



District of Lantzville Community Update

**2015 By-election, Minetown Day, Upcoming Meetings, Council Update, District Staffing
Bike Safety, Commission/Board Vacancies, Toilet Rebate Program, Traffic Notes & Bylaw Reminders**

August 2015



Happy BC Day!

The District Office will be closed on Monday, August 3, 2015 for BC Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 8:00 am.

By-election to elect four Councillors!

Mark **Saturday, August 8, 2015**, on your calendar to vote at Costin Hall, 7232 Lantzville Road to elect four Councillors to fulfill the remaining term of vacant Councillor positions. The second Advance Voting Day is **Wednesday, August 5, 2015** at the District Office, 7192 Lantzville Road – 2nd Floor (ballots are counted after voting closes August 8, 2015). Voting hours for each voting day are 8:00 am – 8:00 pm.

Can't attend on a Voting Day? Sign up for Mail Ballot Voting. Mail ballots are available now for pickup or mail delivery and must be returned and received by the CEO prior to the Voting Place closing at 8:00 pm on General Voting Day on Saturday, August 8, 2015.

Please note that it is an offence to steal or damage election signs. Report offences to the RCMP. For more voting information, check out the District's website and the special edition Community Update: By-election 2015, or contact Trudy Coates, Chief Election Officer (CEO) or Lynn Ketch, DCEO at the District Office, trudy@lantzville.ca or 250.390.4006.

Minetown Day Saturday, September 12th!

Residents and visitors are invited to join Lantzville in celebrating Minetown Day in Huddleston Park. The volunteer committee has been busy planning a day of activities and encourage you to come out and join the fun celebrating our heritage! Lantzville Got Talent will showcase our local participants of all ages at Minetown Day! Auditions/rehearsal for this non-competitive event will be announced prior to Minetown Day. Email swainm@shaw.ca for Lantzville Got Talent information. Email denisehaime@shaw.ca for parade or general information. Email jkmood@shaw.ca to volunteer. See Council Update for parade road closure information.

Mayor's Office Hours

Mayor Haime is available to meet with residents on:

Wednesdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

If you wish to make an appointment, please contact the District Office at 250.390.4006

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, August 31 – Special Council @ 7:00 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #257, 2nd Floor - 7225 Lantzville Road. Attend this Inaugural meeting as newly elected Councillors swear their Oath of Office and start their term on Council. Meet the new CAO!

Monday, September 14 – Regular Council @ 7:00 pm
Monday, September 28 – Regular Council @ 7:00 pm

Meetings are held at the District Office, 2nd Floor, 7192 Lantzville Road. For more Council meeting information visit www.lantzville.ca and click on meeting dates on the calendar, or the District Office to view the agenda.

Council Update - In July, Council:

- received the Wellfield Management Plan Stage 2 study reports and a presentation, for further discussion when the 7-member Council resumes
- awarded a \$96,678.23 contract to Copcan Civil Ltd. for the Phantom Road culvert replacement contract
- authorized closing a portion of Lantzville Road (7113 Lantzville Rd to Lantzville School Rd) from 10:00 am to 11:00 am on Saturday, September 12, 2015 to facilitate the Minetown Day parade
- released the 2014 Annual Municipal Report for public comment and for Council consideration at the 7:00pm September 14, 2015 regular Council meeting. View the report on-line or at the District Office.

District Staffing Update

In July, Council announced that Brad McRae will be joining the District as its Chief Administrative Officer, effective August 31, 2015. Mr. McRae will direct and manage the daily administration of the District, act as a liaison between Council and staff, and lead the District's employees, contract services and partners who implement Council's decisions and strategic goals, and deliver local government services to the citizens of Lantzville. We welcome Brad and his family, and wish them well on their move to the Island.

The period to apply for the permanent, currently part-time, exempt Director of Financial Services position closes at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, August 26, 2015. Visit the District website for more information on the Director of Financial Services responsibilities, qualifications and experience, and how to apply for this exciting career opportunity.

