



District of Lantzville Community Update

**Holiday Hours, Five Year Financial Plan, OCP-WMP, Upcoming Meetings & Council Update
Canada 150, Parks & Recreation Commission, 2017 Grants In Aid, Emergency Social Services, Bylaw Reminders**

January 2017

Happy New Year! The District Office will be closed on Monday, December 26, 2016 through to Monday, January 2, 2017, inclusive. Regular office hours (8:00 am – 4:00 pm) will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. In case of a public works emergency call the after-hours answering service at 250.741.3335, who will contact District staff on your behalf.

Five Year Financial Plan 2017 - 2021

Council will begin its Financial Planning process in January and invites the public to provide feedback either in writing or by attending upcoming Committee of the Whole meetings. These meetings are open to the public. Committee of the Whole meetings are scheduled as follows:

- Monday, January 16th @ 6:00 pm
- Monday, February 6th & 20th @ 6:00 pm
- Monday, March 6th & 20th @ 6:00 pm



OCP Update & Water Master Plan

This past Fall, we've had the opportunity to listen to the Lantzville community's ideas and opinions about the future of land use and water, shared at Minetown Day, through Community Workshop #1, and during the Kitchen Table Meetings. Based on this input, a short list of options have been developed for public consideration.

COMING UP: On Wednesday, January 18, 2017 we'll be presenting these options at Community Workshop #2. Join us at Costin Hall from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm to:

- Review and discuss land use options for the Village Core, key potential development areas, and the community as a whole
- Look at the relationship between short-listed land use options and provision of water servicing to unserved neighbourhoods.

Following the January 18th workshop, the community-wide survey will be launched to collect public opinions on the options for land use and water service in the community. The input received through this survey will be used to inform the Draft OCP Update and Water Master Plan coming forward in Spring 2017.

For more information: visit Lantzville.ca/OCP-WMP, email us at ourlantzville@lantzville.ca or call the Community Planner at 250.390.4006.

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, January 9 – 7:00 pm Regular Council

Monday, January 16 – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole

Wednesday, January 18 – 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Community Workshop #2, Costin Hall, 7232 Lantzville Road – to explore potential directions for the draft Official Community Plan (OCP) Update and Water Master Plan.

Monday, January 23 – 7:00 pm Regular Council

For more information:

- visit www.lantzville.ca and click on the calendar to access agenda, agenda package, and minutes; OR
- visit the District Office to view the agenda binder which is available the Friday before the meeting.

Council Update – In December 2016, Council:

- designated Councillor Bob Colclough as the District of Lantzville contact for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Canada 150 Community Leaders Network
- authorized renewing the agreements for the Regional District of Nanaimo to provide services for the District of Lantzville for a term ending December 31, 2018, including contracts for Animal Control Services, Building Inspection, Bylaw Enforcement, Emergency Planning Services, and GIS and Mapping Services
- authorized the purchase of a computer network server and installation, and costs to re-purpose the replaced server (total cost up to \$13,500 plus taxes)
- instructed staff to bring forward Council Procedure Bylaw amendments for Council consideration to apply Council procedures to committees, and to describe procedures for a Council member returning to a meeting for the next item after declaring a conflict.

Pre-Authorized Payments for Utility Accounts

Are you a Snowbird, tired of writing cheques or just want to avoid unnecessary late payment penalties? Sign up for our Pre-Authorized Payment program for utility accounts. Visit the District website or District Office for an application form. Please contact staff at finance@lantzville.ca or 250.390.4006, or visit the District Office, if you have any questions.



Mayor's Office Hours – Change for Jan-Apr 2017

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.



Happy Sesquicentennial Anniversary, Canada!

The countdown on December 31, 2016 isn't just a countdown to a new year – it is the countdown to Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation! 2017 marks a significant

milestone for our country and for our community. Visit [Canada 150 - canada.ca](http://Canada150-canada.ca) for more information.

Interested in Parks & Recreation?

