



District of Lantzville Community Update

**Council Update, LVFA Garage Sale, Upcoming Meetings, Huddlestone Park Playground Project Survey
Parks & Recreation Commission, Minetown Day, Water Main, Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel, SWMP, Bylaw Reminders**

March 2018

Council Update – In February 2018, Council:

- adopted the Council Committee System Policy
- authorized Councillors Colclough, Geselbracht, and Haime to attend the Association of VI & Coastal Communities Convention April 13-15, 2018 in Victoria
- authorized Mayor Haime and Councillors Colclough and Swain to attend the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention September 10-14, 2018 in Whistler
- approved applying for a UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund grant for Emergency Operations Centre Communications, Equipment & Training for 100% project cost of up to \$25,000
- approved sending a letter to the Province requesting a meeting between the Minister, Lantzville and Snaw-Naw-As (Nanoose) First Nation Councils, Woodlot 1475 Licensee and Save Lantzville Forest to discuss the proposal for the creation of the Knarston Creek Forest Corridor in Woodlot 1475, and requested a moratorium on logging within the Corridor until the proposal has been evaluated and discussed with interested parties
- gave Miscellaneous Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 26-2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 139, 2018 first two readings, to be posted with additional information for three weeks prior to consideration of third reading
- gave Water System Bylaw No. 140, 2018 first two readings, as amended
- requested a report on any history of Council discussions or decisions on keeping a water connection list
- approved a \$443.97 adjustment to the utility account for 6954 Seaside Terrace
- approved Development Variance Permit #18-01 increasing the maximum height from 8 m to 8.92 m. for a new dwelling at 7587 Aulds Road
- approved grant in aid requests for Boys and Girls Club of Central VI-Lantzville (\$500), Seaview Elementary School Garden Committee (\$1,000) and ETRA Equestrian Therapeutic Riding Association (\$1,000)
- scheduled a COTW meeting for 5:00 pm, Monday, March 12, 2018 to discuss the 2nd Draft Official Community Plan (dated December 14, 2017) and vote on any amendments to the Draft OCP.

Lantzville Vol. Firefighters Assoc. Garage Sale

Saturday, April 21st 8:00 am-2:00 pm

7187 Lantzville Road (former Slegg Building)

Support the LVFA by shopping at the garage sale and by donating clean, saleable items! No paint. No propane cylinders. Email Lvffa1955@gmail.com or leave a message at 778.269.2998 to schedule a donation pick-up to occur Mon-Wed-Fri, 6:00-7:30pm, April 9-20, 2018.

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, March 12th – 5:00 pm Committee of the Whole

Monday, March 12th – 7:00 pm Regular Council

Wednesday, March 14th – 6:30 pm-8:30 pm Economic Development Strategic Plan & Community Branding Project Drop-in Open House at Costin Hall. For more information, visit www.lantzvillebeyond.com.

Thursday, March 15th – 4:30 pm Parks and Recreation Commission

Monday, March 19th – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole (COTW), if required

Monday, March 26th – 6:00 pm Parcel Tax Review Panel, if required

Monday, March 26th – 7:00 pm Regular Council

Tuesday, March 27th – 4:30 pm Parks and Recreation Commission (Special Meeting)

For more information visit www.lantzville.ca and click on the calendar to access agenda, agenda package, meeting minutes, and video recordings of meeting.

Huddlestone Park Playground Project Survey

Have you submitted your survey yet? The District mailed a survey to households in February to receive input about the Huddlestone Park playground equipment. Due to the equipments' age, condition and safety concerns, the District plans to remove and replace the Huddlestone Park playground equipment in 2018.

There are only so many play pieces that we can pack into one playground within the available footprint (110 m²) and budget, so we need your help to set priorities and develop concept options by responding to this survey. The Parks and Recreation Commission will present options at an Open House in April. Assist the District in selecting the most popular pieces within the available budget to put in a Request for Proposals. Any individuals, groups or corporations interested in sponsoring a piece of playground equipment, please contact the Municipal Hall at 250.390.4006 or district@lantzville.ca.

If you have not received a survey, please pick one up at the Municipal Hall or at www.lantzville.ca. Deadline to submit your survey is 4:00 pm, Tuesday, March 13, 2018. Adults submitting a completed survey will be eligible to enter a draw to win a \$50 Gift Certificate.

Mayor's Office Hours

*Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am
For an appointment to meet with Mayor Haime,
call the Municipal Hall at 250.390.4006*

Volunteer for Parks & Recreation Commission

Applications close at 4:00 pm on Thursday, March 15, 2018 to be considered for appointment to serve on the Parks & Recreation Commission. For more information, and a Committee Volunteer Application form, visit www.lantzville.ca or Municipal Hall.

