



Village Update

August 29, 2025

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY

From the CAO's Desk

Announcement: New Emergency Program Coordinator

We are pleased to announce that, effective July 9, 2025, Mary Brown will be undertaking the role of Emergency Program Coordinator for the Municipality. Mary steps into this important position following the departure of Phil Folkerson, and we extend our thanks to Phil for his contributions during his time with us.

The Emergency Program Coordinator plays a critical role in ensuring that the Municipality is prepared to respond effectively to emergencies and disasters of all types, whether they involve severe weather, wildfires, floods, earthquakes, or other incidents. This role provides leadership and coordination in developing and maintaining the community's emergency management program, including preparedness planning, public education, inter-agency collaboration, training, and supporting response and recovery efforts when needed.

Mary brings strong skills and dedication to this position, and we are confident that her work will continue to strengthen the Municipality's emergency preparedness and resilience.

Please join us in welcoming Mary Brown to her new role as Emergency Program Coordinator.

Grant Funding for Lions Bay Emergency Services

We are pleased to announce that in the last six months, Lions Bay Emergency Social Services has procured 3 grants for a total of \$104,000. A grant for \$40,000 has been awarded by the Province through Emergency Management and Climate Readiness for a cultural awareness education workshop.

The workshop will be open to Council, emergency workers and staff.

The second grant for \$24,000 will be used to procure supplies for LBESS. Such supplies will include a cargo trailer for reception centre materials, all weather coats for ESS volunteers

and laptop computers to allow ESS to connect to Evacuee Registration Assistance (ERA) among other items.

Lastly, a \$40,000 grant was recently received through the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund to retain the services of an expert in community evacuation planning to develop a comprehensive village evacuation plan in consultation with stakeholder.

Our grant writers were Leslie Nolin and Mary Brown. A big thank you goes out to them for the hours they donated in pursuit of these grants



Lions Bay Beach Park – Construction Schedule

The Village of Lions Bay is pleased to announce that construction on the Beach Park Washroom and Park Upgrade Project will begin in early October 2025, with completion targeted for the end of January 2026.

This project will see the replacement of the old washroom facility, improvements to patios and walkways, and the installation of new playground equipment to better serve residents and visitors. While construction fencing will be in place, access to the beach will be maintained outside of the fenced areas throughout the project.

Further progress updates will be provided through the Village newsletter.

Construction Schedule

Period

Activities

October – November 2025

- Construction fencing erected.
- Demolition of the old washroom and foundation.
- Removal of all existing playground equipment.
- Preparation of new playground area, construction of retaining wall and stairs.
- Installation of new playground equipment.

December 2025

- Installation of the foundations and superstructure for the new washroom, roof and exterior envelope.

January 2026

- Patios and walkways completed, interior finishes and fixtures installed, final inspections and commissioning.

Target Opening

- End of January 2026

We thank the community for its patience and cooperation during this important upgrade project.



UPDATES FROM THE BYLAW OFFICER



FAQ's: Waste Collection Time Slots

Q: Are the waste collection time slots new?

A: No. Time slots were piloted in 2022 in response to a province-wide increase in bear activity. In 2023, they were formally included in the municipal *Garbage and Recycling Collection Bylaw No. 455, 2013* so that Bylaw Enforcement Officers could address non-compliance, as residents had expressed concerns that the rules were not being followed.

Q: What changes are currently under consideration by Council?

A: Council is considering two potential changes:

1. Allowing residents who use approved bear-resistant clip-lock style garbage/food waste carts to place their waste curbside beginning at 7:30 a.m. on collection day.
2. Making the time slot system permanent year-round to avoid seasonal confusion and to enable fines where repeated educational efforts by Bylaw Enforcement have failed.

All other provisions presented in the recent report to Council are part of the existing Bylaw framework, some dating back several years. The section was reproduced in full for clarity and ease of reference.

Q: Is garden waste subject to time slots?