The District of Lantzville is accepting applications from individuals interested in volunteering to fill a vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Commission. The Commission meets at 4:30 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month, except for August and December. The seven-member Commission is responsible for making recommendations to Council on parks and recreation functions for the District of Lantzville and conducting the annual Minetown Day with help from volunteers. Visit the District website for more information. To be considered for appointment by Council to the Parks and Recreation Commission, email a letter with a brief resume highlighting your related interests and experience, before 4:00 pm, Wednesday, January 4, 2017 to trudy@lantzville.ca or deliver it to the District Office.

2017 Grants in Aid Applications

Early in 2017, Council of the District of Lantzville will consider applications for discretionary Grants in Aid for the 2017 calendar year. Funds available for grants are limited and subject to budgetary constraints. The primary purpose is to provide financial assistance to an organization for a specific project or event that benefits the residents of the District of Lantzville. The organization should be registered as a Society (or belong to a parent Society) under the laws of BC and/or Canada. Preference will be given to locally based organizations whose efforts are community based in nature. Council will not grant monies to a 'for profit' organization. Applications must be completed and submitted to the District Office, no later than *Wednesday, February 1, 2017*. Obtain an application form, including policy with guidelines, from the District Office or www.lantzville.ca.

Looking for a New Direction in 2017?

Lantzville's Emergency Social Services team invites you to join us!

Help wanted! Lantzville is building a community-based emergency response team to help evacuees during an emergency or disaster. Emergency Social Services (ESS) volunteers help through the first 72 hours following a disaster, with food, housing and other basic needs. You can become a vital part of helping others in our community, with a monthly meeting and occasional training workshops! Contact Roger Belanger, Lantzville ESS Volunteer Coordinator 250.390.8197 or clairrog@shaw.ca. Discover how ESS works for you, at www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Ie3vG353aM.

BYLAW REMINDERS

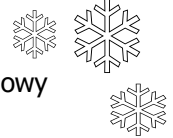
Fireworks Restricted - by Permit Only

The District of Lantzville requires that a permit be obtained from the District Office and approved by the Fire Chief *before* fireworks can be discharged.

No Water Restrictions in effect until further notice.

Winter is here! Are you prepared?

At this time of year we have maximum darkness, rain, and sometimes slippery or snowy conditions.



Pedestrians and drivers: Please dress and drive to suit the conditions. Be visible. Carry a flashlight. After a snowfall, expect minor delays, allow extra travel time and park off the road to allow plows and emergency vehicles space to pass. Don't abandon your car if it gets stuck, and please do not leave basketball hoops or equipment on the road right of way. This will allow better snow removal service in our neighbourhoods. Our contract with Windley Construction does identify which roads receive priority clearing during periods of heavy snowfall versus others. Our contractor's first priority is to clear 'Primary' roads, as follows:

- 1. Primary Roads** – Aulds, Dickinson, Lantzville, Superior and Ware (regional transit, school, and emergency access required).
- 2. Secondary Roads** – Examples of secondary roads are Caillet Road, Harwood Drive and Southwind Drive.

If snowfall is ongoing, the contractor will return to those Primary roads if snow continues to accumulate and, as a result, may not make it to Secondary roads, cul-de-sacs and side roads for twenty-four hours. If possible, stay off the roads during a snowfall and for safety reasons, do not use the roads as playgrounds. Be safe!



FOOD WASTE, GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE CHANGE

Your regular collection day changes when there is a statutory holiday. Therefore, after the recycling and food waste collection on Wednesday, December 28, 2016, collection resumes on Thursday, January 5, 2017 with garbage and food waste pick-up, and continues on Thursdays until after Family Day in February 2017. Place your container at the curb by 8:00 am.

Extra garbage from the holidays? Did you know that you can place a maximum of two extra garbage containers curbside on your collection day? Purchase a garbage tag (\$3.00) at the District Office, RDN Office (6300 Hammond Bay Road), Jingle Pot Store, Country Grocer (Chase River) or Quality Foods (Nanose Bay), for each additional garbage container (max.2/collection day).