

District of Lantzville Community Update

Volunteer Appreciation, 10th Anniversary Highlights & Planning for Urban Agriculture

July 2013

10th Anniversary of Incorporation Open House Highlights

Mayor, Council and Staff would like to thank all of you who attended the celebration. What a great day! Council enjoyed talking with residents and were amazed by how many of you braved the weather and stopped by. There were also a few dignitaries from neighbouring communities who attended and passed along their congratulations. Residents also received a keepsake District of Lantzville coffee mug to take home. We would additionally like to say thank you to Anne Thomas and Bradley Wolvergreen Thomas for the generous donation of a section of Australian gum wood piling from the coal mine loading wharf at the foot of Jack's Road, which is now displayed in the entrance to Council Chambers; the Mid Isle Rose Society for the beautiful Rambler Albertine rose plant; Koer's & Associates for the stunning flower arrangement; and Sarah Wallbank, owner of Riso's, for providing the remarkable



Photo: left to right – Marilyn Cholin, Mayor Jack de Jong and Deputy Fire Chief John Marment

Planning for Urban Agriculture:

Council has directed District staff to move forward with a process to explore zoning bylaw changes with the goal of enabling urban agriculture while limiting potential impacts on surrounding residents (for background, please see the agenda from the May 27th Council meeting, available at the District office or online at www.lantzville.ca).

Through the summer and early fall, the District will host a variety of focus group discussions in order to give residents an opportunity to dig into the issues. There will also be a questionnaire and, in the fall, opportunities to participate in public consultation events. If you would like to participate in a focus group discussion, please contact the District's Community Planner, Meredith Seeton at meredith@lantzville.ca or 250.390.4006.

cake and coffee. It was wonderful to reflect on all the achievements the District has had since incorporation. Some of the more notable accomplishments are:

- Ware Road Reservoir
- District Hall renovations
- Implementation of Phase 1 & 2 of a community sanitary sewer system
- Water infrastructure improvements
- Knarston Creek Project
- Phase 1 of the E & N Trail

Council Summer Meeting Schedule

Council will conduct Regular Meetings on Monday, July 8th and 22nd, 2013, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please note that Council does not have any meetings scheduled for the month of August.

Council will resume its Regular Meeting schedule on Monday, September 9th, 2013. **They're the ones** who show up when you need them, with a smile on their face, ready to jump in and do whatever it takes. Whether it's cutting broom, cleaning up community gardens, organizing community events, sitting on committees and societies that improve the well-being of community members—whatever it is, these people donate their time and hard work to make our community an incredible place to live.

Mayor and Council wish to extend their sincere appreciation to all who volunteer their time in Lantzville.

<u>City of Nanaimo Council says YES to supply water</u> to Lantzville

City of Nanaimo Council, at its meeting held Monday, June 17, 2013, voted YES to providing water to the District of Lantzville by directing staff to finalize a water supply agreement with the District.

"We are extremely pleased with this direction taken by the City of Nanaimo Council", said Mayor Jack de Jong. "For years our community has been pursuing an alternate water source to supplement our current community water system. Now that the City has agreed to supply water to Lantzville, our community is now in a position to enjoy a safe, secure, and reliable source of water for years to come."

While the City of Nanaimo and the District of Lantzville Council have agreed to the principles regarding a water supply, a formal agreement has yet to be executed. Prior to entering into this agreement, Council will be providing the residents of Lantzville with detailed information and engaging in public consultation as it relates to the supply of water.

As negotiations for this service were conducted over a number of years, residents are being asked to be patient while staff compile the details surrounding this service provision. Residents may expect a direct letter highlighting this information in the next few weeks.



Happy Canada Day

Stage 1 Water Restrictions are in Effect

Annually in May the District implements water restrictions. Effective Wednesday, May 1, 2013, the District will be on Stage 1, as follows:

- Odd house numbers may water on odd numbered days
- Even house numbers may water on even numbered days
- Watering is restricted to a maximum of 3
 hours per designated day and only
 permitted between the hours of 6:00 to
 10:00 a.m. OR 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Please note that watering restrictions only apply to those property owners who are on the District's community water system. However, we also encourage those property owners on individual private wells to exercise conservation measures when it comes to water usage.

SCHEDULE CHANGE - FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING REMINDER:

When there is a holiday, your regular collection day moves forward a day. This means that due to the July 1st Holiday the collection schedule will be as follows:

Monday, July 8th recycling & food waste Monday, July 15th garbage & food waste

(Collection days move to Monday until the next statutory holiday in August.)