



District of Lantzville Community Update

District Office Closure, Fireworks Permits, Fire Bylaw,
Burning Permits & Transit Future Bus Open House

October 2012

October Council Meetings

Monday, Oct.15 – 7:00 Regular Council Meeting

Monday, Oct.22 – 7:00 Regular Council Meeting

DISTRICT OFFICE CLOSURE

The District Office will be closed
Monday, October 8 for Thanksgiving.

We will re-open at 8:00 am on
Tuesday, October 9.

FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING REMINDER: PICKUP SCHEDULE CHANGE

When there is a holiday, your regular collection day
moves forward a day. This means that due to recent
holidays, **beginning October 10, collection days
will move to Wednesday.**

Fireworks Permits

The District of Lantzville prohibits the sale of fireworks
within its boundaries, however fireworks can be
discharged with a valid permit. Permits can be obtained
at the District Office or viewed on the District's website.

**Permits must be approved by the Fire Chief and
certain conditions may apply.**

Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 86

On September 17, the Committee of the Whole met to
discuss Bylaw No. 86. At the meeting, the Committee
proposed an amendment to the bylaw which will be
considered by Council at its October 15 Regular
Meeting. The amendment would extend the definition of
items prohibited from burning as noted below. The
existing Incinerator Permit application form will also be
amended to reflect this direction.

- all prohibited materials as listed in the provincial Open
Burning Smoke Regulations;
- all items currently picked up as part of the District's
curbside recycling program; and
- insulation, plastic, clothing and shoes.

Copies of Bylaw No. 86 may be viewed on the District
website or at the District Office.

Community Water System Maintenance

During October, the District's fire hydrants are
scheduled for annual maintenance. As a result, there
may be some discoloration of water and, while this
should not affect the quality of the drinking water, we
recommend that laundry be done on weekends or
evenings to avoid discoloration of clothes, etc. The
District apologizes for any inconvenience this may
cause.

Burning

Effective October 15th through to May 15th residents are
permitted to burn in their backyards without a permit.

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** which is anything
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.**

There are alternatives to burning:

- Composting Yard and Garden Waste – either at
home or through the Green Bin program.
- Hauling Away Yard and Garden Waste –for those
items that are not accepted in the Green Bin and
for those who do not have a backyard compost,
the landfill accepts these materials. If you can't
take it to the landfill yourself, there are businesses
that will collect it for you. Fees apply.
- Xeriscaping – this gardening method not only
saves water, it may result in less material to burn.



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Open Houses

We want to hear from you. BC Transit and the Regional District of Nanaimo are developing a 25-year Transit Future Plan.

Visit the Transit Future Bus in Lantzville on:

Thursday, Oct. 18

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

District of Lantzville Town Hall

Check online at www.bctransit.com for other Transit Future bus locations in Greater Nanaimo and surrounding areas from October 14 – 20.

Visit www.bctransit.com, click Transit Future and use the online survey to send us your comments.



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