

Message from Mayor & Council

UBCM

Every year the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, UBCM, hosts an annual convention for Elected Officials. Council and staff meet with selected Cabinet Ministers and Ministerial staff at these conventions to discuss our concerns or ideas for each community and how the Province can support us in achieving our goals. At this past convention, we attended sixteen meetings. Here are the highlights:

Minister of Mental Health and Addictions

Supportive housing for the Gwa'dzi Managed Alcohol Program (MAP). Currently, only those that have residences have access to the program.

Support the RCMP by adding a Mental Health Car, allowing the RCMP to partner with a psychiatric nurse on mental health-related calls.

Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Improved Highway maintenance, especially tree removal, snow clearing and regular maintenance.

Making land owned by the Ministry available for residential development.

Affordable public transportation between Campbell River and Port Hardy.

Minister of Municipal Affairs

Funding allocated to Vancouver Island Regional Library to support access to information for those that do not have access to online services, and training support for those looking to improve their computer skills. This could be an improved loaner program and additional hours at the Library.

Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation

Reinvestment in the Islands Coastal Economic Trust, ICET. This trust for coastal communities is intended to support economic development. This fund is about to expire; reinvestment would ensure that communities had access to funding for a sustained period of time.

Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Support the RCMP by adding the Mental Health Car, allowing the RCMP to partner with a psychiatric nurse on mental health-related calls. Mental health-related occurrences make up 43% of total calls.

Minister of Health

Shortage of trained health professionals on the North Island and a lack of housing supply for those looking to transfer to our community.

Additional resources to support Intensive Case Management Teams, ICMT, on the North Island.

Minster of Children and Family Development

Funding support for programming and resources to address child poverty in Port Hardy. One in three children in Port Hardy lives in poverty; access to food and educational support is needed to address this significant concern.

Minister of Forests

Increase in forest tenure for the North Island Community Forest. Port Hardy uses the funds towards recreation projects that benefit our residents.



L-R Honourable Mitzi Dean, Councillor Treena Smith, Councillor Fred Robertson, Mayor Dennis Dugas and MLA Michele Babchuk

Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing

Housing for all residents, including supportive housing and services associated with facilities, including health, addictions support and education. Affordable housing options in BC and especially in rural communities. Changes to the Home Owner Protection Act to promote development. Residential tenancy supports to promote landlords creating affordable housing options with support from the Province through rental subsidies and funding.

Minister of Agriculture and Food

Provide provincial funding opportunities for food security that support local food production and sale.

Develop support programs to promote access to a nutritious food supply in rural communities.

Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Funding to support the position of a poverty reduction coordinator. The funding of this position will support the actions identified in the Poverty Reduction Plan, May 2021

VALUE OF ONE UBCM 2022
POWER OF MANY



DISTRICT OF
PORT HARDY



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Pat Corbett-Labatt
Councillors: Janet Dorward, Dennis Dugas, Fred Robertson, Treena Smith, John Tidbury, Brian Texmo

DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Dennis Dugas
November 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Thank you Leighton Wishart for your many years served on Council. Best wishes from us all at the District of Port Hardy!

2022 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Regular Council Meetings - 7:00 PM
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of every month

SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

November 8 & 22
December 13



DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY
7360 COLUMBIA STREET
PO BOX 68
PORT HARDY, BC
V0N 2P0
250.949.6665
250.949.7433
GENERAL@PORTHARDY.CA
PORTHARDY.CA

CONNECT WITH COUNCIL!

SUBSCRIBE
TODAY!

View the 2022 Council & Committee meeting schedule. Subscribe to receive meeting agendas straight to your inbox and watch meetings LIVE: <https://porthardy.civicweb.net/Portal/>



District of Port Hardy



@DPortHardy



DPortHardy



porthardy.ca

Reminder!

October 31st is the beginning of alternating garbage & recycling pick up!

Garbage Pick Up 2 Cans						
Recycling Pick Up						
NOVEMBER						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
30	31	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			



DECEMBER						
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



Current year property taxes were due July 4. A 10% penalty has now been applied to outstanding balances.

HOMEOWNER GRANT

Eligible home owners should have claimed the 2022 Homeowner Grant on or before July 4th. A penalty has now been applied to the unclaimed grant portion of outstanding property taxes. The LAST DAY to claim the grant for the current year is December 31, 2023. See below for how to claim.

