



Village Update

February 16, 2024

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



During the Regular Council Meeting on October 17, 2023, Council passed a [resolution](#) to request an exemption from the Provincial Speculation and Vacancy Tax from the Province of British Columbia.

Please refer to the [letter](#) that was sent to the Minister of Finance, Province of British Columbia.

FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Dates to Watch For...

- ⇒ Dog Tag early payment discount - February 29, 2024.
- ⇒ 2024 Utility Notices, TBA.
- ⇒ Property Taxes, will be issued no less than 6 weeks prior to due date of July 14, 2024.

Ways to Pay...

- ◇ In person via cheque, cash, or debit*.
 - ◇ Credit Card** payments via the Village website: <https://www.lionsbay.ca/services/financial-services/online-services>.
 - ◇ Through your financial institution.
- * Be sure to check your own daily limits.
** Service fees will apply.

Filling the Gap...

It is legislated by the Province of BC that any monies owing to a municipality on December 31, of each year become taxes in arrears. Balances get rolled over into your tax account at the beginning of the new year.

Some people received a courtesy letter informing them of the balance on their account, as of January 31, 2024. It is not a request for payment.

Good News...

RBC is now set up as a vendor to accept Village Tax and Utility Payments.

On the Horizon...

Watch for our weekly updates. Have a question you want to share? Please email us below.

Any Questions, please call or email: 604-921-9333 ext. 1004 or accounting@lionsbay.ca



Lions Bay Fire Rescue is in search of Volunteer Firefighters

Become a part of the team – submit your application today!
Visit the Recruitment Process page by clicking [HERE](#).

To find out what the time commitment looks like or what's involved in being a volunteer firefighter, please reach out to the Fire Chief, Barret Germscheid at firechief@lionsbay.ca.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: JOIN EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES

Are you passionate about making a positive impact in times of crisis? Emergency Support Services (ESS) is currently seeking dedicated and compassionate individuals to join our team of volunteers.

Make a Difference - Your time and effort can directly impact the lives of people facing emergencies. By volunteering with ESS, you become a source of comfort and assistance during challenging moments.

If you are ready to make a positive impact in your community, we invite you to join Emergency Support Services as a volunteer. Email epc@lionsbay.ca to learn more about the process.



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

February 20, 2024 at 6:00p.m*

*Closed session will begin at 6:00p.m followed by the public meeting at 7:00p.m

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Lions Bay Beach Park Advisory Committee - February 21, 2024 at 6:00p.m

Climate Action Committee - February 26, 2024 at 7:00p.m

Committee of the Whole - February 27, 2024 at 6:00p.m

Infrastructure Committee - March 21, 2024 at 6:00p.m

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

View the Council and Committee Schedules, 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 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.



You are Invited To Attend

Berenice LeBoutillier's

Celebration of Life Gathering Tribute

Monday, February 19th, 2024 ~ 1 pm to 3 pm

Broughton Hall ~ Refreshments

All are Welcome to Attend

Please join us to Celebrate Berenice's story, as Lions Bay's eldest community member at age 102 ~ a Pioneer of Lions Bay.

Berenice was a beloved Lions Bay icon, and has been a phenomenal mentor both gracious, and straightforward, she had a profound impact on Lions Bay life, through the decades.



If you wish, please wear a toque and a sweater in honour of Berenice.

“COME OUT AND HAVE YOUR SAY!”

Highway Noise & Safety Task Force Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 22nd, 2024; **Time:** 6:30pm to 7:30pm; **Place:** Council Chambers



“Opportunity for Residents to Provide Recommendations to Council”

“COME OUT AND HAVE YOUR SAY!”

Parking Task Force Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 22nd, 2024; **Time:** 7:30pm to 8:30pm; **Place:** Council Chambers



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Bird Friendly Coffee Session

What's happening
in the Biosphere this year?

**Sunday, February 25th @ 10 - noon
in the Council chamber**

Guest speaker: Ruth Simons
Short film by Bob Turner, Bowen Island
Bird Friendly Coffee, tea & treats will be served
Greetings cards on sale
Draw prizes!



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If you have any questions, comments, or concerns pertaining to the Village Update, please email epost@lionsbay.ca

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