



District of Lantzville Community Update

Municipal Hall Closure, 2019 Property Tax Notices, Lantzville Road Design Open House, Council Update, Fire Trucks Sale, Broombusters, Minetown Day 2019, Volunteer

Statutory Holiday Closure

The Municipal Hall will be closed for the Victoria Day holiday on Monday, May 20, 2019. Regular office hours (8:00 am–4:00 pm) will resume on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. Please call **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**.

2019 Property Tax Notices

Property tax notices will be mailed in late May. Property owners who do not receive their property tax bill by the first week of June – particularly new owners – should contact the Municipal Hall immediately. Property tax payment and your completed Home Owner Grant, if applicable, must be received no later than July 2, 2019 to avoid penalty. A 5% penalty applies on any outstanding balance at the end of July 2nd and September 30th. The municipality has no authority to waive or modify these penalty amounts, which are required by the *Community Charter*.

After you receive your property tax notice and if you qualify for a Home Owner Grant, you can claim your Home Owner Grant online by visiting the District's website at www.lantzville.ca and clicking on this icon:



Lantzville Road Design Public Open House

The District is excited to announce that we are creating a detailed streetscape concept design of Lantzville Road in the Village Core! This project is part of the implementation of the Village Commercial Core Improvement Plan endorsed by Council in January of this year. We will be holding a drop-in public open house from 4:00 pm – 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 9th at Costin Hall to share design concepts and to get input from the community that will help inform the design. Once the design is complete, we will be scheduling a second open house (date TBD) to provide the community with an opportunity to comment on the design.

Mayor's Office Hours

Fridays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Please call Municipal Hall at 250.390.4006 if you wish to book an appointment with Mayor Swain.

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, May 6th – 7:00 pm Regular Council

Thursday, May 9th – 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Lantzville Road Design Drop-In Public Open House

Thursday, May 16th – 6:00 pm Parks and Trails Select Committee

Monday, May 27th – 7:00 pm Regular Council

For more information visit www.lantzville.ca and click on the meeting date on the calendar or visit Municipal Hall.

Council Update – In April 2019, Council:

- adopted Emergency Program Bylaw No. 178
- adopted Waterfront Park Land Acquisition Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 179 and Park Land Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 181
- approved \$15,000 from the Village Core Improvement Reserve Fund to complete a professional streetscape design for the Village Core in 2019, including holding two public input workshops
- added a three-year member term to the Parks and Trails Select Committee Terms of Reference
- instructed staff to provide a letter and Encroachment Agreement to each landowner who has an encroachment into Lantzville Road noting it may be required to be removed at the sole cost of the landowner in the future
- authorized a Development Permit with variances for 7147 Aulds Road to facilitate a 2-lot subdivision
- gave 2019 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 169 first three readings
- instructed staff to prepare a Code of Conduct based on the Union of BC Municipalities and City of Nanaimo models
- gave Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 185 first and second reading, passed motions to ban beach fires and install signage, and for staff to amend the bylaw to incorporate the ban prior to consideration of third reading
- adopted Parks and Recreation Commission Bylaw No. 46, 2006, Repeal Bylaw No. 186, 2019
- adopted Reserve Fund Reallocation Bylaw No. 187, 2019
- gave Regional Parks and Trails Parcel Tax and Assessment Roll Preparation Bylaw No. 56, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 191, 2019 first, second and third reading
- gave Development Cost Charge Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 192, 2019 first, second and third reading
- instructed staff to make amendments to OCP Draft #3
- appointed members to the Economic Development & Sustainability and to the Parks and Trails Committees

Two Used Fire Trucks For Sale by Sealed Bids

Visit www.lantzville.ca for more information to submit sealed bids by 2:00 pm, Friday, May 31, 2019.

Cut the Broom When it is Blooming!

