



Village Update

March 22, 2024

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



The Village is seeking 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. Please include their name and the reason you think they are deserving of the award.

Please click [HERE](#) for more details...



[Village of Lions Bay Career Opportunities](#)

We are currently hiring a permanent full time Administrative Assistant.

Interim Public Works Manager Karl Buhr's temporary contract ends April 17, 2024, we are recruiting a permanent Director of Operations replacement position. Applications are invited from qualified candidates here.

Please see [LINK](#) for details!

NEW ANNUAL PARKING PASS



The new Annual Parking Pass will be mailed out with the **2024 Utility Notice** scheduled for later April. Make sure to watch for them.

SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Each household will be issued two '2' passes free of charge.
- Extra passes are \$40 each and are not pro-rated.
- Annual passes for secondary suites are the responsibility of the owner. Extra passes may need to be purchased.
- The old purple pass which expires on March 31, 2024, will be honoured until July 31, **2024**. This extended grace-period is to accommodate Canada Post delivery, as well as the new expiry date moving forward. Please take note of it.
- Lost, stolen, damaged passes may be replaced, but are subject to the \$40 replacement charge depending on the circumstances.
- Passes are intended for residents only. Proof of residency will be required when requesting passes.

Any Questions, please call or email: 604-921-9333 ext. 1000 or reception@lionsbay.ca

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

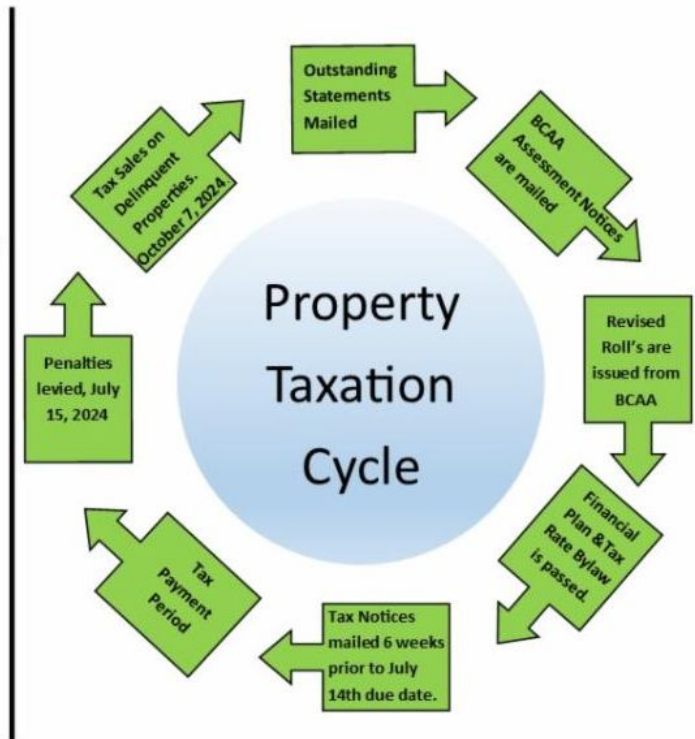
Dates to Watch For...

- ⇒ 2024 Utility Notices will be mail out end of April
- ⇒ Property Taxes, will be issued no less than 6 weeks prior to due date of July 14, 2024.

Ways to Pay...Please note changes below:

- ◇ **Cash Payments:** effective immediately, cash payments will be **limited to \$150.00 only**. The Village Office will only accept secure forms of payment.
- ◇ **Debit Card** in person (be sure to check your daily limits)
- ◇ **Credit Card**** payments via the Village website: <https://www.lionsbay.ca/services/financial-services/online-services>.
- ◇ Through your **Financial Institution**.
- ◇ **RBC** is now set up as a vendor to accept Village Tax and Utility Payments.

** Service fees will apply.



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

FROM THE YARD



Our traffic speed annunciator boards were pressed into service the last two months to count vehicles at four problematical Village intersections, Oceanview-Crosscreek, Upper Bayview-Bayview Place, Bayview-Mountain and Mountain-Sunset. ICBC's Road Improvement group came, saw and will soon deliver their *In-Service Road Safety Review* recommendations as to signage, paint and barriers. PW will also be renewing centreline and fogline (edge) markings, crosswalks and stop bars throughout the Village, as soon as weather allows. Such minimal traffic features are of course mostly intended to guide drivers unfamiliar with an area, as opposed to inconveniencing those who drive it every day.



WATER CONTINGENCIES

Residents ask us on our rounds what we're doing about water this summer. Short answer: water is the municipality's major focus. Longer answer: 2024's outlook is that snowpack will be gone very early this year and we don't know how much it will rain, but we do know that last year's summer consumption might be too much for this year. We have been doing something about it since last September, and this may be the summer that we have to utilise Level 3 conservation for only the second time since its inception. Level 3 enforces no outdoor use whatsoever, so 2024 might not be the year to plan a lot of water-hungry gardening. The Water Shortage Plan was presented to Council on Feb. 20. Additional Firefighting Reserve and Water Shortage policies have been recommended to Council. Pending Council approval of the necessary contingency budget, engineering firm Carollo is considering where any of three supply-saving/adding projects can be implemented by mid-August: replacement of the Highway Tank and 80 meters of old water main, upsizing the Magnesia Tank, or resurrecting the Alberta Intake. The municipality can currently discriminate leakage flows in four supply zones using existing metering and deduction, and is implementing further zone metering and short-term clamp-on meters to better locate leaks. We're finding one to two a week, some significant. Bottom line: with focus and cooperation.