A: No. Garden waste is not considered a wildlife attractant and has never been subject to time slot requirements.

Q: Is recycling subject to time slots?

A: The bylaw states: *"clean recycling products are excluded from the area collection schedule provided they do not create an attractant."*

For reducing wildlife (specifically bear attractants) Bear Smart education materials recommend the following: *"Please put your waste out as close to 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., or 10:00 a.m. as possible. Clean recyclables should be placed curbside in the Friday morning time slots or as close as possible to those times, or, if necessary, when leaving home."*

Q: Why are warning letters being issued now?

A: Enforcement of time slot *provisions* is carried out under the authority of the *Garbage and Recycling Collection Bylaw No. 455, 2013*. This initiative was advanced by staff to address repeated non-compliance. Bylaw Enforcement Officers are first emphasizing education, but where compliance does not follow, progressive enforcement measures, including warnings and fines, are necessary.

Q: Does curbside time slot enforcement cost more than the prior collection system?

A: No. There are no additional costs associated with enforcement of the time slot system.

Q: What other options were evaluated when the time slots were introduced in 2022?

A: Several alternatives were considered but found unsuitable for Lions Bay, including:

- **Eliminating curbside collection** (as done in Whistler, Belcarra, and other municipalities). This was dismissed immediately as it did not align with community expectations.
- **Bear-proof dumpsters in communal locations.** The cost of purchasing, maintaining, and monitoring dumpsters was prohibitive. Additional risks included odours attracting bears to cul-de-sacs, the Park & Ride, or other drop-off locations, thereby creating new public safety hazards.
- **Review of practices in other municipalities.** No options were identified as effective or feasible for the Village's context.

Note: Bylaw Enforcement thanks the majority of residents who comply with the time slot requirements, which has significantly reduced the number of bears accessing garbage on collection days. The intent of enforcement is to support public safety, reduce wildlife attractants, and ensure fair and consistent application of the bylaw.

For further information, please contact the Bylaw Enforcement Office at bylaw@lionsbay.ca.



WATER SUPPLY AND DEMAND

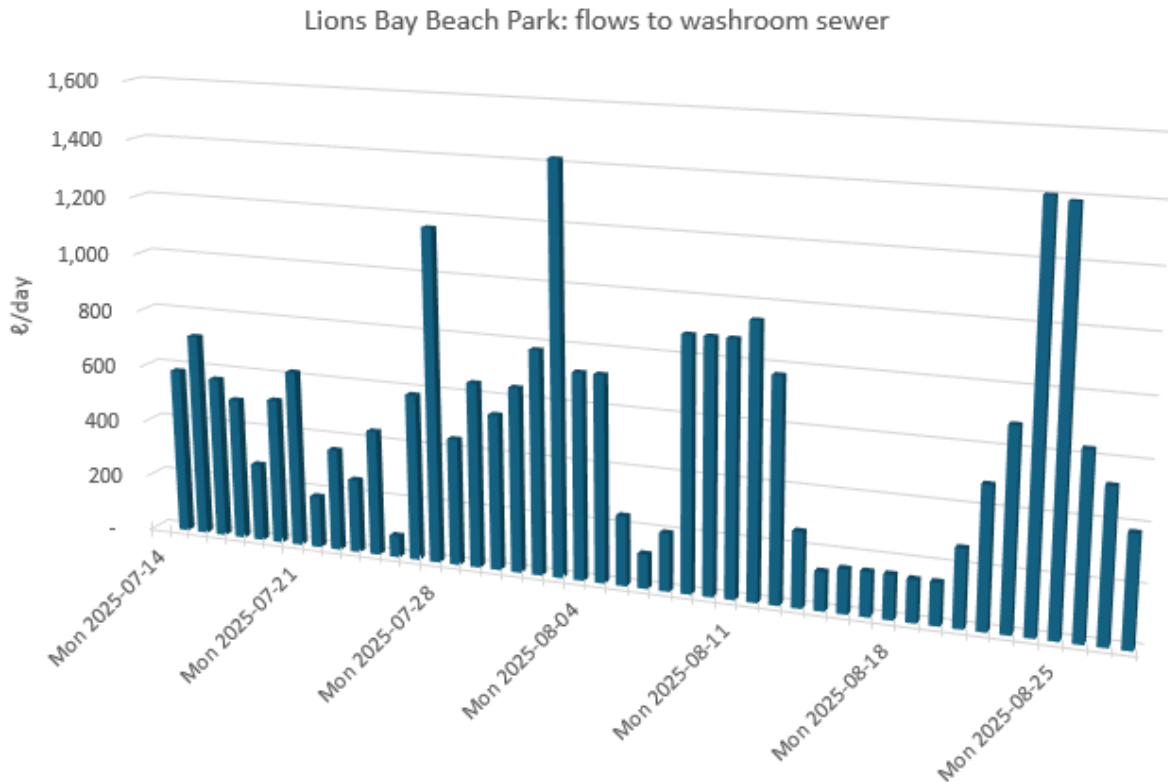
Magnesia, Alberta and Harvey Creeks were flowing at 550, 95 and 565 gallons per minute at midnight, a total of 1165 GPM counting Alberta at the 50 GPM max. capacity of the ASAP pumpstation. We know from flows out of treatment that Lions Bayers are conscious of and observing the Outdoor Water Use bylaw: water use jumps at 4 am as timed irrigation comes on, and drops at 7. Thanks! User cooperation, and leak finding and fixing, continue to keep demand below supply: consumption over the past seven days has averaged 320 gallons per minute Village-wide. Sporadic rain flows through in 35 hours, and creekflow is dropping. We may need to call for Level 2 conservation next week or the week after. Now is the time to be filling rain barrels and deep watering plants.