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. Thursdays, May 2nd, 9th, 23rd, & 30th 9:30 am
Highway Northbound (meet at Lantzville/Owen Rd)
2. Sunday, May 5th 9:30 am
Petsmart Triangle (meet at Petsmart parking lot)
3. Saturday, May 18th 9:30 am
E&N Trail (meet at Ware Rd)
4. Sunday, May 26th 9:30 am
Industrial Rd (meet at Ware Rd)

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.

Lantzville Minetown Day 2019!

Planning has started for the 2019 Minetown Day. Book your calendars for **Saturday, September 7, 2019!**

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!

Parks and Trails Select Committee Vacancy

The District of Lantzville is seeking **one more resident to serve as members at large on the new Parks and Trails Select Committee** for a three-year term. Are you a resident of Lantzville who wants to have a say in the future of a wide range of parks and trails issues in your community?

The purpose of this select committee is to advise and provide recommendations to Council on matters relating to parks or trails creation, dedication, development, improvement, maintenance, use, intermunicipal cooperation and on other matters referred to it by Council. The Committee also leads volunteers conducting the annual Minetown Day. For more information (Committee Terms of Reference, Council Committee System Policy No. 3000-12, Committee Volunteer Application), visit www.lantzville.ca or the Municipal Hall.

Appointments are on a volunteer basis and members serve without remuneration. The Committee will meet on the third Thursday of each month (or as required at a minimum of twice annually) at 6:00 pm at the Municipal Hall.

To be considered for appointment by Council, please submit a Committee Volunteer Application **no later than 4:00 pm Wednesday, May 1, 2019** to: Director of Corporate Administration, District of Lantzville, 7192 Lantzville Road, PO Box 100, Lantzville, BC V0R 2H0 or tcoates@lantzville.ca.

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Phone: 250.390.4006 Fax: 250.390.5188 General Email: district@lantzville.ca Web: www.lantzville.ca Twitter: @DOLantzville

BYLAW REMINDERS

Open Burning – From October 16, 2018 to May 14, 2019, residents are permitted to burn in their backyards (permitted combustible materials only, less than 1.2 metres high and less than 1.8 metres in diameter, and **subject** to venting index) without a permit, **subject** to conditions and Bylaw No. 86. Prohibited materials include items in the recycling program (e.g. paper, food waste, cardboard, etc.) and items in the Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation (e.g. demolition waste, domestic waste, tires, etc.). Visit the Ministry website: www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/bcairquality/readings/ventilation-index.html for venting information, click on Ventilation Index and search the daily Ventilation Index for CNTRL VAN ISLD to confirm if burning is GOOD, otherwise burning is prohibited. Questions? Contact the Fire Chief at 250.390.2811 or visit www.lantzville.ca for Outdoor Burning & Permit Information including the Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 86 and prohibited materials list (Bylaw No. 86.1). **Watch for new regulations in effect after Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 185 is adopted, likely in late May.**

Stage 1 Watering Restrictions – Effective May 1st

Under the watering restrictions, in Stage 1, sprinkling is permitted on any day between the hours of 7:00 pm and 7:00 am. 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 1: 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 – less evaporation. *Private wells are not subject to municipal watering restrictions, but conservation is encouraged because water is a shared resource.*

Graffiti/Tagging – Is a criminal act; please report details to the RCMP (250.754.2345) who will investigate to identify the culprits and recommend charges to the Crown. If you would like to see specific graffiti/tagging cleaned up, please also contact our contracted Bylaw Enforcement services at the Regional District of Nanaimo (bylawservices@rdn.bc.ca or 250.390.6559). You will need to provide location details for staff to enforce the Unsightly Premises Bylaw that requires the property owner to remove or cover up any graffiti or tagging on their property.

Check out the new accessible Municipal Hall front door – now it has an automatic door opener!

FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Schedule Change Reminder - Your regular collection day in May is Wednesday, starting with garbage & food waste on May 1, 2019 and changes after a statutory holiday. Therefore, collection continues on Wednesdays until May 23rd and then, after the Victoria Day long weekend, it resumes with recycling & food waste on Thursday, May 23rd. For more information, visit www.lantzville.ca.