Water Main Flushing

Between March 15th and April 15th the District's water system will undergo annual routine maintenance, including flushing of waterlines to remove sediment and maintain good water quality, as well as fire hydrant maintenance. Flushing is achieved by releasing water in the mains through fire hydrants and stand pipes. This causes a bubbling of air which may discolour the water. No chemicals are added to the system. While this should not affect the quality of drinking water, we recommend that laundry be done on weekends or evenings to avoid possible discolouration of clothes, etc. Our apologies for any inconvenience.

Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel

The Parcel Tax Roll is available for inspection at the Municipal Hall during regular office hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday excluding holidays. A person who owns a parcel included on the parcel tax roll may request that the roll be amended respecting a matter referred to in Section 205(1) [complaints to review panel] of the *Community Charter*, but only in relation to the person's own property, for one or more of the following reasons.

- There is an error or omission respecting a name or address on the parcel tax roll;
- There is an error or omission respecting the inclusion of a parcel;
- An exemption has been improperly allowed or disallowed.

For the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel to consider a complaint, the complaint must be received in writing, not later than 4:00 pm, Thursday, March 22, 2018 to the attention of the Director of Financial Services. For more information, visit www.lantzville.ca.

Solid Waste Management Plan for Region

The Regional District of Nanaimo's (RDN) draft Solid Waste Management Plan proposes a 90% waste reduction goal over the next ten years. What do you think? Take the survey at getinvolved.rdn.ca/swmp to help the RDN plan for sustainable solid waste management. Chance to win a \$100 VISA gift card. Survey closes March 16, 2018.

Happy Easter! The Municipal Hall will be closed on Friday, March 30 and Monday, April 2, 2018. Regular office hours (8:00 am–4:00 pm) will resume on Tuesday, April 3, 2018. Please call [1.888.826.8271](tel:1.888.826.8271) to report any after-hours Public Works emergency, and they will contact on-call staff on your behalf. For other emergencies, dial 911.

BYLAW REMINDERS

Outdoor burning – From October 16th to May 14th, residents are permitted to burn in their backyards without a permit. Conditions apply. Confirm *before* you burn! Call Ministry of Environment at [1.888.281.2992](tel:1.888.281.2992) and follow the prompts to hear Environment Canada's daily ventilation index for Central Vancouver Island to confirm if burning is permitted. Outdoor burning is restricted when the index is POOR or FAIR. The conditions must be GOOD on the day you burn and GOOD or FAIR the following day in order to burn per the burning bylaw. A clear sunny day is NOT a reliable indicator – you must check the ventilation index. Burn materials as hot as possible (to reduce smoke and ash), burn infrequently and ONLY when venting permits, so the smoke goes straight up. Fire supervision, size of fire and burn materials are also regulated. Comply with Bylaw No. 86 and 86.1 (lists prohibited materials). An open air fire (aka burn pile, bonfire, backyard fire) is for yard clean-up - no prohibited materials may be burned. Contact Fire Chief Neil Rukus at [250.390.2811](tel:250.390.2811) or nrukus@lantzville.ca.

Speed limits keep our neighbourhoods safe – The speed limit on streets in Lantzville is 50 km/h except where posted otherwise, e.g. portion of Lantzville Road 30 km/h. Remember to *SLOW DOWN* in residential areas and near school zones, crosswalks, and posted Children Playing signs. School Spring Break is March 18-30, 2018. Please be cautious on all streets during Spring Break, and in school zones when children return to school. When a school is in session, a 30 km/h school zone speed limit is in effect from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm every school day.

Remember to Spring Ahead/check smoke alarm – Set your clock forward one hour for the time change at 2:00 am on Sunday, March 11, 2018! Check your smoke alarm and change worn devices and batteries right away. Every home in BC is required by law to have a working smoke alarm. Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button, maintain and replace following the manufacturer's instructions.

FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Schedule Change Reminder - Your regular collection day in March is Monday, starting with garbage & food waste on March 5, 2018. Your regular collection day changes when there is a statutory holiday. Therefore, after the recycling & food waste collection on Monday, March 26th, collection resumes on Tuesday, April 3rd with garbage & food waste collection, and continues on Tuesdays in April.

Curbside Tip - RDN Beyond Composting green bins are designed in mind of curbside workers' safety who lift hundreds of bins every day. Visit www.rdn.bc.ca/curbside-collection for locations where to purchase a Beyond Composting green bin. Please make sure your curbside bins don't exceed the weight limit of 50 lbs. For garbage and recycling you can use any container, as long as the volume is less than 100 litres. Label your recycling bin with a Yellow Recycling sticker, available at Municipal Hall.