepad #1: The Final Concert of the Pro Nova Ensemble in the 2017/2018 Series takes place on Sunday May 27th (Mt Seymour United Church) and on Wednesday May 30th (Silk Purse, W. Van). Start time 7:30 both venues. Admission by donation; see www.pronova.ca.

SSC Notepad #2: The 2018/2019 Kay Meek Arts Season is on line and has an "early bird" discount option until available until June 1st 2018. See www.kaymeek.com or call 604-981-6335.

SSC Notepad #3: Coming soon! A Lions Bay Community Activities Common Room - a day when the Hall and other smaller rooms will be available for a variety of "mini" community activities. What would YOU like so see happen - chairobics, cards & table games, films, slide shows, wise discussion groups, book club, etc, etc (preceded by tea of course!)??? The SSC would be delighted to have your input: lpeterso@sfu.ca.



DANCE ON: "CEILIDH" is coming to Lions Bay on Saturday June 30th 2018! Mark your calendars now! The SSC is very pleased to bring you a Ceilidh of music, Scottish Dancing (complete with caller), plus cash bar and appetizers to start the Canada Day long weekend in festive style. Ticket information coming soon.

See what's happening on our social sites:







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