BEACH WATER QUALITY IS GOOD

Beach Swimming Water Sample Results (colony-forming units of <i>E. coli</i> per 100 ml)						
Suitable for swimming						
VCH Beach Action Value Investigation: any (A+B)/2 result > 235						
VCH Advisory (not suitable for swimming or wading): 2 consecutives > 400, or average of 5 most recent or past 30 days > 200						
2025 sample date	Kelvin Grove Beach		Brunswick Beach		Lions Bay Beach	
	A	B	A	B	A	B
25 Aug.	10	Lab error Aug. 28 (resampled Aug. 28)	<5	<5	<5	<5

BEACH WASTEWATER

Water use through the Lions Bay Beach washroom has been measured daily since mid-July to inform onsite wastewater disposal requirements for the coming facility. It pretty much correlates to good weather days and weekends:



**Saturday, September 6, come meet us,
have fun, and celebrate Firefighters Day
with us!🔥**



At the beautiful Lions Bay Beach we'll have:

- Live music by a local DJ
- Delicious barbecue
- Lots of games for all ages
- An incredible silent auction with amazing donations from businesses all over the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island

This event is our way of expressing gratitude to the Lions Bay community.

Your presence and participation help sustain our volunteer department and the work we proudly do.

See you there between 2–9 PM!

Purchase your raffle tickets early at the Village office! (Cash or cheque only) For enquiries please email lbfradmin@lionsbay.ca

Lions Bay Fire Rescue is a volunteer fire department that services the area along the

Sea to Sky highway between West Vancouver and Furry Creek, responding to emergencies that involve fire, rope-rescue, medical aid and auto-extrication. We are highly trained and volunteer countless hours in preparation and emergency response. Keeping the level of our service at a maximum requires not only time and effort, but also involves funding for our highly specialized equipment and training, which we secure in part through our annual Firefighters' Day fundraiser.

	<p>JOIN US</p> <p>BBQ MUSIC GAMES AUCTION</p>
<p>FIREFIGHTERS DAY</p>	<p>SEP 6</p>
<p>LIONS BAY BEACH</p>	<p>2 - 9 pm</p>

To Make a Donation to the Lions Bay Fire Rescue Click
Here!



