

## Mayor & Council Update

Mayor & Council attended the 2019 UBCM convention in Vancouver. Council attended numerous Minister and Provincial staff meetings with a focus on partnering together to build a safe, healthy and sustainable community for Port Hardy and our region, which includes our Indigenous Nations.

### Resolutions brought forth by District of Port Hardy Council:

#### ISOLATION ALLOWANCE B22

Endorsed by UBCM

It is difficult to attract and maintain workers in the region. Other levels of government including the federal and provincial governments offer incentives to those who work in remote communities, therefore:

*BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial and federal governments provide a tax credit/deduction to all employees living in and around the same communities that those governments recognize with Isolation Allowance.*

#### REVENUE SHARING B23

Endorsed by UBCM

Every community that neighbours a natural resource should be equally benefitting from the taxes collected by the provincial government as the services for those companies are obtained from the local community, therefore:

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia consider revenue sharing of royalties and taxes with municipalities that provide services to those industries benefitting from the services of the adjoining municipalities.*

#### Meeting Highlights:

##### Hon. Doug Donaldson Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

- Community Forest expansion for the North Island and importance of revenues from other sources that alleviate the burden on taxpayers. *Thank you to Ione Brown and Dave Nelson, Directors on the North Island Community Forest for preparing the presentation to the Minister.*
- Concerns with the suspension of the Rural Dividend fund.

##### Hon. Carole James Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier

- Revenue sharing with the province on taxation received from local resources.
- Housing shortages for seniors and low income families and the need for support.

##### Hon. Claire Trevena Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

- Road maintenance concerns on the North Island including Holberg Road.
- Roadside clearing.
- The need for more pullouts for slower traffic along highway 19.

##### Hon. Lisa Beare Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture

- Possible funding opportunities for First Nations/ Municipal signage projects.

##### BC Hydro

- Two tier billing and concerns with the inability to use alternative sources such as natural gas.

##### Hon. Judy Darcy Minister of Mental Health and Addictions

- High poverty and addictions rate (both alcohol and illicit drugs).
- Mount Waddington Health Network and their initiatives around housing, transportation and the update to the 2012 Addictions & Recovery Plan.

##### Hon. Selina Robinson Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

- Revenue sharing with the province on taxation received from local resources.
- Multiplex Project and support from the Province through a grant.
- Housing needs for the region and support for those families living in poverty.

##### Hon. Mike Farnworth Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General & RCMP

- Workload and the need for more officers.
- Officer relocation taking considerable time and gaps in services during transition.
- Public intoxication continues to be an issue, possible alternative solutions such as managed alcohol programs.

##### BC Housing— Provincial Staff

- Concerns with local vacancy rate at 0.2% and shortage of housing for, seniors, low income, families and professionals.
- Support for the North Island Seniors Housing Foundation.



**DISTRICT  
OF  
PORT HARDY**



### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Dennis Dugas

Councillors: Pat Corbett-Labatt, Janet Dorward,  
Fred Robertson, Treena Smith  
John Tidbury, Leighton Wishart

### DEPUTY MAYOR

**John Tidbury— February 29, 2020**

### 2019 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS - 7:00 PM  
2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS OF EVERY MONTH

### SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

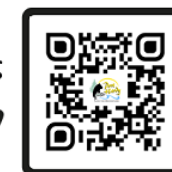
October 8 & 22 November 12 & 26

December 10

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### NEW PUBLIC MEETING PORTAL

Visit the District of Port Hardy's new Public Meeting Portal to subscribe & receive notifications of upcoming Council and Committee meetings!

NOW AVAILABLE live streaming of  
Regular Council meetings.  
Watch Council meetings online at:  
<https://porthardy.civivweb.net/Portal/>

# BROWN BAG LUNCH

Let's Start a Conversation



**CURIOUS** about what happens at Municipal Hall and want to engage with local government and your community? Members of the community are invited to drop in and chat with Mayor Dugas and Councillor Tidbury about what's happening in Port Hardy!

October 15, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM  
Hardy Bay Seniors' Centre, 9150 Granville St.  
&

October 23, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM  
Rendezvous Place, 9250 Trustee Rd.

## FEDERAL ELECTION VOTER INFORMATION



### ELECTION DAY

7:00 AM to 7:00 PM  
Monday October 21, 2019  
Port Hardy Civic Centre, 7400 Columbia St.