TRAIL SIGNAGE

In preparation for coming recreational hiker use of our drinking water catchments, Public Works is following advice from our regional water partners to improve signage to advise, encourage and explain desired behaviours. We'd be happy to receive public input at works@lionsbay.ca on graphic designs for user-facing 50 X 50 cm sign designs that incorporate exactly this wording: "You are Entering a Protected Drinking Water Catchment Area. The slopes above supply human drinking water. Help keep them open for public recreation: Keep human waste away from creeks and water courses. Report all fires. Area under long range infrared and visual camera surveillance. Provincial open burning prohibition violation \$1,150, administrative penalty \$10,000, fine up to \$100,000 and/or one year in jail. Persons responsible for causing a wildfire may be ordered to pay all firefighting and associated costs (search [BC Wildfire Act and Regulation](#)." The fine print: submitted designs may or may not be used in part or in

full, no payment or royalty is offered, and ownership of all designs and ideas inure to the municipality in perpetuity, upon submittal.

UPDATES FROM THE FIRE CHIEF



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.

COMMITTEE UPDATES



We are looking for volunteers to fill many roles. Here is a list of some of the positions required.

Volunteers to be your neighbourhood captains in a new Neighbourhood Emergency Program.

Emergency Support Services (ESS) volunteers

- Criminal Records Check (free of charge for volunteers)
- 4 courses required at JIBC (paid by province)

Walk in Volunteers during emergencies

- Criminal Records Check (free of charge for volunteers)

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) volunteers

- Criminal Records Check (free of charge for volunteers)
- 4 courses required at JIBC (paid by province)

Volunteer homeowners to billet evacuated residents

- Type of accommodations will need to be assessed
- Province to provide a daily rate to homeowners when billeting evacuees

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, please email the village Emergency Program Coordinator at EPC@lionsbay.ca.



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

April 16, 2024 at 6:00pm*

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

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Committee of the Whole - March 26, 2024 at 6:00pm CANCELLED

Committee of the Whole - April 2, 2024 at 6:00pm

Climate Action Committee - April 4, 2024 at 7:00pm

Infrastructure Committee - April 18, 2024 at 6:00pm

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.



COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD
&
UPCOMING EVENTS

A dark, textured rectangular area resembling a chalkboard. The text is written in a white, hand-drawn, chalk-like font. There are small white star-like marks scattered around the text.



You're invited to



LIONS BAY EASTER CELEBRATION!



SATURDAY 30TH MARCH
1-3PM



LIONS BAY BEACH PARK OR
BROUGHTON HALL (WEATHER
PERMITTING)



HOT CHOCOLATE, BUNNY RABBITS,
EASTER EGG HUNT AND MORE!



BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE
LIONS BAY EVENTS COMMITTEE



**Bear Smart
reminder**



Common Bear Attractants

Garbage

Bears have a very keen sense of smell. It is important to store your garbage in a secure indoor location until the morning of collection.



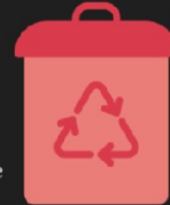
Fruit/Beehives

Pick and remove ripe and fallen fruit promptly. Protect beehives with electric fencing.



Organics and Food Waste

Freeze all odorous food scraps. Keep organic waste bins clean. Store in a secure location until the morning of collection.



Bird Feed



Suspend feeders high off the ground (using a cable) so it cannot be accessed by bears. Alternatively, remove feeders during bear season (Mar - Dec)



Recycling

Bears can be attracted to unwashed containers. Ensure all recycling is clean and rinsed of odorous residue.

Pet Food



Pets should be fed indoors and all pet food and bowls stored inside.

Open garages, doors and windows

Bears may enter an open door or window in search of food. Keep doors and windows closed when you are not in the immediate area.



www.lionsbaybearsmart.ca

Borrow a Birder Backpack!



Each Birder Backpack contains: a good pair of binoculars, suggested apps you can use to ID birds, plants & more, a field guide, quick-reference pocket guide, info on how to be Bird Friendly, and the Metro Vancouver Nature Guide which lists family-friendly events in Metro parks.



Are you passionate about arts and culture and looking for a volunteer opportunity to contribute to our Village?

Lions Bay Arts is seeking interested residents who would like to join our Board as a Director of Lions Bay Arts. We are seeking 1 to 2 directors to fill openings as we have had retirements by long-standing directors from the Board this year.

Lions Bay Arts was established in 2010 as a non-profit society, committed to the nurturing and development of arts and culture in our Village. We have over the years sponsored many community arts and cultural events including ArtScene, our Arts and Garden Festival, our annual Christmas Fair, our ArtSpark! Programs for children and youth and many cultural events showcasing talented Lions Bay authors and performers.

