



#### **Upcoming Dates**

April 1st - Municipal Hall Closed **Easter Monday** 

April 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm Regular Council Meeting

April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting

April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm Regular Council Meeting



#### **Council Meetings**

Visit lantzville.ca and click on the meeting date on the calendar to access Council agendas, minutes, link to livestream, Zoom registration and video recordings. The start time of open meetings may vary if a closed portion is required at the beginning of the meeting.



### **Municipal Hall Hours**

Monday-Friday (except holidays) By phone or email: 8:00 am-4:00 pm

In-person payment & document drop-off: 8:30 am-4:00 pm After-hours Public Works emergency call: 1.888.826.8271 All other emergencies call:

911

#### **District of Lantzville**

7192 Lantzville Road, PO Box 100, Lantzville BC VOR 2H0 P: 250.390.4006 F: 250.390.5188 district@lantzville.ca lantzville.ca

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#### **APRIL 2024**

## **COMMUNITY UPDATE**

An electronic version of the Community Update is also emailed (via Constant Contact) to those who subscribe. We encourage you to sign up to receive the Update electronically, as distribution will be fully electronic starting January 2025. Visit lantzville.ca to sign up to receive updates by email.

## Landscaping: The FireSmart Way



With spring just around the corner, now is the perfect time to make your yard beautiful and FireSmart. Explore the newly updated Landscaping Hub firesmartbc.ca/landscaping-hub/ where you'll discover a wealth of resources, tips, and expert guidance to help you. Some of the new resources available include our Mulch Guide and Hedge Guide, which will teach you some best practices when caring for your yard. Whether you're just starting to think about landscaping or you're already underway, this comprehensive guide will empower you to make informed decisions and take proactive steps to protect your property and community from the threat of wildfire.

> Remember Outdoor Burning is prohibited April 16th- October 14th. Visit lantzville.ca/outdoor-burning for more information or email nrukus@lantzville.ca.

#### **Curbside Collection Calendar**

April 2024						
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31	1	0	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	1	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

The Regional District of Nanaimo manages the contract for garbage, recycling and food waste collection in the region. For questions or concerns regarding your Curbside Collection contact the Regional District of Nanaimo at:

P: 250.390.6501 or E: curbside@rdn.bc.ca





## **Annual Water Main Flushing**

Public Works will be conducting routine fire hydrant maintenance and waterline flushing during April. No chemicals are used during the process and the quality of your drinking water is not affected. Beware, however, that your tap water may be discoloured so we recommend your laundry times are limited to evenings or the weekends during this period.

## Stage 1 Watering Restrictions Effective April 1st

Under Stage 1 watering restrictions, sprinkling is permitted on any day between the hours of 7:00 pm-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 watering permit by visiting Municipal Hall or emailing district@lantzville.ca. 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 as there is less evaporation. Private wells are not subject to municipal watering restrictions, but conservation is encouraged because water is a shared resource.

## **Recreation Opportunities**

#### **District of Lantzville**

- Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm, Seaside Community Society
   Planning (SCS) Movie Night: "Immigration" at Costin Hall
- Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am-12:00 pm Volunteer Firefighters Association Firefighter Car Wash Fundraiser (by donation) at Lantzville Fire Hall
- Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm-7:00 pm SCS Clothing Swap Drop-off at Costin Hall
- Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00 am-12:00 pm SCS Clothing Swap Shop at Costin Hall
- Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am-5:00 pm Annual Art Show & Sale at Costin Hall.

#### **City of Nanaimo**

- Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> is Earth Day at Bowen Park
- Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am-11:15 am Stroll with a Pro at Buttertubs Marsh – A *free* program that includes a workshop with a biologist on local Birds of Prey.
- Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm Musical entertainer, Kyle Shepard, will be at Bowen Complex. The \$4.00 fee includes tea, coffee, and a mixture of treats afterwards.
- Registration for spring and summer programs are open at www.nanaimo.ca/ActivityGuide/.

#### **Regional District of Nanaimo**

- Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am-2:00 pm Science in the Park

   Free drop in Moorecroft Regional Park
- Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm-5:00 pm Superhero Swim at Ravensong Aquatic Centre in Qualicum Beach.

## **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 Scotch broom plant in our community. Help protect our environment from this invasive plant and enjoy some time with fellow residents. The first cut of the season is scheduled for: Harwood Drive (between Spence's Way and the Foothills bridge), Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am-11:30 am. More cuts will be added as the blooming season progresses. Watch for signs in your

season progresses. Watch for signs in your neighbourhood and weekly on-line postings. Cuts are held rain or shine - loppers are provided! Contact Sharon at <a href="mailto:sahokas@shaw.ca">sahokas@shaw.ca</a> for further details, to borrow loppers, or add your name to the email list. For more info, check out the Broombusters' website (including a 'How to Cut Broom' video) at: <a href="https://www.broombusters.org">www.broombusters.org</a>.

## **Accessibility Advisory Committee**

The District of Lantzville is now accepting applications for ONE (1) volunteer member at-large to serve on the Accessibility Advisory Statutory Committee for a term expiring December 31, 2024. The purpose of the Accessibility Advisory Statutory Committee is to support accessibility planning in Lantzville. For more information, including Terms of Reference and application form, visit lantzville.ca or Municipal Hall.

# Short-Term Rentals (AirBnB, VRBO, etc.)

A short-term rental is permitted in most residential zones in the District of Lantzville as a home-based business. Check the zoning of any property you are considering, to confirm if a Home Business is a permitted use. Please see Section 2.2 of the Zoning Bylaw 180, 2020:

## www.lantzville.ca/cms/wpattachments/wpID478atID6 609.pdf

Short-term rental regulations include:

- property owner must reside on the property on which a short-term rental is taking place.
- must not be operated on the same property on which a bed and breakfast is being operated.
- must not be operated in a dwelling unit that contains more than three sleeping units.
- maximum number of guests in a short-term rental at any given time is six.
- a business licence is required, visit: www.lantzville.ca/cms.asp?wpID=924
- may be a secondary suite provided the owner of the property lives in the primary dwelling on the same parcel.

For more information, email planning@lantzville.ca or call 250.933.8093.

## **Temporary Superior Road Closure**

On Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:45 am until 2:30 pm, Superior Road will be closed to all traffic except for the residents in the affected area from Lantzville Road to the Island Hwy. During this temporary closure:

- Lantzville Fire Rescue, along with its automatic aid partners, will be conducting a certification test for the Superior Tender Shuttle Service accreditation.
- This test will take place at the Lantzville Fire Hall at 7580 Superior Road
- Water tenders will be moving water along Island Hwy 19, Lantzville Road and Superior Road
- There will be flag people at some of the fill locations along Lantzville Road to control traffic while the tenders are using the fire hydrants.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and patience during this exercise important for emergency response.

**Did you know?** The District of Lantzville cannot act on anonymous tips or complaints. For a complaint to be actionable, you must complete and submit a bylaw complaint form complete with name and address:

www.lantzville.ca/cms/wpattachments/wpID844a tID6477.pdf