

District of Lantzville Community Update

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July 2016



Happy Canada Day!

The District Office will be closed on Friday, July 1, 2016 for Canada Day. Regular hours (8:00 am - 4:00 pm) will resume on Monday, July 4, 2016.

REMINDER

Property Taxes are Due On or Before July 4th!

The deadline to make property tax payments and submit Home Owner Grants without penalty is Monday, July 4, 2016.

Postmarks are not accepted as proof of payment. NOTE: Home Owner Grants must be completed annually.

Register NOW for *Free* July or August Children's Cycling Safety Clinics

Taught by the Greater Nanaimo Cycling Coalition, coordinated and funded through the District of Lantzville Parks & Recreation Commission, children enjoy 8 hours of *free* instruction to improve cycling safety and bike knowledge. Sessions include riding in Huddlestone Park and on Lantzville Road. Parents are welcome to attend each session and ride along! Each Clinic is held in four consecutive 2-hour sessions at Costin Hall from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Monday - Thursday:

Clinic #2 (age 8-10) – July 18 – 21 Clinic #3 (age 11-13) – August 22 – 25 Registration forms available at the District Office and www.lantzville.ca. Submit to trudy@lantzville.ca or the District Office. (Max. 20 children per Clinic)

Minetown Day-Saturday, September 10th!

Join us at Huddlestone Park for a family fun, community event! Members of the District's Parks & Recreation Commission and Minetown Day volunteers have been busy planning a full day of activities for all ages. More volunteers are needed to help make this an excellent day! Celebrate our heritage at Minetown Day!



Did you know...2016 marks the 100th Anniversary of Jack Grant finding coal near the beach in what is now Lantzville and the start of a coal mining operation?

For more Minetown Day information, contact:

Vendors dori@telus.net or 250.390.2386
Parade councillor.swain@lantzville.ca
Volunteers jkmoody@shaw.ca or 250.618.8389
General Info councillor.neary@lantzville.ca

District Office district@lantzville.ca or 250.390.4006

Upcoming Meetings
Monday, July 11 - 6:00

Monday, July 11 – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole

Monday, July 11 - 7:00 pm Regular Council

Monday, July 18 – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole

Monday, July 25 - 7:00 pm Regular Council

Meetings are held at the District Office, 2nd Floor, 7192 Lantzville Road. Summer Schedule – Council does not have any meetings scheduled for the month of August. Council's regular meeting schedule will resume in September. For more Council meeting information:

- Visit <u>www.lantzville.ca</u> and click on the calendar to access agenda, agenda package, and minutes
- Visit the District Office to view the agenda binder which is available the Friday before the meeting.

Council Update – In June 2016, Council:

- approved the 2015 Statement of Financial Information (view a copy at the District Office or website)
- approved registering a development permit to accommodate a new dwelling at 8320 Lorenzen Lane
- approved the amended Travel Expense
 Reimbursement District Staff Policy No. 3000-3
- requested and received a staff report regarding empirical verification of the Harby Road Aquifer capacity
- appointed Paul Manhas to the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term expiring December 31, 2018
- appointed Parks & Recreation Commission members Councillor Dot Neary and Joy Tretick to the woodlot operator's ad hoc Lantzville Woodlot Advisory Group
- authorized three members to attend the Union of BC Municipalities Conference in Victoria September 26 – 30, 2016, and all members of Council to attend meetings with Ministries
- adopted Council Remuneration, Benefits and Expenses Bylaw No. 97, 2012, Amendment Bylaw No. 128, 2016 to update expense reimbursement clauses
- received the Annual Municipal Report for the year ended December 31, 2015 (view a copy at the District Office or website)
- declared the service level for Lantzville Fire Rescue at the Interior Operations Level, to meet the requirements of the *Fire Services Act* and training standards set in the Provincial Playbook

Mayor's Office Hours

Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Call the District Office at 250.390.4006 if you wish to book an appointment to meet with Mayor Haime.

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Upcoming Capital Projects

Some of the capital projects you can expect to see in process over the next few months include road replacement/repairs to Manhattan Way and Bayview Park Drive. Some of this work may impact traffic flow. The District will make every effort to provide notice of these impacts so residents may plan accordingly.

