



District Update

Clean, Neat and Green

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Mayor's Message

I hope that all of you are keeping safe.

There is much to celebrate as we begin the month of February. Road construction has finally begun on Evergreen. The last new road construction in Port Edward was in the mid 1970 's. Some of you living on Evergreen will find some inconvenience as the work progresses. The work will continue to the junction of Wildwood and then proceed from the top of Wildwood to the junction of Skeena Drive. New sewer and water mains will be replaced as necessary and storm drainage as appropriate.

The RCMP has stepped up speeding enforcement especially along Skeena and a number of tickets have been issued in the last two weeks. The RCMP has informed us that there will be more enforcement of traffic violations in 2021. I still notice speeding on Skeena Drive and I urge that the speed limit be respected as there are many pedestrians that use this road.

Northern Health is hiring additional "Home Care" staff this year to serve Prince Rupert and Port Edward. There will be enhanced service and it will benefit both communities. Currently Home Care is provided to Port Edward on Thursday's.

I would like to thank all the residents for their responses to the Harbour View survey. Council received valuable input that we will use going forward.

I have received reports from many residents that fireworks were set off at 4AM, waking up and disturbing residents. This behavior is very disrespectful of the residents and is a violation of the noise bylaws. Please respect your neighbor's and refrain from causing disturbances that are unwarranted.

Quote for the month. You miss 100% of the shots you don't take" Wayne Gretzky, NHL great.

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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 get the **meeting ID from our Agenda**. Each meeting will have its own ID. 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 February 9, 2021.

Regular Meeting via Zoom February 23, 2021.

Municipal Office

Just a reminder, the Municipal Office will be closed on **Monday February 15, 2020** for Family Day. The office will reopen on **Tuesday February 16, 2021**.

Refuse pickup will take place on **Tuesday February 16, 2020** instead of the regular day. Please make sure to place your garbage on the curb, in a sealed, water tight container with a lid no later than 8:00 am.



Fire Department



The Port Edward Volunteer Fire Department would like to notify the residents that on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7pm they will be testing the Emergency Alert System (Air Siren).

District Highlights from January

- Emergency Program (Bylaw 717) was adopted by Council
- Grants applied for: Municipal Building, Drainage around the community, New Fire Truck and for a Grant Writer
- Survey results are in for the Harbourview Neighborhood Concept Plan
- Request for Proposals for 7.25 Acre Residential Development on alder Avenue was released

Planning to build in Port Edward?

As of February 28th, 2021, all building and plumbing officials who work for local government's in British Columbia will have to be certified by the BC Building Officials Association and entered into the Provincial register of qualified officials. To prepare for this new requirement, the District is moving forwards with a new building inspection regime which includes an updated Building Bylaw. We are also developing a Remote Inspection Policy, new and updated forms and are in the process of negotiating a service agreement with a neighboring community so that we are compliant with regulations and can continue to offer permits and inspections.

Q: I am a home or residential property owner. Do I need a permit for planned work?

You need a permit if you are:

- constructing, repairing or altering a building or structure
- moving a building or structure
- demolishing a building or structure
- constructing a fireplace of masonry or installing a wood burning appliance or chimney (unless encompassed within a building permit)
- doing any plumbing work (prior to beginning the work)
- building a retaining wall greater than 1.5meters in height (*must be designed and reviewed by a registered professional, with sealed design plans provided to the office*)
- installing a driveway

We are intending to make the permitting process as simple and straightforward as possible – because we will have to use out of town inspectors, we appreciate your patience as we confirm new timelines for service. More community updates are planned in March when our new system is in place.

Only underway work or minor permits with work that can be completed *within the month of February* can be processed at this time. New permit applications for complex projects with longer completion timelines will again be accepted in March, 2021 once our new inspectors are in place.

Utility Connections

If you are installing new or replacing existing municipal service connections (water, sewer, storm water) you will be required to contact our office at least **one week** in advance and prior to Public Works staff being called out to your property. Service connection or labour fees may apply.

Calendar Reminders

- Valentines Day—February 14, 2021
- Family Day—February 15, 2021
- Daylight Savings Begins-March 14, 2021
- St. Patrick's Day-March 17, 2021



Sudoku

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7	8						6	5

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Winter Schedule October - May

60 Port Edward

To Port Edward

Monday to Saturday

(A)	(L)	(T)	(U)	(V)
Lv. Downtown: Ocean Centre Mall	Lv. Civic Centre	Lv. Prince Rupert at Portage	Lv. Evergreen at Skeena (Port Edward)	Ar. Hillcrest at Skeena (Port Edward)
7:10 M	7:13 M	7:15 M	7:32 M	7:35 M
9:10	9:13	9:15	9:27	9:30
12:10	12:13	12:15	12:27	12:30
4:10	4:13	4:15	4:27	4:30
5:10	5:13	5:15	5:27	5:30

M - Monday to Friday only

60 Port Edward

To Prince Rupert

Monday to Saturday

(V)	(U)	(T)	(L)	(A)
Lv. Hillcrest at Skeena (Port Edward)	Lv. Evergreen at Skeena (Port Edward)	Lv. Prince Rupert at Portage	Lv. McBride opposite Civic Centre	Ar. Downtown
7:35 M	7:37 M		7:57 M	8:00 M
9:30	9:32		9:47	9:50
12:30	12:32	By Request	12:47	12:50
4:30	4:32		4:47	4:50
5:30	5:32		5:47	5:50

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