



# Village Update

May 10, 2024

## UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY

Former interim Public Works Manager Karl Buhr rejoined staff this Monday, now as Director of Operations to reflect a more strategic role. He said: “The title is new, but the priority through the end of summer remains ensuring that the Village’s water consumption is always below supply. Consumption we know to the litre, but supply is less certain. We have no dam. We rely on water being in the creek just in time. With this year’s already low snowpack diminishing fast, especially this very warm week, and lower than average rainfall expected for the next six months, we are relying on long-term groundwater entering our creek channels. Will it be enough? We hope so, but see *From the Yard* below for more discussion.”

The 2022 Audited Financial Statements  
can now be viewed on the Village  
website, or you can request a copy at  
the  
Village Office

[www.lionsbay.ca](http://www.lionsbay.ca)



APPLICATIONS  
NEARLY CLOSED



THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY  
IS NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR  
CITIZEN OF THE YEAR  
&  
CITIZEN OF DISTINCTION

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](mailto:office@lionsbay.ca) by **May 16, 2024**. Please include their name and the reason you think they are deserving of the award.

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

## FROM THE YARD



Public Works has a maximum water consumption target of 300,000 US gallons per day (GPD) under Level 3 conservation this year. That's over 700 litres per person per day (l/p/d), about double the regional average, but substantially less than we consume today. At the beginning of the year, with little outdoor water use expected, we were consuming water at a 500,000-520,000 GPD rate, about 1200 l/p/d. We have no reason to believe Lions Bay consumes water differently to other communities, so take excess usage to be leakage. Dedicated readers of this column know that in the last six months PW has been on a mission to detect, locate and address that leakage. Utilizing a new clamp-on zone water meter to locate it sooner, we're making progress: yesterday's daily consumption was 316,000 GPD, almost 40 percent lower than the beginning of the year. But it's not yet 300,000 and new leaks arise all the time, so efforts continue.

Residents might like to hear that to maximize use of available water, we have now implemented direct measurement of supply just above each intake to know where we stand, and we have an outside engineering firm considering two supply augmentation projects that can be delivered before mid-August: a serpentine baffle in the Magnesia Plant tank to increase chlorine contact time, and resurrection of the Alberta Creek intake. Funding is, as always, the constraint. Bottom line, while we have contingency plans for running out of water, for example, fighting fires using shuttled non-potable water and supplying seawater in curbside barrels to flush toilets and wash dishes, we are doing all we can to prevent that. If the watermains have to be shut down, it will be weeks to months until creek supply reliably returns to allow flushing and hyperchlorination prior to bringing them online. Certainly Lions Bay should be prepared for Level 3 outdoor water use conservation, which entails NO OUTDOOR USE whatsoever. This is not the year to be considering new lawns or extensive garden projects. If (when) we need to go to Level 3, the [Outdoor Water Use Bylaw](#) will be strictly enforced—the Bylaw Enforcement Officer to do that is [being recruited now](#). The [Water Rates Bylaw](#) will also be very much in play for its measures defining waste of water. Lions Bay, for the common good, now is the time to fix indoor and

outdoor leaks, and to ensure now, while there's water to spare, that irrigation that hits nothing but vegetation because we cannot afford to be patient as in years afore.

## UPDATE FROM EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES

### Emergency Preparedness Week May 5-11, 2024



**Preparing for an unknown may seem overwhelming. Here are some tips. Choose three and make implementing them a family event.**

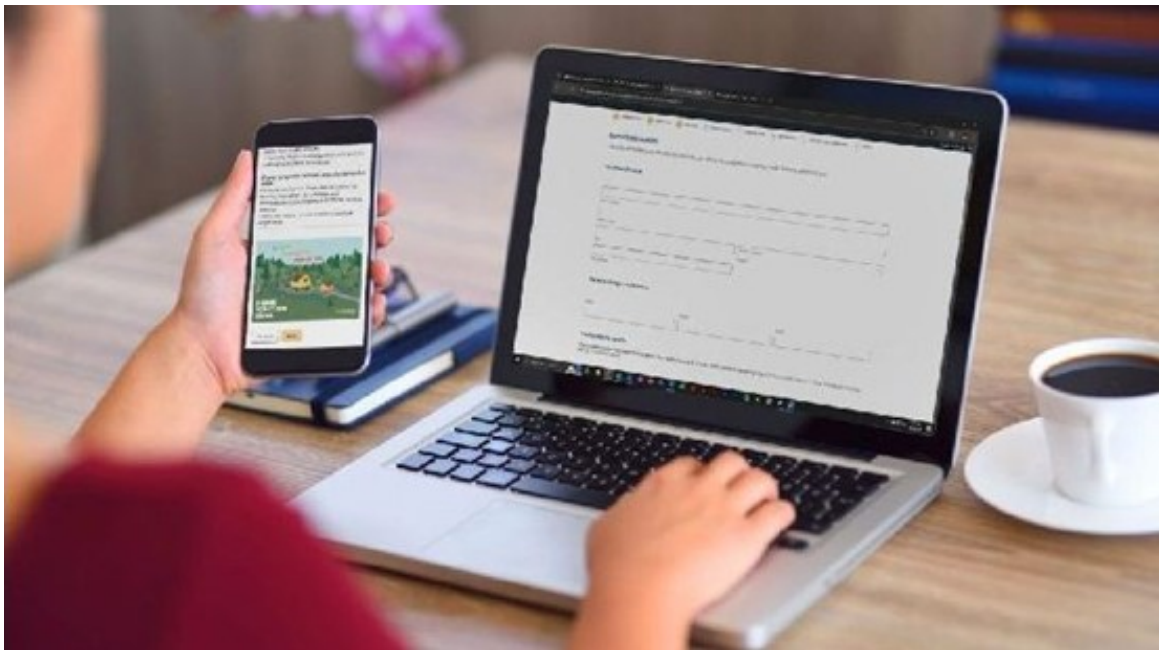
- Make your emergency plan by clicking [HERE](#)
- Pre-register for Emergency Support Services on Evacuee and Registration Assistance (ERA) [HERE](#)
- Add your insurance information to your emergency plan to ensure it's handy when you need it. You can also keep the below link handy with any insurance related questions, link: [Insurance Bureau of Canada](#)
- Know how to turn off your utilities. Make this part of your emergency plan. Make sure everyone knows how to do this.
- Have an out-of-area emergency contact who the family can touch base with if you are separated during an emergency. Make this part of your communication plan.
- Make a pet plan. Have leashes, harnesses, cages, food and medicines ready for quick access: link [HERE](#)
- Build your emergency kit (for shelter in place) and your Grab-and-Go bag (for immediate evacuations): link [HERE](#)
- Sign up for emergency messaging through the [Alertable app](#)
- Keep an old pair of shoes under each bed. If you need to evacuate your home quickly and household debris (broken glass, building material) is littering the floor, these can be use to allow you to safely move about your house.
- Save digital copies of important documents, such as birth certificates and financial records on a memory stick, or make photocopies of them. Place these in your grab-and-go bag.



