



District of Lantzville Community Update

Launch of New District Website Sanitary Sewer Collection System Phase 2 – Update Changes to Leak Adjustment Policy & General Information

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District of Lantzville Website – New Look!

Council of the District of Lantzville is pleased to announce that the District has completed its website upgrade. Please visit www.lantzville.ca to view our new site. The site has a whole new look and it is our hope that users will find it easier to navigate, easy to search and more informative than the previous site. Although we do not anticipate any issues with the launch of the new site, as with all new things there may be a few “bugs” to be worked out and we thank you for your patience should that happen. As always, District staff are in the office and available to take your call if you require assistance with the website or any other inquiry regarding District business.

Sanitary Sewer Collection System - Phase 2

We are pleased to report that all works associated with installation of main lines, collection pipes and individual service connections have been completed within Phase 2 of the District’s sanitary sewer collection area. We do however continue to experience construction delays as it relates to the Huddlestone Road lift station. Extreme weather events experienced throughout the months of November and December have contributed to this delay. We do anticipate construction of the lift station to conclude March 31, 2010.

Huddlestone Lift Station Aesthetics – March 25th Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Property owners in the Phase 2 sanitary sewer collection area will receive individual invitations to join members of the Parks and Recreation Commission at their Meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 25th beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the District Office, 2nd Floor, to provide their input as to the overall aesthetics of the Huddlestone Road lift station. Please note that all residents of the District are welcome to attend and participate in these discussions. Written submissions are also welcomed if you are unable to attend in person.

Change to Leak Adjustment Policy

Council, at its Regular Meeting held January 11, 2010, amended “Leak Adjustment Policy No. 3006-2”. The amendments included minor housekeeping items but also dealt with a change to the manner in which claims for leak adjustment were received. The policy now states that residents will have thirty (30) days from the date noted on their bill to repair the leak and apply and qualify for an in ground leak adjustment. Please contact the District Office or check the District’s website to obtain a copy of the amended Leak Adjustment Policy.

Property Tax Payment Options

We are approaching that time of year when residents may anticipate receipt of their 2010 Property Tax notices (May). We wanted to take this opportunity to remind residents of the provincial deferment programs available to you as follows:

1. BC Property Tax Deferment Program - allows those property owners (age 55 or older) to defer their property taxes (subject to qualifications and a nominal application fee); and
2. Financial Hardship Deferment Program – continues for the 2010 taxation year.

Please visit www.sbr.gov.bc.ca/rpt for more detailed information. NOTE: All components of your tax notice qualify for deferral (including parcel taxes) should you take advantage of these programs.

Garbage Collection / Food Waste Diversion

Beginning October 1, 2010, residents of the community of Lantzville will see changes to how your garbage/recycling will be collected including the addition of the collection of food waste. This is an initiative spearheaded by the Regional District of Nanaimo and includes its municipal partners. Stay tuned for continued updates regarding this initiative, including the conducting of public open houses, information packages and updates on our website.