



District of Lantzville Community Update

Stage 1 Water Restrictions, Open Burning & General Information

May 2012

May Council Meetings @ 7:00 p.m.

Monday, May 14 - Regular Council Meeting
Monday, May 28 - Regular Council Meeting

District Office Closure

The District Office will be closed on Monday, May 21
for Victoria Day.
We will re-open on Tuesday, May 22 at 8:00 a.m.

Food Waste, Garbage and Recycling - Pickup Schedule Change

Just a reminder that when there is a holiday, your regular collection day moves forward a day. This means that due to the Victoria Day holiday, your collection day will move to Thursday.

Stage 1 Water Restrictions – May 1, 2012

Annually in May, the District begins implementing its water restrictions. Effective Tuesday, May 1, 2012, the District will be on Stage 1, as follows:

- Properties with an **odd house number** may water on **odd numbered days** within permitted hours.
- Properties with an **even house number** may water on **even numbered days** within permitted hours.
- Watering is restricted to a **maximum of 3 hours per designated day**.

On your designated watering day you are permitted to water between the hours of 6:00 am to 10:00 am or 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Property Tax Notices

Property tax notices will be mailed the third week in May and will include information regarding payment options, Home Owner Grants and deferment programs. If you do not receive your tax notice by the beginning of June, please contact the District Office. Property taxes are due at the District Office by 4:00 pm on July 3, 2012.

Emergency Preparedness Guidebook

Are you ready? Do you have plan? For more information on how to prepare you and your family for an emergency, please stop by the District Office to pick up your **free copy** of this valuable book.

Message from the Fire Chief – Open Burning

Residents should be aware that the fire season is upon us. Open burning (fire piles on the ground) is now closed until October 15th. Incinerators are still permitted at this time but could be closed at any time, as conditions dictate. Incinerators have a few rules applied (for a copy of the complete Bylaw No. 86, please go to the District website at www.lantzville.ca) and they also require a free permit available at the District Office. *Incinerators must be screened with a mesh no greater than approximately 1 inch mesh and should always be burned as hot as possible. This helps to reduce smoke and ash.*

Residents should be aware of a few basic rules when burning: the two most frequently overlooked are those of wind speed and venting. **Burning is not permitted when wind speed exceeds 15 kph.** This is anything much more than a gentle breeze. The venting index is a guide generally applied to burning on a larger scale but residents should be cognizant of smoke's ability, **or not**, to escape. This is a gauge of how well the smoke you produce will rise and not seriously affect your home and others. Rainy days are seldom good days to burn. A guide may be found on the Ministry of Environment website.

Remember, when you burn, if you find the smoke or the ash fallout offensive at your place, chances are your neighbour does as well.