UPDATES FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

TAX SALE NOTICE 2025

[Local Government Act](#)

What is a Tax Sale?

A Tax Sale is a public auction of properties within a municipality which have three years of outstanding property taxes called 'delinquent' taxes. Delinquent taxes are any portion of unpaid property taxes from two years prior to the current year. You must pay your delinquent taxes plus any late penalties and interest prior to the date set for the tax sale.

This year's Tax Sale will take place on September 29, 2025 at 10:00 am in accordance with the LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT.

If you have a delinquent balance outstanding, please contact the office to make arrangements for payment. You may also visit your account on-line through the payment portal to see your balance.



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

Regular Meeting of Council (CLOSED) - Tuesday 2, September 2025 at 6:00 pm

Regular Meeting of Council (OPEN) Begins at 7:00 pm

Climate Action Committee Meeting - Thursday 4, September at 6:00 pm

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

[View the Council and Committee Schedules, Agendas, and Minutes](#)

Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on viewing etiquette, and how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found [here](#).



RBC GranFondo Whistler
4111 Fraser St
Vancouver V5V 4E9
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RBC GranFondo Whistler 2025 - LIONS BAY TRAFFIC IMPACT

The RBC GranFondo Whistler is returning for another year, taking riders from Stanley Park, Vancouver to Whistler in an unimpeded lane. The event, founded in 2010, was created to provide both local and travelling cyclists with an incredible and safe experience up the Sea to Sky corridor. Participants will ride from 55km to 152km depending on the category they choose and get to enjoy all the beauty that British Columbia has to offer.

- **Date:** Saturday Sep 6th 2025
- **Location:** Vancouver (Stanley Park) to Whistler (Olympic Plaza)
- o **Lions Bay Specific:** North-bound lane of Highway 1
 - **Number of participants (estimate):** 5,000
 - **Time through Lions Bay:** 7:45am to 10:15am

For more information on the traffic impacts click [here](#).



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JOIN US!

All Adults Welcome!

TUESDAYS, SEPT 9TH TO DEC 2ND

11:15AM - 12:15PM

COST: \$120

IN BROUGHTON HALL

SOCIAL TEA AT 10:50AM



For more information:

conlin@sfu.ca or call Carole at 604-562-2204

Fall Ballet for Kids

Dance Instruction by Joslyn Weiss



NEW! Saturday Morning Class!

When: Sept 13th, 20th, 27th, Oct. 4th 18th & 25

Time: 10-11am

Ages: 3-8 yrs.

Where: Broughton Hall, Lions Bay

Cost: \$75

**Starts
Sept. 13th!**

About Joslyn

Joslyn began dance here in Lions Bay at 3 years old and quickly discovered her passion for dance as a result! In pursuit of her passion, her talent and hard work has allowed her to train with top ballet schools in North America. For more on Joslyn and the program or to register, click the link below!

www.lionsbayarts.ca/artspark

CHEESE

Cheese Making Workshop one evening, three cheeses

Join us & learn how to make,
burrata, mozzarella & bocconcini

*Workshop lead by Gabriola Island's own
cheese crafter Paula Maddison*

Saturday, September 20th

6:30 PM

\$65/ per person

(spaces are limited)



Lions Bay Arts

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2010

Fall Registration
Now Open!

Lions Bay Arts
CONNECTED THROUGH THE ARTS
2013 Winter Session

Landscape Artist Collective

Mentored by Artist Barb San Severino

Whether you are a novice eager to explore the world of landscape painting or an experienced artist looking to refine your skills, and connect with fellow artists in our community, this group offers a unique opportunity to come together in an open forum and a communal space to share ideas and drive each others creativity.

Sept-Oct Collective (8 weeks)
Begins September 11th

Nov-Dec Collective (6 weeks)
Begins November 6th

JOIN US!