Childrens' Bicycle Road Safety Workshop

Taught by Peter McCaffery and coordinated by the Parks & Recreation Commission for children (age 8-10 yrs), held in four consecutive 2-hour sessions at Costin Hall on:

Monday, August 17, 2015 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
 Tuesday, August 18 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, August 19 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 Thursday, August 20 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Sign-up to attend the workshop by emailing Sarah Lee sarah@naturalcapital.ca Course includes riding in Huddlestone Park and on Lantzville Road. (Max. 20 kids)

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES

The District of Lantzville is accepting applications from individuals interested in volunteering for a three-year term (ending December 31, 2017), on the following:

Parks and Recreation Commission

Seven-member Commission responsible for making recommendations to Council on parks and recreation functions for the District of Lantzville and conducting the annual Minetown Day. The position requires energy, a willingness to undertake work outside of regular meetings, and a strong interest in the future outcome of parks and open spaces in the community, as well as a desire to contribute to the enhancement of recreation in Lantzville. The Commission meets at the District Office at 4:30 pm on the fourth Thursday of the month, except for August and December.

Board of Variance

Three-member Board responsible to provide independent adjudication of appeals (applications by property owners), primarily for minor variances to the land use bylaw regarding siting, size and dimensions of structures if compliance would cause an undue hardship. The Board meets at the District Office on the second Thursday of the month, as necessary, if an application is received. (Six meetings during the period 2009-2015)

A copy of the regulations that outline the structure, duties and responsibilities of the Commission (Bylaw No. 46.1) and the Board (Bylaw No. 2003-10/10.1 & *Local Government Act*, sections 899-902) are available at the District office or website. To be considered for appointment by Council to one of these committees, please submit a letter with a brief resume indicating if you are applying for the Commission or the Board, and highlighting your related interests and experience, **no later than 4:00 pm, Friday, September 4, 2015** to: Director of Corporate Administration, District Office or trudy@lantzville.ca.

Toilet Rebate Program

Visit the District website or office to learn how property owners connected to the community water system can apply for a rebate to replace up to two toilets with new low flush or dual flush models. Council authorized this water conservation initiative for 2015 through funding in the Financial Plan.

Traffic Notes – Under Construction!

The District's 2015-2019 Financial Plan, adopted in May 2015, included capital projects that you can expect to see in process over the next few months, including patching Clark Crescent, Sebastion Road and Lorenzen Lane, and re-paving Lancrest Terrace. The Fernmar Road watermain upgrade project is now complete, and the culvert replacement in Copley Brook at Phantom Road is underway. Motorists and pedestrians, please allow extra time, exercise caution, and observe directions given by traffic control personnel when in areas scheduled for roadwork and construction this year. Contact Director of Public Works at 250.390.4006 or spears@lantzville.ca.

Bylaw Reminders

Burning Ban in Effect – On June 10, 2015, the Fire Chief declared a burning ban for the District of Lantzville due to the extreme dry forest conditions. This means that no burning is permitted until the ban is lifted. This applies to any open fire including campfires and incinerator burning. Monitor the District's website for more information on the Fire Ban and view the Fire Protection Services Bylaws at www.lantzville.ca. Be Proactive. Be Safe. Be Ready! Remember, it just may be you who spots smoke! Program your phone to assist you in an emergency:

To report a fire: Call 9-1-1

To report a forest fire: Call 1.800.663.5555 or *5555 from a cellular phone

STAGE 4 Watering Restrictions Effective July 11th
ALL Outdoor Watering is Strictly Prohibited *except* for watering by hand, using a hose with an automatic shut off, trees, shrubs, flowers, and vegetables between the hours of 7:00 am and 9:00 am OR 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. **No washing of vehicles, boats, driveways, etc., and no filling of pools or hot tubs. NO AUTOMATIC LAWN SPRINKLING OR DRIP SYSTEMS ALLOWED. No New Lawn Sprinkling Permits will be Issued. NO EXCEPTIONS!** *Please note that watering restrictions only apply to those property owners who are on the District's community water system but we encourage those with private wells to also exercise water conservation measures.* Adhering to these water restrictions will assist in stabilizing our supply of potable water for household use and fire protection!

FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE CHANGE REMINDER

Your regular collection day changes when there is a statutory holiday. Therefore, after the garbage and food waste collection on Wednesday, July 29th, collection resumes on Thursday, August 6th with recycling and food waste pick-up, and continues on Thursdays for the month of August.