



District of Lantzville Community Update

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Volunteer Recognition, Aspengrove Students Interpretive Signage Project, Harvesting in Woodlot 1475, Bylaw Reminders

June 2018

Property Tax Notices Have Been Mailed!

Contact Municipal Hall at [250.390.4006](tel:250.390.4006) if you have not received your property tax notice by June 4th. Property taxes (including the signed Home Owner Grant required annually) must be received on or before the tax due date of Tuesday, July 3, 2018 to avoid a late penalty. Postmarks are not accepted as proof of payment. A 5% penalty applies on any outstanding balance at the end of July 3rd and October 1st this year.



New for 2018 - if you qualify for a Home Owner Grant, you can apply online (eHOG) after you receive your property tax notice in late May!

Ready for the General Local Election this Fall?

New to Lantzville? Voters listed on the Elections BC Voters List as Lantzville residents do not need to re-register. Visit elections.bc.ca to check or update your registration, or to register as a new voter in BC. You are eligible to vote in the District of Lantzville election if, on Voting Day, you are:

- ✓ a Canadian citizen;
- ✓ age 18 or older;
- ✓ a resident of BC for at least the past six months;
- ✓ a resident of the District of Lantzville OR a non-resident owner (a person, not a corporation, and the one owner designated by the owners to vote, if more than one owner) of property in the District of Lantzville, for at least the past 30 days; AND
- ✓ not disqualified by law from voting.

Voting Days are 8:00 am - 8:00 pm Wednesday, October 10th & 17th (Municipal Hall) & Saturday, October 20th (Costin Hall), to elect your new five-member Council and school board representatives for a four-year term.

Questions about voting, running for office or registering as a non-resident property owner elector? Visit the District website or contact the Chief Election Officer at tcoates@lantzville.ca or [250.390.4006](tel:250.390.4006).

Mountain Bike Skills Park Official Opening

You're invited to the Official Opening of the mountain bike skills circuit at Rotary Park! Join us for the ribbon-cutting, refreshments, cake, and biking fun. Ride ON!

When: 10:00 am, Saturday, June 23, 2018

Where: Rotary Park, 7308 Harby Road East

Bloomin' Broom Cut EXTENDED into June!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! Dates, times and locations of June cuts are to be determined. To help protect our environment from this invasive alien plant, contact Sharon at sahokas@shaw.ca for further details. View the 'How to Cut Broom' video) at www.broombusters.org.

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, June 11th – 7:00 pm Regular Council, including Public Hearing for Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 50.8 and Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 60.37 for The Learning Clinic proposed for 7170 Lantzville Road

Tuesday, June 12th – 6:00 pm Economic Development Strategic Plan and Community Branding Select Committee

Monday, June 18th – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole, if required

Thursday, June 21st – 4:30 pm Parks and Recreation Commission

Monday, June 25th – 7:00 pm Regular Council Meetings are held in the Council Chamber, unless indicated otherwise. For more information visit www.lantzville.ca.

Council Update – In May 2018, Council:

- approved the audited 2017 Financial Statements
- instructed updates to the Current & Proposed Development Cost Charge rate to remove the Blackjack and Clark area sewer grant; to include the Winds area and Owen Road to Lantzville Road to Rosalyn Crescent area in the sewer rate; to review the Table 21 Water DCCs to reflect the current situation and to review items included in the rate and the cost for the reservoir and associated works, and to report back to Council
- adopted Zoning Bylaw No. 60, 2005, Amendment Bylaw No. 60.36, 2018 regarding 7147 Aulds Road
- adopted 2018 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 148; Miscellaneous Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 155; Knarston Creek Overflow Local Area Service (LAS) Amendment Bylaw No. 156; Sanitary Sewer Collection System (SSCS) Phase 2 LAS Amendment Bylaw No. 157 and Phase 1 LAS Amendment Bylaw No. 158

Economic Action Strategy & Place Branding Project

Visit lantzvillebeyond.com/our-updates/ to see the results from the May 15th Workshop. Do you work-from-home or run a home-based business in Lantzville? We want to know how we can better support you! Take the three-minute anonymous survey here: bit.ly/LZhomebiz.

Office Closed – The Municipal Hall will be closed on Monday, July 2, 2018 for the Canada Day holiday. Our regular office hours (8:00 am - 4:00 pm) will resume on Tuesday, July 3, 2018. Please call [1.888.826.8271](tel:1.888.826.8271) to report any after-hours Public Works emergency.

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.

Thank You Community Volunteers!

Council acknowledges the many volunteers that serve our community, including Council committee members.

Economic Development Strategic Plan and Community Branding Select Committee – Members: Wendy Campbell (Chairperson), Councillor Will Geselbracht, Sarah Wallbank, Deb Melenchuk, Darwin Mahlum, Doug English, Ronnie Jackson and Snaw-Naw-As Councillor Tom Bob. Meets with staff and the consultant to provide feedback and advises Council on developing an economic development and community branding strategy.

