



District Update

Clean, Neat and Green

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Mayors Message

I hope my message finds all of you well. We are entering the third month of the Covid 19 pandemic health and travel advisory. The north and central coast including Haida Gwaii have been working together to ask the provincial government to step up their travel advisory to include travel bans to small communities on the Coast. Our fragile and limited health care facilities are ill equipped to handle any outbreaks of this pandemic.

I believe that there have been no cases reported in Port Edward or Prince Rupert. I also note that most people are following the health guidelines, which will go a long way in preventing the transmission of the virus.

The engineering company we hired McElhanney has been busy surveying our road system to prepare us for the work we plan to do this summer. The first two roads will be Evergreen and Sunset. We are planning other infrastructure projects as well. We need to have upgrades to the Fire Hall and the Municipal Building. I will report on the progress of these projects as they develop.

As Spring progresses Public Works will be busy mowing our parks and the curbside grass along most streets. I urge everyone to please not park on the boulevards to allow us to properly maintain them.

Stay safe,
Knut

Council News

If you would like to bring a matter before Council please submit your information in writing to the Municipal office no later than 12:00pm the Thursday prior to the Council meeting or contact the District office at **250-628-3667**. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend Council meetings, however in order to comply with the provincial regulation we need to limit the number of participants at this time.

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 and Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

For any further updates please visit our website at: www.portedward.ca

Municipal Office

The Municipal Office is closed to the public during this time, but we are still able to take your phone call or email during regular business hours Monday-Friday 8:30 am—4:30 pm. Please note during this time we will be accepting online payments at: payments@portedward.ca. Please be sure to write your name and address in the subject line and the purpose of the payment so we can apply your payment to the correct account.

The District of Port Edward Strategic Plan was just released. It reflects Mayor & Councils key focus areas for 2019-2022. For more information please check out our website under ***News Release***.

Public Works

Just a friendly reminder that it's mowing season and that parking on the District boulevards is not allowed as it hampers the grass cutting. Please remove all vehicles, recreational vehicles and boats from the lawns. Thank you!

Public Works will be flushing the fire hydrants in the community starting **May 20, 2020**. During this period you may experience discolored or cloudy water. If you encounter this please run your taps until the water runs clear.

Also, please note that effective immediately Public Works will no longer be accepting late garbage pick up. All residents must have their garbage out by **8 am** every Monday except for on statutory holidays it will be pick up on the Tuesday. Thank you for your cooperation and if you have any questions please contact our office at **250-628-3667**.

Yard Waste Pick Up—COVID 19 Changes

*A friendly reminder that this year the District will not be offering our normal **Spring Clean Up**.*

We will be offering to pick up green waste (grass clippings, small leaves and sticks) free of charge every Wednesday for the month of May! Please use yard bags for your green waste. If you can't find any or can't get to a store right now, neat piles on the roadside will be acceptable.

Thank you for keeping your yards "Clean, Neat & Green!"

New Signage—Recreational Sites

In the next few weeks you will see new signage at Aero Trading and at Rainbow Lake.

Public Parking (across from Aero)—**Short Term Park Only**—Vehicle, boat and vehicle trailers max 3 days. No overnight camping permitted.

Rainbow Lake Site—**Day Use Only**—No overnight camping permitted. Subject to towing.

CN Vegetation Control

A message from CN:

We are reaching out in order to advise you of our vegetation control activities in your area between May and October 2020. A regularly updated schedule will be available at www.cn.ca/vegetation.

CN is required to clear its right-of-way from any vegetation that may pose a safety hazard. Part II of the Rules Respecting Track Safety adopted by Transport Canada provide that “vegetation on railway property, which is on or immediately adjacent to roadbed, must be controlled.”

Vegetation on railway right-of-way, if left uncontrolled, can contribute to trackside fires, reductions in visibility at road crossings, damage to integrity of the railway roadbed and impair proper inspection of track infrastructure.

As such, for safe railway operations, the annual vegetation control program will be carried out on CN rail lines. Certified applicators will be applying herbicides on and around the railway tracks, mainly the graveled area known as the ballast, but also on other areas of the right of way where necessary for safety purposes. All product requirements for setbacks in the vicinity of dwellings, aquatic environments and municipal water supplies will be observed

For any questions or more information, please contact the CN Public Inquiry Line by telephone at 1-888-888-5909, or by email at contact@cn.ca.

Bear Aware

A bear has been sighted a week ago. We need all residents to be aware of what you might have around your yard that can potentially attract the bears into the District.

Please **DO NOT** store your garbage outside, this is the leading cause for bears to wander into neighborhoods.

Pet food, bird seed, ripe fruit, smokers and BBQ's as well as petroleum products, small live stock and composts will also attract bears. Please manage these items properly by keeping them indoors or make sure they are clean from odors.

If you see a bear give it room, do not make eye contact, bare your teeth or run. Make yourself big, create noise, back away and most importantly give it an exit route. A cornered bear is a dangerous bear.

Please report your sightings to:

Terrace Conservation Office at 1-877-952-7277 and the District of Port Edward at 250-628-3667.

Business Licence

If you are operating an existing business or a new business in Port Edward, please remember that a business licence is required. Your business licence is now expired. All business licences should now be renewed.

Payments during this time can be done by cheque or online payments at payments@portedward.ca. Please be sure to write your business name in the subject line.

Thank you!

Calendar Reminders:

Mother's Day - May 10, 2020

Victoria Day - May 18, 2020

First Day of Summer - June 20, 2020

Father's Day - June 21, 2020

North Pacific Cannery—Closed for 2020 Season

Sudoku

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