

Mayor & Council Update

Mayor & Council attended the 2020 UBCM convention virtually this year. Councillors met with numerous Ministers, Provincial and agency staff bringing forward community priorities and partnering together to build a safe, healthy and sustainable community for Port Hardy, the region and Indigenous Nations.

Resolutions brought forth by District of Port Hardy Council:

COMMUNITY TO COMMUNITY FORUM GRANTS

To be considered individually by UBCM

WHEREAS the importance of open and continuing conversation between local governments and first nations governments is critical to further reconciliation.

AND WHEREAS the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Regional Community to Community Forum (C2C) program is an important resource to assist with these dialogues, it is also important that governments be allowed the flexibility to access this funding when it is most beneficial to the communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) request the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) to allow the Regional Community to Community Forum grants not be subject to specific deadlines but be made available throughout the year AND THAT those granted funds be available for a full calendar year.

UBCM HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDED:

Emergency Management BC—Provincial Staff

- Cost-recovery for road rescues and motor vehicle accidents within municipal and non-jurisdictional boundaries.

Emergency Preparedness, Parliamentary Secretary

- Support for the purchase of emergency vehicles and equipment.

Hon. Claire Trevena

Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

- The need for increased pull-outs and/or passing lanes to improve driving conditions on Highway 19, notably the Mount Cain turn off.
- Support for public transit bus route between Port Hardy and Campbell River.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police—Provincial Staff

- Advocacy for the Port Hardy RCMP detachment to regrade the Corporal position to Staff Sergeant.

Hon. Doug Donaldson

Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

- Expansion of the Community Forest for the North Island and the importance of support from the North Island First Nations communities.

Thank you North Island Community Forest LP to Ione Brown, Chair and Mike Green, Manager for preparing the presentation to the Minister.

Hon. Lisa Beare

Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture

- Funding and resource support for local tourism operators that have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

BC Hydro

- Two-tiered residential rate, LG Rate Structure & Solar Net Metering, LED Street Light Replacement Program.

Thank you to the Regional District of Mount Waddington for hosting the meeting.

Hon. Selina Robinson

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

- Multiplex project and support from the Province for a grant.
- Housing support for the Managed Alcohol Program.

Thank you to Dean Wilson, Director of Child & Family Services for your support and advocacy.

The Recreation Revitalization Arena Project is now well underway. We are excited to see these upgrades come together and look forward to their completion.

Council thanks everyone for their efforts to keep our fellow community members, seniors, neighbours, family and friends safe by following the health orders as set out by the Provincial Health Officer. Let's continue to remember to be kind, be calm, stay safe and show patience as we continue to navigate the pandemic.

Council and staff have also been working through the Official Community Plan process. With the survey recently closed, we are now awaiting the results. Next steps include a series of stakeholder meetings and open house sessions to further identify community priorities direction, outcomes of which will shape the future of Port Hardy and our community.



**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

Pat Corbett-Labatt – October 31, 2020
Janet Dorward – November 1, 2020

2020 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

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

October 13 & 27 November 10 & 24

December 8

October 2020 Newsletter



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.civicweb.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 discuss what's happening in Port Hardy!

October 21, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

With Councillor Corbett-Labatt

&

November 18, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

With Councillor Dorward

This event will be held via Zoom. Follow the District of Port Hardy on Facebook, check out our website, or subscribe to be notified of upcoming Brown Bag Lunch events at <https://porthardy.civicweb.net/Portal/>

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GARBAGE & RECYCLING SCHEDULE 2020

SERVICE TO RETURN TO ALTERNATING PICK UP NOVEMBER 2ND

REMINDER! The revised garbage & recycling calendar ENDS October 30, 2020. Service will resume with alternating, biweekly pick up between garbage and recycling beginning **November 2, 2020.**

Garbage Pick Up 2 Cans

Recycling Pick Up

OCTOBER						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

END OF REVISED
SCHEDULE!

NOVEMBER						
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DECEMBER						
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2020 UTILITY DUE DATES

TIME PERIOD	ISSUED	EST DUE DATE
3rd Quarter	July - September	Oct November 30
4th Quarter	October - December	Jan February 15

All outstanding 2020 Quarters 1, 2 & 3 utility charges not paid by November 30, 2020 will be subject to a 2.5% penalty.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

9 AM—12 PM, Via Zoom Meetings

October 19 · October 26

November 16 · November 23*as needed.

December 7 & December 14 *as needed.

Meeting agendas & links to Zoom will be available at:

<https://porthardy.civieweb.net/Portal/>

PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes were due July 2.

For the 2020 taxation year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 10% penalty will be applied to outstanding balances after September 30, 2020.

- A 10 % penalty has now been applied to the balance of any outstanding current year property taxes.
- 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.**
- Didn't claim the 2019 Home Owner Grant? **Retroactive claims can be submitted until December 31, 2020.**

QUESTIONS? Contact the Municipal Hall at (250)-949-6665 or email reception@porthardy.ca.

10:15 A.M. October 15, 2020

The Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw Nations will be conducting a siren test as part of the **Annual Shakeout** event.

Planning an event at a District facility?

Be sure to complete a facility use application, download at porthardy.ca.

DID YOU KNOW that you do not have to run water to prevent pipes from freezing?

On average over 4.4 million litres of water are consumed DAILY in Port Hardy. During winter an additional 1 to 1.5 MILLION LITRES MORE are consumed due to the unnecessary running of water to prevent pipes from freezing.

Here are a few tips to prevent frozen pipes & reducing water consumption.

- 1) Fix skirting! Closing off skirting around a trailer, mobile home or other structures where piping is open can reduce the exposure of pipe infrastructure to the elements.
- 2) Insulate your pipes. Extra insulation protects pipes from cooler temperatures.
- 3) Use a heat trace. Heat traces are an excellent option to apply heat to a pipe and reduce the risk of a pipe freezing and bursting.

More water conservation tips are available at porthardy.ca.



District Council and staff are pleased to welcome new members to our team!

- ◇ **Deb Bodnar, Director of Financial Services**
- ◇ **Kam So, Director of Engineering & Operations**
- ◇ **Daniel Scow, Shop Mechanic**
- ◇ **Norm Tong, Chief Building/Bylaw Official**

We are also pleased to welcome Heather Nelson-Smith to the position of Chief Administrative Officer. We wish Allison McCarrick all the best on her new opportunity as CAO of the Town of Ladysmith. Thank you Allison for your contributions and efforts to serve the community.

Get Ready to Shake Out.

15.10.20
Register Now at
www.ShakeOutBC.ca

The Great British Columbia
Shake Out

Permits are required for Halloween Fireworks!

Bylaw No. 05-2010 regulates the possession and discharge of fireworks in the District of Port Hardy.

- Consumer fireworks may only be discharged on October 31 between 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm.
- Permit applications must be submitted to the District of Port Hardy no later than 4:30 pm on October 30, 2020.
- There is no fee!

Permit applications can be submitted to the Municipal Hall at 7360 Columbia St. Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Ph.: (250)-949-6665
Email: general@porthardy.ca



WASTE REDUCTION WEEK
OCT 19-25, 2020
★ BACK TO BASICS ★
REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE



BC 1 CALL
CALL BEFORE YOU DIG!
1-800-474-6886

FALL PROGRAMMING NOW AVAILABLE!
AQUAFIT LENGTHS LESSONS
Contact Port Hardy Recreation for more information at (250)-949-6686.