

# District of Lantzville Community Update

November 2016

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#### **Remembrance Day**

The District Office will be closed for **Remembrance Day** on Friday, November 11, 2016. Our regular office hours (8:00 am – 4:00 pm) resume on Monday, November 14, 2016.



Lest We Forget

## **Remembrance Day Road Closure**

Council approved the closure of the portion of Lantzville Road from School House Road to Huddlestone Road from **10:00 am to Noon** on Friday, **November 11, 2016** to permit The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #257 to conduct a parade to the Cenotaph in Huddlestone Park and during the service that will be held in Huddlestone Park. Traffic control will be present during the closure to redirect traffic, where possible, through Lantzville via alternate routes. Expect traffic delays, obey all directions given by traffic control, and use caution with the increased pedestrian traffic on Remembrance Day.



## **Official Community Plan Update & Water Master Plan Update**

The focus of the Community Event #2, a workshop held at Costin Hall on November 2, 2016, was to explore potential directions for the draft plans. Continuing into November we'll be inviting residents to host Kitchen Table Meetings for their neighbourhoods. These meetings will allow local residents to talk in depth about the options and directions important to them. Interested in hosting or attending? Email us at <u>ourlantzville@lantzville.ca</u>. We will also be undertaking a community-wide survey that asks all Lantzville residents to weigh-in on their preferred directions. Watch for this in your mailbox. There is still time to provide input on Questionnaire #1 – deadline for input extended to November 21, 2016.

Questions about the OCP Update or Water Master Plan? Visit Lantzville.ca/OCP-WMP to read the backgrounders, or contact the Community Planner at 250.390.4006, <u>ourlantzville@lantzville.ca</u> or 7192 Lantzville Road.

#### Mayor's Office Hours

*Wednesdays 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.

# **Upcoming Meetings**

**Wednesday, November 9** – 6:00 pm Official Community Plan Review Select Committee inaugural meeting **Monday, November 14** –Regular Council immediately following adjournment of Public Hearing at 7:00 pm for OCP Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 50.7 and Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 60.33 (re: 7491 Lantzville Rd)

**Thursday, November 24** – 4: 40 pm Parks & Recreation Commission

Monday, November 28 – 7:00 pm Regular Council

For more information:

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

**Council Update** – In October 2016, Council:

- presented Steve Page with fire service recognition awards for 25 years of service with the Lantzville Volunteer Fire Department
- authorized expending the \$3,900 VIHA Wellness Grant from the RDN towards 2016 Rotary Park improvement projects
- adopted Regional Parks and Trails Parcel Tax and Assessment Roll Preparation Bylaw No. 56, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 133, 2016, 2016
- adopted 2017 Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 135
- directed staff to write a letter to the Department of National Defense supporting the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation's request for access to Wallis Point (Canadian Maritime Experimental & Test Range) from the water
- authorized submitting a Canada-British Columbia Clean Water and Waste Water Fund grant Application for the Lantzville-Nanaimo Interconnection Pipe Project, noting Water Capital Reserves funding the District's share
- gave Council Procedure Bylaw No. 118 first three readings, for consideration of adoption Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>
- appointed Lynn Cobley, Steve Dickinson, Barry French, Ross McKeever, Gary Peters, Ian Savage, David Scott and Jamie Wilson, and Councillors Denise Haime and Dot Neary, to the Official Community Plan Review Select Committee

**Danger Trees** - Before this winter's rainy, windy weather, check if the trees on your property are healthy and vibrant. Unhealthy trees may pose safety risks to you and your neighbours. You may wish to retain the services of a professional arborist to conduct a tree assessment.



Visit <u>www.treesaregood.com</u> for hazard tree information.

# **Community Water System Maintenance**

The District's fire hydrants scheduled annual maintenance started October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Discolouration of water may result and, while this should not affect the quality of the drinking water, we recommend that laundry be done on weekends or evenings to avoid discolouration of clothes, etc. Our apologies for any inconvenience.

# When it Snows in Lantzville

#### **Parking When It Snows**

In preparation for winter weather, the District's Public Works Department reminds residents to park off the road when it is snowing, to allow ploughs and emergency vehicles space to pass. If residents *on the following roads* are unable to park in their own driveways, please park on the south side of the road (if possible) and as far onto the shoulder as possible:

Northwind Drive Fernmar Road

Clark Crescent Andrea Crescent

Southwind Drive

This will allow our snow removal crew to provide better service to our neighbourhoods. Thank you!

#### **Clearing of Driveway Culverts**

To avoid potential flooding, the District requests that residents check their driveway culverts to ensure the culvert is clear of any obstruction that may cause a blockage. The District greatly appreciates your cooperation.

#### **District Office – After Hours Phone Number**

The District Office is open 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday, except statutory holidays. Occasionally residents may encounter a Public Works emergency situation after hours that requires the attention of District staff. The District has an after hours answering service that will page our "on-call" staff member. The answer service can be reached as follows:

 By calling the District Office at 250.390.4006, and, when prompted, press "3" to connect to the service; OR

• Call the service directly at 250.741.3335.

Always call 9-1-1 for emergencies that require the attention of Fire, Police or Ambulance.



Fall leaves are fun but messy, and potentially damaging! Help prevent drainage problems, and slip and falls – keep leaves clear from streets and culvert inlets!

#### **BYLAW REMINDERS**

**Open Burning** – Open burning is closed through to and including October 15<sup>th</sup>, except with a permit for an incinerator fire, only permitted on Fridays and Saturdays if no ban is in place. From October 16, 2016 to May 14, 2017, residents are permitted to burn in their backyards without a permit as long as they follow the conditions and requirements. Questions? Contact the Fire Department at 250.390.2811 or view the "District of Lantzville Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 86, 2010" online at www.lantzville.ca.

**Unsightly Premises** – Don't wait until Spring to clean up your property! It is a bylaw offence to allow rubbish, noxious or offensive matter to collect on your property. The best way to prevent a rodent infestation is to remove the food sources, water and items that provide shelter for rodents. Seal up! Trap up! Clean up!

#### STAGE 1 Watering Restrictions Effective Nov 1<sup>st</sup>

In Stage 1, sprinkling is permitted on any day between the hours of 7:00 pm and 7:00 am. 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 1: 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. Private wells are not subject to municipal watering restrictions, but conservation is encouraged because water is a shared resource.

#### **Rotary Park Projects Update**

Take your children to try out the new playground equipment, designed for ages 2 to 5, that the Public Works crew installed in Rotary Park in October. Coming soon (subject to weather/requires two weeks without rain) the Mountain Bike Skills Circuit project in Rotary Park.

#### Fire Rescue 2017 Calendar On Sale Now!

Buy a calendar from the Lantzville Volunteer Fire Fighters Association (LVFFA) selling door to door, or buy one at the District Office. Proceeds support local fire safety programs and special events.

#### FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Your regular collection day changes when there is a statutory holiday. After the garbage and food waste collection on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, collection resumes on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> with recycling and food waste pick-up, and continues on Tuesdays until after Christmas after which pick-up will be on Wednesdays, starting December 28<sup>th</sup>.

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