Utility Billing

The quarterly utility bills have been mailed to property owners and are due July 30, 2016. There may be a disruption to postal services, impacting delivery. If you do not receive your bill, please contact the District Office.

Rotary Park – *Under Construction Soon!*

The Rotary Park, on Harby Road East and Peterson Road, will be the site of playground improvements soon! Watch for more information on the schedule for removal of existing, and installation of new, playground equipment and development of a mountain bike skills circuit, tentatively planned for August and September 2016. The public will be notified in advance of expected periods of closure during construction for portions of the park. *Schedule subject to delivery of equipment.* Thank you for your patience and co-operation.

Fire Rescue Safety Message

It is BBQ season! Please keep your BBQ:

- away from any structure, deck railings or beneath overhanging branches when in use
- clean by removing any grease buildup on the grill or in the trays below
- leak-free check the propane tank for any hose leaks before using it.

If you smell gas while cooking, move away from the BBQ and call 911. Do not move the BBQ.

Thinking about home improvements?

With summer...comes home improvement projects such as sundecks, small retaining walls, fences and garden sheds! When planning these projects, the details need to be well thought out, including issues such as setbacks from property lines, underground utilities (Call before you Dig!), and right of way easements need to be considered. Some projects may require a building permit.

The District of Lantzville contracts with the Regional District of Nanaimo to provide building inspection services, including receiving your building permit application. Contact 250.390.6530, building@rdn.bc.ca or visit 6330 Hammond Bay Road with building permit questions. It is always a good idea to contact the Community Planner at the District of Lantzville Office prior to submitting your application at the RDN, to confirm if you will require a Development Permit.



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Staff welcome your questions and comments.

BYLAW REMINDERS Burning Ban in Effect –

Effective May 13, 2016, outdoor burning is NOT permitted in the District of Lantzville. Outdoor burning, backyard burning, bonfire, incinerators, open air fire and burn piles are all referencing fires for the purpose of cleaning up yard debris. Branches, leaves, cuttings and trimmings CANNOT be burned at this time per our bylaw and the Burning Ban imposed by the BC Wildfire Service. NOTE: The burning ban currently in effect also prohibits the use of fireworks. Campfires are still allowed but due to the drying conditions could be banned at any time. A Campfire is defined as any fire smaller than .5 meters high by .5 meters wide burning clean wood used for cooking, heating and ceremonial purposes. It must have someone in attendance and you cannot burn yard debris or prohibited materials. Please fully extinguish any campfire after use, stay a safe distance away from combustibles and be considerate of your neighbors. Beach Fires follow the basic description of a campfire and will be prohibited once the campfire ban is imposed. The following additional considerations must be followed. Beach fires are only allowed between 06:00am and 11:00pm, they MUST be extinguished fully before 11:00pm and MUST be placed below the high tide line away from combustibles like drift logs. NO PALLETS are to be burned, only clean fire wood. Please be aware that forest conditions are extremely dry, share the responsibility and do your part in being Fire Safe! Program your phone to assist you in an emergency:

To report a fire emergency: Call 9-1-1 & To report a forest fire: Call 1.800.663.5555 or *5555 from a cellular phone

Stage 2 Watering Restrictions – Effective June 1st Under Stage 2 watering restrictions, sprinkling is permitted between the hours of 7:00 am to 10:00 am OR 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm for a maximum of 2 hours every other day on the following days:

- Odd-numbered addresses on odd-numbered days
- Even-numbered addresses on even-numbered days Sprinkling includes watering lawns, ornamental shrubs, flowers and trees and use of pop-up spray, rotors and sprinklers. Putting in a new lawn? Apply for a new lawn permit. The following are permitted at any time in Stage 2: hand-watering, drip irrigation, and micro irrigation; washing vehicles, boats, and houses (siding) if using a hose with a shutoff device; filling fountains, pools, or hot tubs; pressure washing walkways, driveways and siding. Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from all watering restrictions but watering in the early morning or in the evening is recommended less evaporation. Private wells are not subject to municipal watering restrictions, but conservation is encouraged because water is a shared resource.

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