



District Update

Clean, Neat and Green

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Mayors Message

I hope this message finds you all well.

There is much good news on various issues around Port Edward since my last post in the District News. There is also some very sad news as well. My condolences goes out to those who have lost loved ones in the month of March. Very sadly we have lost a young member of our community, and two long term resident elders. They will be sorely missed.

The good news is that work is progressing on the road work on Evergreen and Wildwood. The work has been slowed due to more rock and material needed to be removed than originally planned. Some water issues still remain at a couple of places and will be addressed as the work progresses. This is normal with this type of construction and the climate in this region.

The Covid 19 remains rampant in BC and the Health Ministry has put out additional restrictions on inside dining and other gathering places. The good news is that the local hospital was able to vaccinate almost 9000 people in the mid March. This was a gigantic undertaking, with 400 volunteers and amazing staff from the local hospital. A job well done.

We are moving forward with the 7.25 acre property on Alder Avenue and discussions have begun with interested parties. This is a complicated process to insure the best outcomes for Port Edward in the long run. It is too early to have a firm date as to when the first construction will take place.

Quote of the Month:

*"I can accept failure. Everyone fails at something. I cannot accept trying."
Michael Jordan. Basketball great.*

Knut

Council News

The District of Port Edward Mayor and Council meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month except for July, August, September and December there is only one meeting. Meetings are held via Zoom, and begin at 7:00 pm. During the COVID-19 Pandemic please go to our website to the **meeting ID from our Agenda**. Each meeting will have its own link. It will be posted the Friday prior to the Council meeting.

If you would like to bring a matter before Council please submit your information in writing to the Municipal Office no later than 12:00 pm the Thursday prior to the Council meeting or contact the District office at **(250) 628-3667**.

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Meeting via Zoom April 13, 2021

Regular Meeting via Zoom April 27, 2021

Municipal Office

Just a reminder, the Municipal Office will be closed on Friday April 2, 2021, for Good Friday and Monday April 5, 2021 for Easter Monday. The office will re-open on Tuesday April 6, 2021.

Refuse pickup will take place on Tuesday April 6, 2021 instead of the regular day. Please make sure to place your garbage on the curb, in a sealed, water tight container with lid no later than 8:00 am.

Also, just a reminder that snowmobiling, or dirt biking is not permitted on District parks or boulevards. Please be respectful and do not damage the district parks or boulevards. Thank you!

Business Licence



If you are operating an existing business or a new business in Port Edward, please remember that a business license is required. Your business license will expire as of **April 30, 2021**.

All Business licenses should be renewed before the due date.

Fire Department

Dan Larsen, our Deputy Fire Chief has retired after 17 years of community service to Port Edward.

The community and District would like to thank you for all your time and dedication to keeping Port Edward safe.



BC Transit—Media Advisory

BC Transit, the City of Prince Rupert and the District of Port Edward are seeking the public's feedback on proposed changes and ways we can improve transit in the Prince Rupert and Port Edward Transit Systems.

BC Transit is seeking input from the public to identify transit priorities. The feedback shared will help develop a Transit Future Service Plan, which will support transit decision-making, service and infrastructure improvements in the region.

Members of the public will be able to provide feedback on proposed changes in the transit system, which include:

- Reduction of the Port Edward service
- Route changes
- Schedules
- Bus stop improvements

A Transit Future Service Plan will provide a vision and implementation strategy for improving the region's transit network.

Visit bctransit.com for more information and to participate in the online survey, open from March 12 until April 12, 2021.

Highlights from March 9th and 23rd Council Meeting

- New location for the dog park—next to the Skateboard Park, an air monitoring station will be installed in this location by the Prince Rupert Port Authority as well.
 - New Building Bylaw will be in place soon and fees have been raised to cover inspection costs.
 - Sewer Parcel & Water Frontage Tax Bylaw has been renewed for one year
 - The District is moving forward with the Official Community Plan & Zoning Bylaw
- Community consultation will be part of this process and notices will be going out in the local newspaper and Facebook.

Yard Waste Pick Up

The District will be offering to pick up organic yard waste free of charge every **Wednesday for the month of May.**

We would like all residents to take advantage of this opportunity so we can all contribute to keeping our community "Clean, Neat & Green".

North Pacific Cannery—Closed for the 2021 Season

We are sorry to inform the public that the North Pacific Cannery will Be closed another year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In order to keep our staff and visitors safe we need to follow the recommendations from the Province, only essential travel is recommended!

Stay Safe! We look forward to hosting you next year!



New Building Officials and Video Inspections

As of March, 2021 local governments in BC are now required to have certified Building Officials to complete plan checks, complete building inspections, issue building permits and monitor buildings under construction. Recruiting building inspectors on the North Coast is challenging and the District has now found a certified inspector who will work remotely with an on the ground contractor to complete inspections, with the assistance of video inspection and pictures of the construction project. This is a unique solution that will support the quality and safety of construction in Port Edward. We will introduce our new building inspection team very soon, so stay tuned!

Sudoku

Difficulty Level: Easy

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Calendar Reminders:

Earth Day—April 22, 2021
 Mother's Day—May 9, 2020
 Victoria Day—May 24, 2020