RETROACTIVE HOMEOWNER GRANT

Didn't claim your grant in 2021? You have until December 31, 2022 to claim.

CLAIM THE HOMEOWNER GRANT

Phone 1-888-355-2700, go online to www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant or visit the Port Hardy Service BC office located at 8785 Gray St.



Remembrance Day Ceremony

November 11, 10:30 AM at the Cenotaph in Carrot Park

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Municipal Hall will be closed from December 26, 2022-January 2, 2023. Have a merry & safe holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year!



While power outages can happen at any time of year, the likelihood increases with stormy weather. Now is the time to get prepared. Here are some quick tips:

- Have a battery-operated radio, flashlight, and extra batteries.
- Have an adequate supply of food and water (at least for 3 days!).
- Have extra blankets and warm clothes.
- Ensure personal devices are charged.

For more information on how to prepare for a power outage event, visit PreparedBC and BC Hydro online.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the newly elected Mayor and Council! The District is pleased to welcome Pat Corbett-Labatt as Mayor elect, newly elected Councillor Brian Texmo and incumbents Dennis Dugas, Janet Dorward, Fred Robertson, Treena Smith and John Tidbury. Best wishes on your term in office!



The Port Hardy Pool is one of the District's most valued assets. Council has committed to upgrading the existing pool. View the latest pool update online at porthardy.ca for more information and a timeline of the upgrade schedule.

Welcome

District Council & staff are pleased to welcome Noramay Isaac to the team as the Director of Financial Services!

SERVICE CANADA

9 am-4:30 pm | 3rd Thursday
9 am-12 pm | 3rd Friday
8785 Gray Street



Each month Service Canada offers in-person support for programs including Employment Insurance, Social Insurance, and CPP.



The Strategic Plan & Operational Update is available NOW. Find out what's been happening, what our challenges are and how we measure up against the Strategic Plan. Visit our website www.porthardy.ca



2022 Fall Recreation Guide Now Available!

From skating programs, paint nights, dance classes and more, Port Hardy Recreation is pleased to offer a range of programming and events for all! View the fall guide & register for your favourites online at porthardy.ca. Port Hardy Recreation is now planning the Winter 2023 Recreation Guide. We look forward to bringing new recreation opportunities to you in the coming year!



All Ages Welcome
Sun | Dec 11
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Port Hardy Arena

Bring your family and friends to enjoy some festive fun at our Winter Wonderland. The Arena will be transformed into a wintery scene showcasing a toboggan run, fire on ice, skating, photo-op, and a visit from Santa! Register at porthardy.ca



All Ages Welcome | FREE
Sat | Nov 19 & Dec 17
6:00 pm | 8:30 pm
Civic Centre

We invite you to watch a movie on the big screen! Two movies per night: first one family friendly and second one for a mature audience. Doors open 15 minutes before the event. Limited seating capacity. Pre-registration recommended.

HOUSEHOLD TRASH DOES NOT BELONG IN COMMUNITY GARBAGE CANS!



Help protect workers, wildlife and the environment. If you have extra garbage, take it to the Tacan Site (5990 Steel Rd.) OR purchase a garbage bag tag for \$2.30 from the Municipal Hall and put it out along with the regularly scheduled garbage pick up!

DON'T PARK ON THE ROAD! TELL YOUR NEIGHBOURS...

With wet weather and cooler temperatures fast approaching, winter road maintenance will soon begin. Do not park on the road or sidewalks! Doing this will help ensure that road maintenance equipment operators have sufficient space to maintain the street in your neighbourhood. Do your part to keep roads clear and commuters safe! Violators risk being towed or fined.

KEEP THE SIDEWALK CLEAR OF ICE & SNOW

Ice or snow must be removed from sidewalks or footpaths bordering commercial and residential properties by 10 AM. Thank you for helping keep these areas clear and safe for pedestrians.

OUR CREWS ARE SMALL BUT MIGHTY!

Crews work hard and diligently to tend to the roadways and streets as quickly as possible. First priority is arterial roads and emergency routes. Secondary routes, including residential streets, one-way and dead-end roads are then addressed. Please be patient! We are human, let us know if we missed a street! Call 250-949-7779.