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## New! Interactive Emergency Ready Planner

Home emergency planning just got easier, now that the ever-popular [PreparedBC Home Emergency Plan](#) has gone digital! Follow the prompts in the new [Emergency Ready Planner](#) and you'll receive a personalized home emergency plan, including customized resources and information based on your unique household needs. Your completed plan can be printed or saved to a mobile device, tablet or computer. Read more about how making a home emergency plan is easy on [the emergency management blog](#).



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

Please join us for a:  
**Reception for Graduates and their families**  
**Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 from 7pm to 8pm**  
**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 2024.

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

RSVP



### **NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:**

**May 21, 2024 at 6:00pm\***

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

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

**Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award Committee Meeting - May 16, 2024 at 7:00pm**

**Infrastructure Committee Meeting - May 23, 2024 at 6:00pm**

**Climate Action Committee Meeting - May 27, 2024 at 7:00pm**

**Committee of the Whole Meeting - June 4, 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

## **B**ird Friendly Community Event May 11th 9.15 - 1 in the Village Hall

### **TOMORROW!**

**10.30:** Presentation by Environment Canada about their Salish Sea Gull project, taking place around Howe Sound.

**11.30 for noon:** Hike to see our KG eagles (and hopefully eaglets) from a resident's deck for prime viewing. Bring your cameras! Binos and spotting scope will be available.

**Grab a tea/coffee/pop & hot dog and make time to check out the conservation displays by several groups.**

#### DROP-IN ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

9.15 - 1: Bug art & colouring projects

9.30 - 1: at the Bird Friendly, Bear Smart & Sea to Sky Invasives tables



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# Bear Smart 101

- Recycling must be clean when placed curbside. Smelly cans/packages will attract wildlife.
- Place waste curbside or drop off at the Works Yard in the correct time slots.
- Garbage/food waste must be in cans with tight-fitting lids.
- Freeze food waste & keep cans clean (use liners).
- By bylaw, waste must be stored in bear-proof structures at all times.



**SHEDS ARE NOT BEAR-PROOF**

Food waste and garbage must be stored in enclosures that are inaccessible to wildlife. Freeze food waste until waste collection day.



**KEEP GARAGE DOORS CLOSED UNLESS YOU'RE IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA**

Bears are quick learners. If they access an open garage and find food, they have learned that any garage, open or closed, may contain food.



**THIS CAN IS NOT BEAR-PROOF**

This green can is bear-RESISTANT, not bear-PROOF. It must be kept indoors or in a bear-proof structure.



**BE A BEAR SMART BBQ-ER!**

Barbeques and drip pans should be cleaned/burned off after each use, as grease and fat are a high calorie food source for bears.

Report all bear sightings to:  
[www.lionsbaybearsmart.ca](http://www.lionsbaybearsmart.ca)



**Bears are active: waste collection time slots remain in place.**

A check last Friday showed that some residents are not complying with the waste collection timeslots.

With bears being reported in several areas of the Village, residents are asked to make sure garbage/food waste are in cans with tight-fitting lids and recycling is clean for waste pick-up.

Works Yard drop-off is available for those who can't comply with the time slots.

Thank you to all who are doing everything possible to keep our bears out of trouble.

# WASTE COLLECTION TIME SLOTS

**7:30 – 9 am**

Bayview Place-Upper Bayview, Mountain-Timbertop-Sunset, and all streets leading off these (central Lions Bay above the highway).

**9 – 10 am**

Highview-Oceanview, Panorama, Kelvin Grove Way, and all streets leading off these.

**10 am – 1 pm**

All other neighbourhoods (lower Kelvin Grove, Brunswick, central Lions Bay below the highway, etc.).

**Works Yard drop-offs** (garbage and food waste only): 6 am – 8 am every Friday and 8 am – 11 am every Saturday



## 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](mailto:hoodinlionsbay@gmail.com)





**SATURDAY June22 “AVATAAR: Worldview”** Jazz Concert at Lions Bay Village Hall.

Experience the Toronto Jazz Collective Avataar, a tightly curated lineup of esteemed musicians and composers. Avataar invites you to join their transcendent journey through jazz-infused tunes that enthralls audiences with global rhythms and stratospherical tones that redefine the jazz experience. **“AVATAAR: Worldview”** WON a 2022 JUNO "Jazz Album of the Year – Group". See you there! Generously **SPONSORED BY** Realtor Thyra McKilligan of Re/Max Masters.

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