



Village Update

March 4, 2022

News from the Municipality



Council is looking for nominations for the annual Citizen of the Year & Citizen of Distinction awards.

Please review the criteria below to nominate a Citizen by sending an email to office@lionsbay.ca by March 10th. Please include 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

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

Elected officials, municipal employees and business endeavours are not eligible for the awards.



The 2022 Utility Notices were mailed out earlier this week. In order to receive the Prompt Payment Discount, your utilities must be paid by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 31st. If you do not receive your Utility Notice, please contact the Village Office.

Two Resident Parking Permits were enclosed with your Utility Notice . The new two year permit replaces the current “green” permit that expires March 31, 2022. Additional permits can be purchased by Lions Bay residents at the Village Office for \$40 each.

The notice (for single family houses) includes a Secondary Suite Declaration. The declaration must be completed by all single family property owners and returned to the Village Office. The declaration can also be [completed online on our website](#).

Online Services:

Residents are now able to access information regarding their utility notices and property taxes through the online service portal. The [portal](#) can be found under the Financial Services section of the Village website.

To set up your account, all you need is an email address, your account number and the online access code that you will find under your civic address on the front of your utility notice.

Once set up, you will be able to add accounts and view and pay any outstanding bills with a credit card. Please be aware that a processing fee is applied to the payment by a third party provider.

If you have any questions, please email accounting@lionsbay.ca.



Water Tank Cleaning and Inspections

Public Works will be inspecting and cleaning the potable water tanks in the Village beginning the week of March 7th. First up is an inspection of the new 512,000-gallon Harvey Tank. This inspection is a requirement of our warranty period. To save water and return the tank to service as quickly as possible, a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) will conduct the interior inspection on Tuesday, March 8, 2022. Once the inspection is done, Public Works will sample the water and test for contamination before returning the tank back into service on Thursday.

Please conserve water between Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

While the Harvey Tank is being inspected and then tested, the Village will be receiving water from the much smaller 100,000-gallon Magnesia Tank. Residents are asked to be mindful of their water use during this 48-hour period as a precautionary measure to help keep as much water in the Magnesia Creek Tank reserved for firefighting purposes.

The Magnesia Creek and Highway tanks will be cleaned and inspected next. Divers will enter the tanks and manually clean the side walls and floors of each tank. During the cleaning process, the tanks will be isolated from the system and the whole of the Village will receive its water from the Harvey Creek system. Once the tanks have been tested and cleared, they will be reconnected to the system.

Some residents may notice a change in pressure during this process – please understand that this is temporary and will return to normal once all the tanks are back in service. Please accept our apologies in advance and bear with us as we complete this maintenance program.

Please provide any feedback or comments to Public Works via email at works@lionsbay.ca.



RODENTICIDES ARE KILLING OUR WILDLIFE

Rodenticides disrupt the natural food chain of our ecosystem. Second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (SGARs) work by thinning the blood and cause the animal to internally bleed to death. A single feeding of an SGAR potentially contains enough poison to kill a rodent; however, it takes a few days to happen, and in the meantime, they continue to feed on the poison – increasing the concentration in their systems. While in their weakened state, rodents become easy prey for predators – who in turn become secondary victims of the SGAR. And it doesn't stop there, many studies have been published that show a wide variety of species contain traces of rodenticides, not just birds of prey. Foxes, bobcats, cougars, coyotes, racoons, skunks, and even pet cats and dogs can contain traces.

A single raptor is capable of eating more than a thousand rodents in one year! Isn't it ironic that in our attempt to keep rodents from our homes and businesses, we're destroying the most natural solution to the rodent problem?

With this in mind, in July 2021 the [Province restricted the use of rodenticides](#) in BC to protect wildlife. At Tuesday's Council meeting, Lions Bay's [Pesticide Control Bylaw No. 430 \(2010\)](#) was updated to include the restriction in compliance with the ministerial order.

You can help – stop poisoning their food supply! Visit the [BCSPCA](#) to learn more and learn how to [Rodent Proof](#) your home.



NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: March 15th at 6:00 p.m.*

****Closed agenda at 6 pm and Open agenda at 7pm***

View the Council/Committee Calendar, Agendas, Videos and Minutes
here!

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. Attendees will have two minutes to speak on a matter in the agenda.
- 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.

What's Happening in Lions Bay



**NEXT TUESDAY
REGISTER NOW!!**

All Lions Bay **Grads** of 2022 and their **parents** are invited to a Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation presentation:

Scholarship Application Workshop ~ (Online) ~

Tuesday, March 8th, 2022
7 pm to 8 pm
Via Zoom

How to prepare a successful scholarship application
Criteria for success
Q & A

Email michael.broughton@telus.net

to **confirm your attendance and receive the Zoom Link.**

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