Parks and Recreation Commission – Members: Councillor Dot Neary (Chairperson)/Alternate Councillor Will Geselbracht, Paul Manhas, Liette Masse, Julia Ohly, Karen Proctor, and Joy Tretick. Works with volunteers on Minetown Day (*mark Saturday, September 8, 2018 on your calendar!*), plans for future projects and provides advice to Council on parks, trails and recreation issues. Interested in parks and recreation? Apply to serve on the Commission.

Aspengrove Students Help Design Copley Ridge Recreation Trail Interpretive Signage



Parks and Recreation Commission members (Councillor Will Geselbracht, Liette Masse & Julia Ohly) and Acting Mayor Bob Colclough recognized Aspengrove School students Christopher Jacobson,

Stephen Olefs, and Amanda Thompson, for their work on the Copley Ridge Recreation Trail interpretive signage.

Harvesting in two areas of Woodlot 1475

Reminder: Please use caution when hiking and biking on the Copley Ridge Recreation Trail within Woodlot 1475 due to harvesting in progress. For your safety and the safety of others, please adhere to all signage posted by the Woodlot Management. Visit www.woodlot1475.com for more information. A map is posted on the District's website.

Invasive Plants: Are plants that are not native to BC and cause environmental and economic harm, e.g. knotweed can cause serious damage to foundations, driveways and septic systems, and Giant Hogweed can cause severe skin burns, scarring and temporary or permanent blindness. See www.worksafebc.com Hogweed Alert for first aid info. For info on how to prevent or reduce their spread, and how to *remove invasive species on your property*, visit a garden centre, www.gov.bc.ca, www.bcinvases.ca, or www.reportaweedbc.ca.

Food Waste, Garbage and Recycling

Schedule Change Reminder – Your regular collection day only changes when there is a statutory holiday. In June your collection day will be on Wednesdays starting with recycling and food waste on June 6, 2018 until after Canada Day, when it resumes on Thursday, July 5, 2018 with recycling and food waste.

Bylaw Reminders

Burning Ban in Effect – OPEN FIRES are PROHIBITED, including burn barrels, backyard burning, incinerators (all permits suspended), burn piles, burning grass, fireworks, binary exploding targets, sky lanterns, outdoor burning, etc. and are not permitted on private and public property in the District of Lantzville. Small campfires are still allowed but, due to the drying conditions, could be banned at any time. A campfire must not exceed 0.61 m in size, only burn clean wood (no branches, yard waste, or pallets) or charcoal used for cooking, heating and ceremonial purposes, and be contained within a device or fixture. You must have someone in attendance and you cannot burn yard debris or prohibited materials. Please fully extinguish any campfire after use, stay a safe distance away from combustibles and be considerate of your neighbors. Beach Fires follow the basic description of a campfire and will be prohibited once the campfire ban is imposed. The following additional considerations must be followed. Beach Fires are only allowed between 6:00 am and 11:00 pm, MUST be extinguished before 11:00 pm and MUST be placed below the high tide line away from combustibles like drift logs. NO PALLETS are to be burned, only clean fire wood. Questions? Contact the Fire Chief at nrukus@lantzville.ca or 250.390.2811 or visit www.lantzville.ca, for Outdoor Burning & Permit Information including the Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 86, prohibited materials (Bylaw No. 86.1), and Coastal Fire Centre Bulletin and poster.

TO REPORT a FIRE: Dial 9-1-1

a FOREST FIRE: Dial 1.800.663.5555

Or on a Cell Dial *5555

a BEACH FIRE: 1.877.952.7277

NOTE: Monitor the District's website for current status, to confirm if a total fire ban has gone into effect.

Stage 2 Watering Restrictions – Effective June 1st

Under Stage 2 watering restrictions, sprinkling is permitted between the hours of 7:00 am to 10:00 am OR 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm for **a maximum of 2 hours every other day** on the following days:

- Odd-numbered addresses on odd-numbered days
- Even-numbered addresses on even-numbered days

Sprinkling includes watering lawns, ornamental shrubs, flowers and trees and use of pop-up spray, rotors and sprinklers. Putting in a new lawn? Apply for a new lawn permit. The following are permitted at any time in Stage 2: hand-watering, drip irrigation, and micro irrigation; washing vehicles, boats, and houses (siding) if using a hose with a shutoff device; filling fountains, pools, or hot tubs; pressure washing walkways, driveways and siding. Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from all watering restrictions but watering in the early morning or in the evening is recommended due to less evaporation. Private wells are not subject to municipal watering restrictions, but conservation is encouraged because water is a shared resource. *Tap into Water Conservation* – A healthy lawn only needs one inch of water per week!

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