

# News from the Municipality

## Mayor's Message



Hello Lions Bay,

We have many new families to the Village. Take a minute to find out about your new neighbors (here) and why they chose Lions Bay to move to.

- · To Sunset Drive The Oziewicz's.
- · To Sweetwater The Kishi's.
- · To Seaview The Udow's
- · To Upper Oceanview Carla Babcock and Andre Schorlemmer
- · To Crosscreek Bonnie Farquhar and Alex Mrazek and their sons.

On behalf of all of us, a big thank you to Victoria Rogers and her team of many for organizing the Olympic Rally. There was quite a buzz created leading up to the event, and hundreds of us enjoyed it last week. What a way to come out of a pandemic! Our own Madison Mailey and the Women's 8 rowing team finished 1<sup>St</sup> and were gold medal winners. They did us proud and we welcome Madison home. Read the North Shore's article and watch the clip if you missed out!

Last time I wrote to you I mentioned we were in pursuit of 3 outstanding grants (LB Beach Rejuvenation - \$785k, Bayview Road Drainage and Water Improvement Project (DWIP) - \$1.66 million, and the Emergency Building Expansion - \$499k.) 162 Municipalities in BC, 3,573 Municipalities across Canada, vie for the same under funded and over subscribed grants. The competition is fierce and we are always punching above our weight class.

It disappoints me to say that we were recently advised we were not awarded the DWIP funding which is our most expensive "need to do" infrastructure project. This was our second grant application for this project. Clearly, we are going to have to do this one alone without assistance.

Now for the good news - MP Patrick Weiler for the Government, and Minister Bowinn Ma for the Province were here Tuesday to announce we have been awarded the Emergency Building Expansion grant. The news release is <a href="here">here</a> and check out the photos of the announcement below. Detailed plans will be developed for a construction tender to be let this fall with a view to completing next on this 100% grant funded Fed/Prov improvement to the Klatt Building. Thank you, staff and Chief Oliver, for putting the compelling application together.

On Tuesday evening Council doubled down on the aforementioned Beach Park Rejuvenation Project by requesting staff submit a grant application specific to the washrooms. It is a similar type of grant to the Klatt Building improvement wherein it is suited to smaller requests and there is a short fuse to the submission and timetable to a decision.

I'm not holding my breath on either grant application, but am hopeful that with the Feds going to the polls, likely in October, that they will be generous with one of our grant applications before they do so. If there is disappointing news, we won't be waiting any longer to begin work on improvements. As Plan "C", we have budgeted for and would move forward on the washrooms, playscape, and kayak racks in the Fall with a view to completing by next Summer.

Council's last meeting until September 14th was Tuesday evening. It's been a long year to date, but a lot has been accomplished. Not every Mayor has exceptional Councillors like I do, who are very involved and demonstrate confidence and leadership at every turn. We are supported by our outstanding executive and professional staff. Council pushes them hard all year. I would be remiss if I didn't mention how appreciative I am of LBFR and LB S&R who keep our Village and our visitors safe. Then there are our volunteers. Individuals who simply do good and committees that are flourishing like never before. I truly count my blessings (not sheep) at night. Between now and the latter date is when we all start to take holidays before we come back refreshed for the last quarter of the year, and the final year of the sitting Council's mandate.

While we will be here most of the time, Mary and I will be on "Reel Magic" in the Gulf Islands for part of the break. We feel very fortunate to have time together, being active and outdoors, and with family near us.

As always, please reach out if you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns that I may be able to assist with. Keep well and enjoy the Summer,

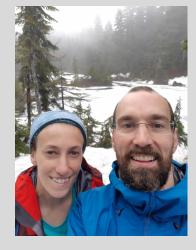
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The Oziewicz's (top left), the Kishi's (top right), the Udow's (2nd left), Carla Babcock and Andre Schorlemmer (2nd right), Bonnie Farquhar and Alex Mrazek and their sons (3rd left), Women's rowing 8 crew (below), Mayor Ron McLaughlin, MLA Bowinn MA, MP Weiler (bottom)







### **EVACUATION PREPAREDNESS**

The 3 most important things you need to doNOW

Without a doubt, we're all hyper-aware of the wildfire situation this year. How will you find out about an evacuation alert/order in the fastest possible way? And how should you prepare for the worst?

- 1. The most important thing you should do RIGHT NOW is to sign up for <u>Lions</u>
  <u>Bay Alert</u>. It's the fastest, surest way to receive emergency notices
  wherever you are. If your details have changed, please <u>update them now</u>.
- 2. <u>Prepare grab-and-go bags</u> for each member of your household, including pets.
- 3. Read the evacuation brochure published in May and acquaint yourself with what to expect in the event of an evacuation. Familiarize yourself with the map and the zone you are in. If you're unable to print it, copies to keep with your grab-and-go bag are available from the office.

