



Village Update

Friday, September 14, 2018

From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

A successful short week at the Union of BC Municipalities convention in Whistler. Despite some debate, Lions Bay's motion to request the Province to pilot Average Speed Over Distance technology as a BC highway safety measure passed on the convention floor (cavernous hall, 1000+ delegates coming and going, nervous mayor with a downhome speech). The day before, alongside ever-helpful Squamish peeps, I had met on the same topic with the Minister of Public Safety, who is supportive. If you're wondering now what this is all about, the current iteration of our briefing document is [here](#). We move closer toward addressing Lions Bay's excessive accident rates and debilitating noise.

Also at UBCM, at multiple receptions and in hallway chats, I saw yet again that there are a lot of well-meaning volunteer politicians in this province, doing their best for their communities, despite an unsustainable governance and funding model. I was impressed to see the current government's Ministers and Premier just hanging out in the evenings, canapes in hand, having real conversations with all-comers. I was quite proud of BC. I was however not surprised to find that the real power, ministry staff (sharp suits, eyes on the prize) and big city politicians (staff of their own, a living wage), cannot fathom that BC municipalities below critical mass might not actually be satisfied being second-class communities slowly going backwards. Notwithstanding my retirement from local politics, I will be making it my business to point out the error of their ways, advocating for new governance and a better funding paradigm for small

municipalities, which are just as important to their residents as any. Nicely of course, having picked up some political skills along the way (easy, on a zero base).

The final [Style Guide](#) and [Content Guide](#) for Phase 1 of the community signage project are ready. Council would appreciate your input in time for our meeting this Tuesday. With that agenda having closed yesterday, please send comments direct to council@lionsbay.ca, copy to feedback@lionsbay.ca, or just click [here](#), from whence they will enter the record as on-table submissions.

And now, the moment we've all been waiting for. With finalisation of this piece deliberately delayed until close of municipal election nominations at 4 pm today, here's what's happening. As the only nomination for Mayor, our Ron McLaughlin is expected to be acclaimed as Mayor at the close of the challenge period at 4 pm on Monday, September 24. Preliminary congratulations, Your Worship. With four nominations for four Councillor seats, Neville Abbott, Norm Barmeier, Fred Bain and Jaime Cunliffe are expected to be acclaimed as Councillors at the close of the challenge period too. If anyone drops out before, well, it'll get interesting, but preliminary congratulations too, Councillors. Inauguration of Council for the upcoming four-year term is planned for the regular Council meeting of Nov. 6, 7:00 pm.

Viva Lions Bay!

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



The Lions Bay Beach Park Advisory Committee (LBBPAC) was established to explore opportunities for improvements at Lions Bay Beach Park. Through a series of meetings and resident consultation via a survey, the LBBPAC prepared recommendations for improvements to the beach park. For more information on the Committee and their recommendations, and to view and provide feedback on the Draft Concept Plan, visit our website by clicking [HERE](#) and view the billboard at the beach park if you go for a walk.

LIONS BAY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION



The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation is most appreciative and grateful to Peak Golf for being chosen as this year's recipient of their charitable donation from the proceeds of the 2018 Lions Bay Community Annual Golf Tournament. Many thanks to Roger Cosgrave and Tanya Gienger-Cosgrave. Please see the Peak Golf advertisement below for details:

2018 LIONS BAY GOLF DAY
Sunday September 16th
Squamish Valley Golf Club



- ✓ 18 Hole Option \$115 (Tee times starting at 1:30pm)
- ✓ 9 Hole Option \$95 (Tee times starting at 3:00pm)
- ✓ Dinner and Prizes @ 7:00pm

To enter or for
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roger@peakgolf.ca



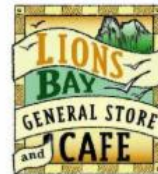
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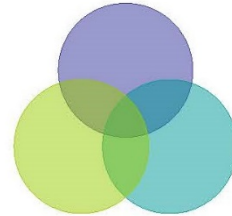
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SENIORS SOCIAL CIRCLE

Community Day in the Hall

Hello Community, The SSC received a grant to initiate a new community program - a "Community Day in the Hall" - when residents will be able to drop in to participate in a group activity of their choice, to lighten the wet days of Fall and Winter. The Hall and upstairs common rooms will be available for various simultaneous activities, from about 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. Some suggestions have been made ([click here](#) for details), but more ideas are welcome. Start up day is September 25th for discussion and planning.



***Please note the time change to 9:00 am**

The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup is a national conservation program that provides Canadians the opportunity to take action in their communities wherever water meets land, one bit of trash at a time.

Lions Bay's Shoreline Cleanup event is scheduled for Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the Lions Bay Beach Park.

Come join in this inspiring event and make a positive contribution to our community's shoreline.

For details and to RSVP please visit: <https://www.shorelinecleanup.ca/cleanups/1ljqv>

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.

- Regular Council Meeting - September 18, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Note: please check the [Village website calendar](#) for meeting schedule changes or cancellations.

See what's happening on our social sites:



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