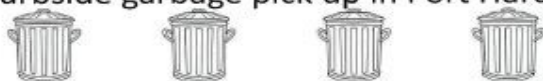
### ADVANCE POLLING DAYS

9:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Friday, October 11 · Saturday, October 12  
Sunday, October 13 · Monday, October 14  
Hardy Bay Senior Citizens' Centre, 9150 Granville St.

For more information about the federal election visit:  
<https://www.elections.ca/home.aspx>



Have your say about additional  
curbside garbage pick up in Port Hardy



Do you want to see curbside garbage picked up  
every week from May to October?



Take Survey

Visit [www.porthardy.ca](http://www.porthardy.ca) to take the  
survey or drop by the Municipal Hall at  
7360 Columbia Street or Scan the code  
with your smart phone camera.



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS**  
2 AM November 3rd Turn clocks BACK 1 HOUR

## PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes were due July 2, 2019.

- A 10% penalty has been added to outstanding balances on 2019 property taxes.
- Homeowner Grant: If you qualify you must submit the grant application either online at [www.porthardy.ca](http://www.porthardy.ca) or bring the completed form to the Municipal Hall by **December 31, 2019**.
- Didn't claim the 2018 Home Owner Grant? **Retroactive claims can be submitted until December 31, 2019.**

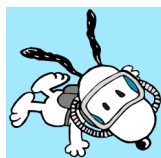


### HALLOWEEN FIREWORKS PERMIT REQUIRED!

Bylaw No. 05-2010 regulates the possession and discharge of fireworks in the District of Port Hardy. **A permit must be obtained** from the District of Port Hardy for the use of all fireworks including, but not limited to, Class F.1 Consumer Fireworks.

- Consumer fireworks may only be discharged between 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm on October 31st (Halloween) with a permit.
- Permit applications must be submitted to the District of Port Hardy no later than noon on October 31st (there is no fee).
- Permit applications for consumer or display fireworks events must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the event.

**For more information about how to apply for a fireworks permit, phone (250)-949-6665 or email [general@porthardy.ca](mailto:general@porthardy.ca)**



**FREE SWIMS**  
November 5 & December 3  
7 PM - 8:30 PM

**FREE SKATES**  
November 3 & December 1  
3:30 PM - 5 PM



FALL—WINTER Arena & Pool Schedules  
available at [porthardy.ca](http://porthardy.ca)

**Shake Out.**  
**Don't Freak Out.**

October 17, 2019

[www.ShakeOut.org](http://www.ShakeOut.org)



## FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

9 AM—12 PM, 7360 Columbia Street

October 21 · October 28  
November 18 · December 2  
December 9 & January 13 *\*as needed*.

Agendas to be available at:  
<https://porthardy.civicweb.net/Portal/>



**OCTOBER 31**

PLEASE WATCH for  
little ghosts, ghouls &  
other night goers!

### 2019 UTILITY DUE DATES

TIME PERIOD		DUE DATE
3rd Quarter	July August September	November 15
4th Quarter	October November December	February 18

**All outstanding utility charges not paid by the due date are penalized 2.5%.**

### MUNICIPAL HALL HOLIDAY HOURS

December 24  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm  
December 25 - 27  
CLOSED



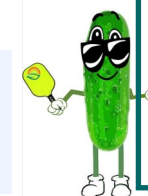
**RECYCLEBC**™ There is an alarming rise in the number of explosive and hazardous materials BC residents are placing in their recycling bins. Post-collection processors have seen an increase in fires in 2019, with several of them having endangered lives and forced the temporary closure of facilities. **Hazardous materials** are materials that are dangerous and are not accepted for recycling collection. The most common types are:

- Disposable propane cylinders
- Lithium batteries
- Lighter fluid containers
- Reusable propane canisters

More information at <https://recyclebc.ca/>.



**SCHOOL IS IN**  
Please follow posted  
speed limits.



### Pickleball

Mondays & Wednesdays  
2-3:30 PM & 7:30-9 PM  
Port Hardy Civic Centre  
\$2 Drop In · \$2 Racket  
Rental

Subject to change.  
Call 949-6686 for more  
information.

### SHORT TERM VACATION RENTAL SURVEY

The District is looking for feedback from the community on short term vacation rentals in Port Hardy. Take our survey online at [porthardy.ca](http://porthardy.ca).

### Service Canada Scheduled Outreach

8785 Gray Street, Port Hardy

November 06 - 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
November 07 - 8:30 am - 12:00 pm  
December 11 - 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
December 12 - 8:30 am - 12:00 pm