Remember, in an emergency, you'll receive information and directions specific to the situation. Please follow the instructions of emergency personnel on the ground or received via Lions Bay Alert. This is why it's so important to <u>sign up for Lions</u> Bay Alert.

Deputy Emergency Program Coordinator Robert Whitney
Councillor Neville Abbott
Councillor Fred Bain
Fire Chief Andrew Oliver
Lions Bay Search and Rescue Manager Ed Langford



CLICK HERE FOR COASTAL WILDFIRE NEWS



When it's hot outside, it can be easy to get dehydrated or suffer from a heatrelated illness. Learn more about how you can beat the heat to keep yourself and your family safe and healthy.

- BC Hydro: Summer home cooling tips
- Fraser Health: Sun and heat safety
- Government of Canada: Staying Healthy in the Heat

- Government of Canada: Sun safety basics
- Government of Canada: You're active in the heat. You're at risk!
- Island Health: Heat Safety
- Island Health: Sun Protection
- Sun Safety for Children (HealthLinkBC File #26)
- Ultraviolet Radiation (HealthLinkBC File #11)

#### Warm Weather Safety and COVID-19

Those who are wearing a mask and have difficulty breathing are advised to remove their mask and catch their breath, whether they are indoors or outside. Visit **BCCDC** for more information.

#### **Hot Car Warning**

Never leave a child or pet alone in a vehicle, even for a few minutes. If you come across a child or animal in distress that has been left in a hot vehicle, call **9-1-1**. Find more information on **Canada Safety Council: Hot Car Warning** 





With scenes like the one in this photo (left) becoming the norm across the region, we need to start thinking consciously about water consumption and how we can improve our water conservation habits.

For tips on how to conserve water, read our <u>Water</u> <u>Conservation Brochure</u> and let's get a head start on practicing good habits now so we can all do our part to ensure adequate fire fighting supplies when the time comes, if needed.

Given the hot weather this summer, the lack of rain to recharge the watersheds and the extreme fire danger rating, it's just a matter of time before we'll need to move from Level 1 to Level 2 water restrictions, and potentially Level 3 if the drought continues.

Under current Level 1 Conservation the following restrictions apply:

Sprinkling can only occur between 4 a.m. - 9 a.m. as follows:

- Even numbered addresses on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays
- Odd numbered addresses on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays

Under Level 2 restrictions, sprinkling will drop to only one day a week and several other provisions kick in with respect to watering gardens and not watering

impermeable surfaces. For more details on what can and can't be done, See Outdoor Water Conservation Measures, Levels 1 to 3 here.

Please note that Bylaw Enforcement Officers will be watching for contraventions which are subject to a \$100.00 fine.

Please provide any feedback or comments to Public Works via email at works@lionsbay.ca.

#### metrovancouver | AIR QUALITY



Metro Vancouver is now issuing an Air Quality Advisory for eastern Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley Regional District because of high concentrations of ground-level ozone that are expected to persist for the next couple of days during the hot and sunny weather. The current forecast indicates hot temperatures through Saturday, with some cooling on Sunday.

Metro Vancouver is also monitoring conditions associated with wildfire smoke from fires burning in the interior of B.C. and Washington. Wildfire smoke models are forecasting that smoke from these fires may reach parts of Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley Regional District on Saturday and continuing in to Sunday. A change in the weather on Monday is forecast to bring onshore winds to help clear the smoke. Smoke concentrations may vary widely across the region as winds and temperatures change, and as wildfire behaviour changes.

### Click here for Air Quality Data



Throughout August, community events, vax vans, pop-up clinics and mobile clinics will be up and running in dozens of communities in B.C. to get more people vaccinated with their first and second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.

Additionally, drop-ins are now welcome at all VCH clinics on a first-come, first-served basis, depending on your eligibility and vaccine availability. People 12+ are eligible to be vaccinated and you are eligible for a second dose at 49 days

after your first dose. Click a location name <u>here</u> to see a <u>Google map</u> of all VCH vaccination clinics.





BC Hydro has reschedule the power outage to August 5th from 8:00am to 3:00 pm (estimated and weather dependent). Check the locations <a href="here">here</a>.

To find ways to prepare and get the latest status, visit: <a href="https://www.bchydro.com/safety-outages.html">https://www.bchydro.com/safety-outages.html</a>.



# **What's Happening in Lions Bay**



## **GOLD MEDAL WIN!**

Congratulations to Lions Bay's very own Madison Mailey and the team of 8 for winning the Olympic rowing gold medal!









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