To learn more about this Collective, Barb San Severino or
to register please visit:

www.lionsbayarts/adult-learning



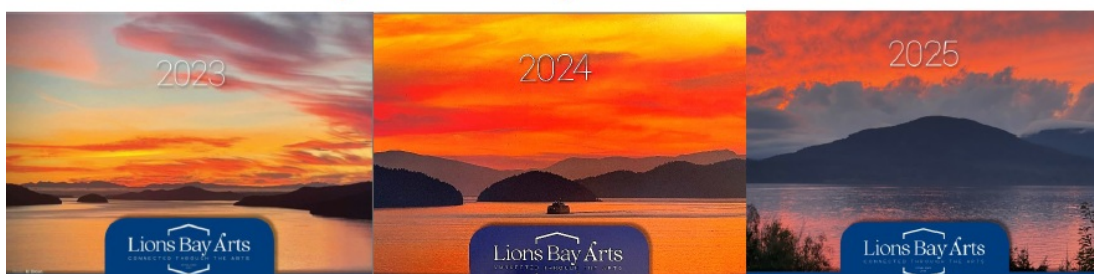
Photo Call!


ALL RESIDENTS!
2026 Lions Bay Arts Calendar
photo submissions is now open
 (closes October 31st)

Celebrate Us Capture History Build Community

For submission requirements visit:

<http://www.lionsbayarts.ca/calendar>






Lions Bay House Concerts Presents

DAN BRUBECK QUARTET

Lions Bay Village Hall
 Saturday, November 15, 6:00 - 9:00pm

GOLD SPONSOR



THYRA MCKILLIGAN

Juno what's better than a Trio? The Dan Brubeck Quartet.

Join us for an unforgettable afternoon with one of our most beloved Jazz artists (and Juno Winner) Dan Brubeck for his triumphant encore performance, in Lions Bay at the Village Hall on Saturday, November 15, 2025 (6:00pm - 9:00pm).

Hailing from a legendary world-famous Jazz family, JUNO-nominated **Dan Brubeck** (son of **Dave Brubeck**) is a **Master Jazz Drummer**. He is coming to play from the **infamous Brubeck songbook** with Vancouver jazz legends **Miles Black (piano)**, **Miles Hill (bass)** and **Steve Kaldestad (sax)**, for the complete sound of the bestselling BRUBECK musical catalogue — including songs like "Take5" and "Blue Rondo à la Turk". **LIMITED NUMBER OF \$10** (plus fees) community-access tickets available. This will be an incredible evening. Seats are limited. We hope YOU can come. AGES 19+. **POTLUCK IS BACK** so bring your favourite appetizer to share. See you there!
Concert GOLD SPONSOR: Thyra McKilligan, ReMax/Masters

CLICK HERE FOR LIMITED \$10 TICKETS!

📺 Dan Brubeck Quartet Plays "Time Out" – Lions Bay

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**FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US
WITH QUESTIONS OR TO RECEIVE
INFORMATION & GUIDELINES
ON LIVING IN BEAR COUNTRY.**

EMAIL US:
LIONSBAYBEARSMART@GMAIL.COM

VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
LIONSBAYBEARSMART.CA.



Thank you!

To all who delayed tree work
until after the nesting season.

Please continue to
check for nests when
planning tree work &
gardening projects.



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Meeting
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Real-time Air
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Real-time Air
Temperature

Curbside Solid
Waste Timeslots

Drop-off service for wildlife attractant solid waste, as well as non-curbside recyclables (styrofoam, batteries, lightbulbs, soft plastics, electronic e-waste) is available at the Public Works Yard, 5 Tidewater Way, Fridays 6-9 am and Saturdays 8-11 am.



Reception: (604) 921-9333

Public Works Voicemail: (604) 921-9833

Public Works After-hours On-call: (604) 290-1498

Bylaw Enforcement Officer: (604) 834-3404

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