We are currently seeking candidates that between them have the following interests, skills and experience:

- A passion for promoting arts and cultural within our community and the Sea to Sky Corridor
- Social media savvy including website maintenance
- Basic bookkeeping skills
- Interest in volunteering to assist with events

Our Board meets about six times a year including an annual general meeting in early spring. We have a highly committed, enthusiastic team and look forward to hearing from you.

Please email info@lionsbayarts.ca with your interest and let us know what motivates you to become involved.

ArtSpark 

*Igniting & supporting
creativity in our young
aspiring artists*

Calling junior artists ages 6-10. ArtSpark! presents the return of a fan favourite: after school art with Barbara San Severino.

This series of 6 classes will run Mondays from 3:30-4:30 at Broughton Hall, beginning Monday, April 8, with a final class on Monday, May 13.

The course is \$90 for Lions Bay Arts family members, \$125 for non-members (includes lifetime family membership, so future classes will be discounted).

To save your child a spot, email robinspano@gmail.com. The class is limited to 8 kids.



EXPLORING YOUR NATUREHOOD

With artist and nature lover Vicky Earle

*Sun April 14th 2:30pm - 4pm
Village Hall*



Vicky is an accomplished artist who has a talent for inspiring a love of the tiniest details in your own back garden through observation, journaling and drawing.

LB Arts is offering this opportunity to hear her speak for free but we require registration to attend. This event is for adults and mature teens please

RSVP:
info@lionsbayarts.ca

LIONS BAY WATER, FIRE & COMMUNITY PROTECTION

ONLINE PETITION

Share your feedback:

Please click on the link [HERE](#) to read & participate in the brief petition

This petition has been organized by a group of volunteers in Lions Bay who are passionate about protecting the watershed in our community. You can contact us by email at lbparkingvolunteers@gmail.com.

The petition will be open until March 31, 2024. After this date, the list of names will be submitted to the Lions Bay Mayor and Council, MLA Sturdy, MP Weiler and the Provincial authorities to request that action be taken.



Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation CALLING ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS!

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation presents Scholarships each year to successful Grade 12 applicants from the Lions Bay Community who are pursuing further education at a post-secondary institution.

Once again this year, additional privately funded scholarships are being administered by the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation. The Rafe Mair Scholarship and The Rudy Luethy Scholarship may be applied for through this one application process. Please review the criteria carefully on the application form. Students may be eligible for more than one Scholarship.

Applications are due 4 pm Tuesday, May 7th, 2024 for the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation, Rafe Mair and Rudy Luethy scholarships. Students ~ complete your applications early and seek your applicable reference letters now.

**2024 APPLICATION
FORM**



Lions Bay Giveaway Weekend Saturday, May 18th - Monday, May 20th, 2024

Once again, please help keep waste out of our landfills by putting out any of your unwanted items at the end of your driveway marked FREE. Items can include furniture, books, sports equipment, toys, gardening equipment, building supplies...anything goes, there are no rules!!

Drive, walk or cycle around the village over the May long weekend and see what treasures you can find for yourself.

Parking regulations will still be in effect so please be mindful of where you stop to shop. Kindly remind your kids not to drop any 'wanted' bikes or scooters near FREE signs.

*Please note we cannot accommodate a village-wide pick up at the end of the weekend, it is up to owners to please put away/donate their own unwanted items.

Contact: Heather Hood - hoodinlionsbay@gmail.com

JUNO
JAZZ ALBUM
OF THE YEAR (GROUP)

THYRA MCKILLIGAN
GOLD SPONSOR

AVATAAR
JAZZ ENSEMBLE
PRESENTED BY LIONS BAY HOUSE CONCERTS
LIONS BAY VILLAGE HALL
SATURDAY, JUNE 22
7:00PM — 10:00PM

SATURDAY June22 “AVATAAR: Worldview” Jazz Concert at Lions Bay Village Hall.
SPONSORED BY Realtor Thyra McKilligan of Re/Max Masters.

AVATAAR is a Canadian world-class jazz fusion ensemble from Toronto, whose album

“Worldview” won the 2022 Juno Award for "Jazz Album of the Year – Group". Cleverly layered and cinematic in scope, **AVATAAR’s** music drives and swirls through a vast sonic palette resulting in a mesmerizing blend of rhythmic hypnotism, sonic landscapes and soaring melodies that combine ancient and modern musical sounds.

Dr. SUNDAR VISWANATHAN is joined by the “Worldview” ensemble : **Laura Swankey** (vocals), **Michael Occhipinti** (guitar), **Rich Brown**(bass), **Max Senitt** (drums) and **Ravi Nainpally** (tabla). **AVATAAR** has toured North America, Africa, Europe and will be on big jazz festival stages around Western Canada this summer. It is an honour to host them in **Lions Bay on Saturday, June 22, 2024 (7:00pm - 10:00pm)**.

[TICKET LINK
HERE](#)

View our local Air Quality at anytime: [Real-Time Air Quality Map](#)



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