



District of Lantzville Community Update

Council Update, Upcoming Meetings, Huddlestone Park Playground Project, Lantzville Vol. Firefighters Assoc. Garage Sale, Minetown Day, Sanitary Sewer Phase III, Broombusting, Watermain Maintenance, Play Tennis/Pickleball, Mtn Bike Park

April 2018

Council Update – In March 2018, Council:

- reported on 2017 legal expenses
- appointed Snaw-Naw-As (Nanoose) First Nation Councillor Tom Bob to the Economic Development Strat. Plan & Community Branding Select Committee
- authorized the CAO to sign the new Collective Agreement with CUPE Local 401
- directed staff to prepare a new Water Connection Allocation Policy, including order of priority criteria
- instructed staff to refer the Draft Official Community Plan (OCP), as amended, to referral agencies for preliminary feedback prior to Council consideration of first reading of a new OCP bylaw
- directed staff to investigate and report on compliance with setbacks, the existing and draft OCP, and DP Area requirements; disposal plans; and why parkland dedication areas were cut, for the properties clear cut on Superior Road, Ware Road and Ronald Road
- appointed Trudy Coates as Chief Election Officer and Joan Harrison as Deputy CEO for the 2018 Election
- responded with no objections to the RDN amending the RDN Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1615, 2011 to implement the RDN Electoral Area 'H' OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 1335.6, 2017 through the minor amendment process
- requested a meeting with the Finance Minister regarding the application of the BC Speculation Tax to residential properties in the District of Lantzville
- directed staff to provide an analysis of tree regulation bylaws and related costs in similar-sized municipalities, and the feasibility of protection within development permit area regulations
- instructed staff to provide additional information regarding the Water Rate Comparison calculation
- requested staff prepare a report on the minimum parcel size allowed for a subdivision in process
- resolved to consider the progress of the Foothills development negotiations in relation to the covenant
- requested a meeting with City of Nanaimo Council to discuss proposed changes to the Water Agreement
- directed staff to report on background to the new development clause 6.6 in the Water Agreement
- appointed Jim Plasteras to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term ending December 2020.

Mayor's Office Hours

Tuesdays 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

Tuesday, April 3rd – 6:00 pm Economic Development Strategic Plan and Community Branding Select Committee

Monday, April 9th – 7:00 pm Regular Council

Tuesday, April 10th – 4:30 pm Special Parks and Recreation Commission

Monday, April 16th – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole

Thursday, April 19th – 4:30 pm Parks and Recreation Commission

Thursday, April 19th – 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm Drop-In Open House Huddlestone Park Playground Project

Monday, April 23rd – 7:00 pm Regular Council

Meetings are held in the Council Chamber, unless indicated otherwise. For more information visit www.lantzville.ca.

Huddlestone Park Playground Project

You and your family are invited to drop in to the Open House for the Huddlestone Park Playground Equipment Replacement Project, between 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at Municipal Hall. The Open House is being held to:

- Review survey feedback
- Present playground equipment options
- Collect comments on options

The Parks and Recreation Commission has been engaging the community to provide input to help the District prioritize the types of equipment preferred. Thank you to the students at Aspengrove and Seaview Elementary Schools for your input, and the 106 people who completed the survey! Congratulations to Garry Gaudet, winner of the draw for the \$50 Gift Certificate for participating. *Any individuals, groups or corporations interested in sponsoring playground equipment, please call 250.390.4006 or email: district@lantzville.ca*

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 in good condition! 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 on a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, between 6:00pm and 7:30pm, April 9 to 20, 2018.

Office Closed – The Municipal Hall will be closed on Friday, March 30 and Monday, April 2, 2018. Our regular office hours (8:00 am-4:00 pm) will resume on Tuesday, April 3, 2018. Please call [1.888.826.8271](tel:18888268271) to report any after-hours Public Works emergency.



Lantzville Minetown Day 2018!

Planning has started for the 2018 Minetown Day. Book your calendars for **Saturday, September 8, 2018!**

If you would like to be part of the planning group or if you would like to be involved in the event, in the parade, as a vendor, or in any other way, please get in touch with Julia at julia.ohly@gmail.com. We would love to hear from you!

Sanitary Sewer Phase III Project Update

As reported in last year's Q&A document, connection for properties in the Phase III Local Service Area is estimated to be available in 2019 or 2020. Project Update: Our engineers' work on the design will likely take another two or three months. When the design is complete, the Community Planner or Director of Public Works will contact the owners of property within the Phase III area, where necessary, to acquire easements (estimated to take another two or three months). After all of the easements are in place, the final design can be completed (estimate another month). As the design is finalized, a tender will be prepared and advertised at least one month. If tender results go to Council for award sometime in October or November, works could begin in late 2018/early 2019 in lower Lantzville, gradually making its way to upper Lantzville mid-2019. For more information, visit our website or email fimshue@lantzville.ca and fspears@lantzville.ca providing your email and property address. With your email address on file, it will be easier to send you copies of the plans first before we call to discuss.

Cut the Bloomin' Broom!

The District of Lantzville has partnered with the Broombusters Invasive Plant Society again this year to assist in controlling the alien invasive plant Scotch broom in our community. Help protect our environment from this invasive alien plant and enjoy some time with fellow residents. Currently, the following Lantzville community broom cuts are scheduled:

1. Saturday, May 5th 9:30 am
Lantzville Rd, Schook to Owen (meet near Schook)
2. Wednesday, May 9th 6:30 pm
As above
3. Saturday, May 12th 9:30 am
Highway northbound – Petsmart to Ware Road (meet at Lantzville/Owen Road)
4. Wednesday, May 16th 6:30 pm
As above
5. Wednesday, May 23rd 6:30 pm
Industrial Road (meet at Industrial/Ware Road)

Cuts are held rain or shine – loppers are provided!

Contact Sharon at sahokas@shaw.ca for further details. More cuts may be added as the blooming season progresses. For more info, check out the Broombusters' website (including a 'How to Cut Broom' video) at www.broombusters.org.

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.

Water Main Flushing Continues

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.

Attention Tennis & Pickleball Enthusiasts

Time to pick up your racket and head to the tennis court on School Road! Last Fall, the District painted pickleball lines on the tennis court on School Road so players of both sports (at different times, of course) can use the facility and maximize the underutilized court. We look forward to seeing more players (from both sports!) enjoying the tennis court.

Mountain Bike Skills Circuit at Rotary Park Needs Sunshine Before Work Completion

The mountain bike skills circuit contractor reports they (Hoots Inc.) need at least one to two weeks of good weather to dry out the pump track, so it can be compacted. After compaction is complete, the bike park will be open to the public.

FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Schedule Change Reminder - 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 until May 23rd when it moves to Wednesdays.