



# Village Update

June 2, 2023

## Mayor's Message

### **Interim CFO/CAO departs**

Thank you, Ron Miller, for filling in as Interim CFO/CAO to May 30th, 2023. Ron, who accepted a short-term part-time CFO position to assist us to get our Budget completed, graciously accepted the role of Interim CAO/CFO when our Interim CAO was unable to continue. Ron will now continue his planned retirement.

### **Mayor Assumes CEO Position Pending Council Appointment of a New CAO**

As Mayor and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) per Provincial legislation, Lions Bay's Provincial Advisor Randy Diehl has confirmed that I will fulfill the appropriate duties of a CEO by providing a liaison between operations and council, providing guidance, support, and direction to staff to ensure the operations continue in as effective a manner as possible. My first two days in the office have been a productive time, I'm impressed with the staff capability, tone, and service orientation.

### **Building Inspector**

Mike Jury has completed his training and will be filling this very crucial role of building inspector. Following the hiring of Mr. Jury by our former Interim CAO and the successful completion of his training courses, the final step in the process as confirmed by our Provincial Advisors, is for council to officially appoint the building inspector at the next council meeting.

### **Provincial Advisor Governance Workshop**

Our provincial advisors Randy Diehl and Deanna Campbell will be conducting a workshop on Governance this Sunday June 4th with our council and mayor. The Governance Workshop will take a full day and its main focus is to provide an opportunity to reflect on what are the Best Practices, how have we done things in the past, what needs to change to not only meet the legal requirements of Local Government but to also make improvements on how Council currently does business within itself, with staff and most importantly, with the residents.

### **Water Restrictions**

The Village is proactively dealing with water issues, as we go to level 1 today. Please see yesterday's VU for further details.

### **Tony Cox**

June 1st was a special day on our Lions Bay Calendar, Tony Cox, 33 years Chairing our Historical Society, 25 years Charter Chairing our Tree Committee and Seniors Advocate, Citizen of the Year, 2011, and all-round amazing resident turned 90. Happy Birthday Tony!

### Anniversary of D-Day

June 6th is the anniversary of D-Day, and as you pass the Chevalier 'Sir' Norman Kirby Garden in front of the Village office, please quietly notice the fresh flowers that will be there on June 6th and think of the incredible sacrifices made for our freedom.

Sincerely,  
Ken Berry, Mayor  
Village of Lions Bay

## UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



The Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council (SSISC) 2023 program has begun and residents are likely to see SSISC staff attending to invasive plants in Lions Bay. Targets for this year's program include herbicide control of giant hogweed and tansy ragwort, as well as mechanical control of yellow-flag Iris in Lions Bay. To learn more about the program click [here](#).

# Highly Toxic Plant Warning!

## Spurge Laurel

### Highly Toxic!

- All parts of Spurge Laurel are poisonous
- Contains sap that causes skin rashes and blistering

### Key ID features

- Rhododendron-like leaves that are dark green, shiny, smooth and thick
- Small clusters of fragrant pale green-yellow flowers
- Purple-black berries
- Stems are fragrant once cut



### What to do: Lions Bay

- Spurge Laurel is to be contained to Lions Bay to avoid its spread further north
- Talk to your landscaping company about removing it or go to [www.ssisc.ca/spurgelaurel](http://www.ssisc.ca/spurgelaurel)



D Hanna



V George



B Brett



[www.ssisc.ca/spurgelaurel](http://www.ssisc.ca/spurgelaurel)



# Everyday Chores Make Everyday Heroes

Safely storing  
combustibles could  
save your home  
from wildfire.



LINK

## COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

**June 6, 2023 at 6:00pm\***

**\*Closed session will begin at 6:00pm followed by the public meeting at 7:00pm**

**View the Council and Committee Schedule, Agendas, & 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 any matter at the beginning of the meeting*
- *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

### You're invited!

**WHAT:** Coffee session with Ellie Lamb, a bear behaviour and communications educator. Ellie has been taking guests into BC forests for almost 30 years to learn about bears and has beautiful video footage to illustrate bear behaviour and encounters she's had. There'll be time for questions and discussion. Learn more about Ellie [in this short video](#).

**WHERE:** Council chamber.

**WHEN:** Sunday, June 4th at 9.30am for 10. Tea and coffee will be served.

Please note this session is geared for adults, teens also welcome.



**SUNDAY!!**

**ELLIE LAMB**

BEAR BEHAVIOUR  
COMMUNICATIONS EDUCATOR



**Sunday morning coffee session:  
LB Bear Smart invites you  
to come & learn more about bear behaviour.  
Sunday, June 4th, 9.30 for 10 in the Council Chamber.**



## **An Invitation to all Lions Bay Grade 12 students and parents**

Please join us for a:  
**Reception for Graduates and their families**  
**Monday, June 5th, 2023 from 7 pm to 8 pm**  
**at Broughton Hall**  
**Refreshments and Brief Presentations**

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation Board members are delighted to Celebrate our Lions Bay Graduates and their Families. Please join us for a reception to celebrate and honour the Lions Bay Graduates of 2023.

*Please RSVP at your earliest convenience to help us plan for this evening*

RSVP



## **Gardening for Beauty and Habitat Vitality**

Please join us at the Mary Comber Miles Indigenous Plant Garden on June 17th from 10:30 am to noon for a fun and informative event highlighting how to support native biodiversity by planting for pollinators. We are part of the David Suzuki Foundation's **Butterflyway Project** and we are excited to let you know about this upcoming event.



The aim of the event is to encourage the planting of native wildflowers that support local bees, butterflies and other pollinators. Insects are in decline and every patch of wildflowers, big and small, can help bring them back! Our goal is to help establish at least a dozen pollinator-friendly gardens in Lions Bay for the village to be officially recognized as a Butterflyway.

To kick off the event, Master Gardener Jane Sherrott, who gardens at the Ambleside Pollinator Garden with a group of volunteers, will give a short presentation about how to plant for four seasons of bloom. Jane will discuss current research identifying plants that support the highest number and widest range of pollinators. Following Jane's presentation, you will learn some cool facts about some of our native bees, an important part of the 'pollinator crew'. Free native plants will be available for you to take home to grow your own Butterflyway patch. And you can snack on delicious baked treats!

You can find more details about the Butterflyway Project and a map of other Butterflyways at [www.davidsuzuki.org/butterflyway](http://www.davidsuzuki.org/butterflyway).

We hope to see you at the event on June 17th!  
Val Morton and Hana Boye, Butterflyway Rangers

This project is thanks in part to grants from the Village of Lions Bay and the Neighbourhood Small Grant program at the West Vancouver Foundation.



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SATURDAY JULY 1ST



**LIONS BAY BEACH PARK**

MUSIC - KIDS ACTIVITIES  
FOOD TRUCKS - FIREWORKS

**SAVE THE DATE**

Planning is underway for our Canada Day Party!  
Saturday July 1st (starting in the afternoon)  
More details coming soon.

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# Save the date!

**July 15th**  
Saturday

Come make our  
**Beach**  
better for birds!



**BIRD FRIENDLY  
CITY**  
LIONS BAY, BC  
CERTIFIED BY NATURE CANADA

**LIONS BAY BEACH**  
10:30 am - 12:30 pm

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