

COVID-19 Information



The District has begun a phased restart of our facilities. To ensure the health and safety of staff and the public, please follow all posted safety protocol and procedures and do not visit a District facility if you are feeling unwell.

For more information about our restart plan, links to resources including the BC CDC COVID-19 guidelines as well as the latest orders and recommendations from the Provincial Health Officer visit porthardy.ca or scan the QR code above.

Be Kind, Be Calm, Be Safe. ~ Dr. Bonnie Henry



Official Community Plan Update

We fell a bit behind with the onset of COVID-19, but we are looking at new ways to engage with our communities. A survey will be coming out shortly. This is your chance to share your ideas and priorities as to where the community should focus to make Port Hardy a better place to live, work and play. Be sure to subscribe to our Official Community Plan page on our website and you will be the first to receive notifications about what is happening.

The prize for completing this survey is a \$150.00 gift certificate to the Port Hardy Business of your choice!

On July 2, 2020 the District of Port Hardy became one of 9 communities in BC to be recognized for being Bear Smart. This is a tremendous achievement that will help us to continue to educate the residents of the North Island on how to reduce human-wildlife conflicts by changing our behaviour so we can deter bears from finding easy meals in our backyards.

It takes an entire community to make change!

For more information on Bear Smart or how to become a volunteer call 250-949-6665 or visit porthardy.ca.



Message from Mayor and Council



As the community reopens to business, District facilities are now opening as part of our restart plan. The public can now enjoy the use of community playgrounds and parks, recreation and harbour facilities, as well as the Civic Centre. Watch our social media and website for an update of upcoming pool and dryland recreational programming!

The District sends a big thank you to Westport Welding & Fabrication Ltd. and the Port Hardy Rotary Club as the Family Fishing Floats are now repaired and ready for summer's fishing action! We encourage all users to continue to follow the best practices of social distancing and hygiene and to please avoid visiting any District facilities if unwell.

Council is excited to announce that Port Hardy has received 100% funding towards the revitalization of the Don Cruikshank Arena as part of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure program. Upgrades will include a new roof, updates to the ice refrigeration system, as well as improved access to the arena and a new digital marquee!

Port Hardy has received official designation as a Bear Smart Community. Many thanks to the hard work and dedicated efforts of residents, members of the Bear Smart Committee, and staff for this achievement!

Congratulations to the North Island Crisis and Counselling Centre and partners for your efforts in bringing the Foundry program to Port Hardy. This initiative will help deliver the much-needed support, care and social services to youth and their families.

The District is pleased to support the North Island Seniors Housing Foundation in their ongoing efforts to make affordable, accessible seniors housing a reality. Good luck in your application!

Finally, thank you to all volunteers for your ongoing efforts to provide essential services and support to our community members in need. The pandemic has created a very isolating environment for some and the added support you provide during this time is invaluable.

Remember, by working together by staying apart, we can continue to be successful as we deal with this pandemic in our community.

Mayor Dugas and Council

MORE WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

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NOW!

View the 2020 Council & Committee meeting schedule. Subscribe now to receive meeting agendas straight to your inbox and watch Council meetings

LIVE at: <https://porthardy.civicweb.net/Portal/>



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PORT HARDY



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

DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Pat Corbett-Labatt

March 1—October 31, 2020

2020 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

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

SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

JULY 14

AUGUST	11	SEPTEMBER	8
OCTOBER	13 & 27	NOVEMBER	10 & 24
DECEMBER	8		

July 2020 Summer Newsletter



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2020 PROPERTY TAX & HOMEOWNER GRANT INFORMATION

Property taxes were due July 2nd, with any outstanding balance subject to a 10% penalty. **For the 2020 taxation year, due to COVID-19 pandemic, the 10% penalty will be applied to outstanding balances after September 30, 2020.**

Homeowner Grant: If you qualify, you must submit the grant application either online at www.porthardy.ca or bring the completed form to the Municipal Hall by December 31, 2020.

2019 Retroactive Homeowner Grant: Didn't claim the 2019 Homeowner Grant? You have until December 31, 2020 to submit a retroactive claim.

PROPERTY TAX SALE

Properties with delinquent taxes on September 28, 2020 will be sold at tax sale on that date at 10 AM.

WATER - SEWER - GARBAGE - RECYCLING 2020 RESIDENTIAL UTILITY RATES

Utilities for the 2nd quarter (April/May/June) will be billed in July. Due date will be August 15th (or later depending on when bills are issued).

**SINGLE FAMILY
DWELLING**
\$274.90 per quarter

**SENIORS SINGLE FAMILY
DWELLING**
\$206.19 per quarter

When paid by the due date

Seniors 65 years & over may be eligible for a discount.

Council Special Resolution March 24, 2020 in response to the COVI-19 pandemic:

- Extension of seniors discount on any portion of 2020 invoices if paid by November 30, 2020.
- Defer the application of a penalty of 2.5% on any outstanding balance until November 30, 2020.

PORT HARDY
SCHEDULED
OUTREACH
SITE
TEMPORARILY CLOSED

Service
Canada

For access to services, clients can complete a request for services form online at Canada.ca/service-canada-e-service.

THANK
YOU!

Westport Welding & Fabrication LTD
and the Rotary Club of Port Hardy
for putting the Family Fishing Float
back together again!

Spring Clean Up Week
Tuesday to Saturday Aug 11-15, 11am-4pm

FREE DROP OFF

**Fox's Disposal at the Tacan Site
(5990 Steel Rd)**

NO Styrofoam, hot tubs, tires, chemicals, drywall, contractors or commercial waste.

ACCEPTING

- Furniture (wooden or fabric-covered wood)
- Washers, dryers, stoves and dishwashers
- Carpets, rugs and mattresses
- Scrap metal, barbecues, EMPTY propane tanks
- Toys, bicycles, child car seats & strollers
- Batteries



PLEASE NOTE PHYSICAL DISTANCING WILL APPLY

2-3 VEHICLE LIMIT IN THE YARD AT A TIME

PLEASE RESPECT ALL STAFF AND COVID-19 SIGNAGE

FREE Pickup - At the Curb - For seniors and people with disabilities provided by the Return-It Centre:

Thursday, August 13 & Friday, August 14 9am to 3 pm. Please call ahead to arrange for pickup.

Contact Rod (250)-949-1668.

Please Note: If items left at curbside are NOT sorted or are not on the list above they will not be picked up.



**District of Port Hardy
WATER CONSERVATION LEVEL**

250-949-6665

CAUTION!

Road repairs & brush clearing projects are still on the go. Please watch for crews working and follow posted speed signs!

**Visit BC Wildfire
for CURRENT
Fire Bans & Regulations**



[https://
www2.gov.bc.ca/
gov/content/safety/
wildfire-status](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status)

Follow Port Hardy Recreation on Facebook or at porthardy.ca for updates on the pool schedule!

RESIDENTIAL YARD WASTE DEPOT At the Public Works Yard

Reminder, do not dispose of construction waste or any other materials than approved yard waste materials.

PERMITTED MATERIALS

- Grass and hedge clippings
- Branch and tree prunings up to 2" in diameter in bundles up to 4.5' Long
- Flowers, leaves & garden waste



MATERIALS NOT PERMITTED

- Stumps & roots
- Soil & rocks
- Wood chips, pallets or wood over 2" in diameter
- Bags, empty or full

Commercial landscaping and yard maintenance operators are allowed a **LIMITED USE** of this facility providing:

- Operator holds a valid District of Port Hardy business licence to provide residential yard maintenance.
- Operator holds a commercial maintenance service operators permit (may be obtained from the District).
- Material disposed is collected from a residential property within the District of Port Hardy.
- Materials collected are not from commercial properties, trailer parks, apartment complexes, multifamily and/or strata residential development properties.

Non-approved materials have been disposed at the depot that are not permitted and are subject to fines at the disposal facility.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING KEEP THE YARD WASTE DEPOT A FREE SERVICE!

BROWN BAG LUNCH
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
JULY 15 & AUGUST 12
Via Zoom

Join Mayor Dugas and Councillor Corbett-Labatt for a socially distanced discussion on what's happening in Port Hardy! Check our Facebook page or website for details or call (250)-949-6665.

**Dryland Fitness in the
Civic Centre**
June 29th - August 6th

Space is limited!
Call (250)-949-6686 to register.
Visit porthardy.ca for program schedule & the new safety protocols.