

June 2023

# **DISTRICT UPDATE**

**CLEAN, NEAT & GREEN** 



## Mayor's Message

I hope that this message finds you all well.

As we move into summer there will be public works crews working on the boulevards, pot-hole repairs and other work. Please take caution while driving.

We have rehired our seasonal grounds keeper from last year to help with boulevard maintenance. Public works will also be working on some drainage issues on Evergreen in the coming weeks.

We will be listing two residential lots we own for sale, on Evergreen Drive and Wildwood Avenue. These properties are surplus to our needs and the monies we receive can be used for other purposes. The listings will go up shortly.

Work is progressing on letting tenders for the work on Oceanview Drive. This is a major capital project and careful planning will be required to make sure we get the maximum value for the money spent.

Just a reminder that Sunday June 18th is Father's Day.

## Quote of the Month

Anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad.

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## **Highlights from May Council Meetings**

- Grant in Aid to the Prince Rupert Ukrainian Society
- National Aboriginal Day Financial Contribution
- Accessibility Committee: Volunteer Needed



## **Council Meeting Schedule**

The District of Port Edward Mayor and Council meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month; except for July, August, September and December which there is only one meeting.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

June 13 June 27

Meetings are held in Council Chambers and begin at 7:00pm. 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 either in person or via Zoom.

Zoom links are posted on our website prior to the meeting start time.

## **New Fire Truck**

As with many other sponsors, most recently Trigon Terminals has committed \$75,000 to help the District of Port Edward replace its 30-year-old fire truck.

The fire truck will arrive later this year.

Trigon CEO Rob Booker, Port Edward Fire Chief Jason Giesbrecht and Mayor Knut Bjorndal—along with Hendrix the Dalmatian—are seen here in front of the existing District fire truck.

Photo credit Lonnie Wishart.

## **Property Tax**

Please Remember: Home Owner Grant must be claimed online or over the phone ONLY. How to apply?

Homeowner grant:

Apply online at www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant Apply 24/7 using a voice recognition self-serve application:

Toll-free at 1-888-355-2700

Or to speak with an agent, call toll-free at 1-888-355-

2700, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, excluding statutory holidays You will need your Social Insurance Number and Tax notice (Roll number)

#### Property tax deferment:

- Apply online at gov.bc.ca/propertytaxdeferment
- Call 1-888-355-2700 if you **must** have a paper application; Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00pm, excluding statutory holidays.

A paper based application can take longer to receive and review—you may risk late payment penalties if your not eligible.

Property Taxes are due on or before August 1, 2023.

A **10% penalty** is applied to all outstanding Property Taxes & overdue Home Owner Grant's after **August 2, 2023**.

You may also drop off a cheque in the mail slot at the municipal office.

### Reminder from Public Works

The Summer is here and kids may be playing outside and enjoying the nice weather, please be aware of your surroundings and make sure you're not speeding. On all streets, except Highway 599R, the speed limit is 30 kilometers per hour.

### Volunteer Wanted

The District of Port Edward, the City of Prince Rupert, and the North Coast Regional District are forming an Accessibility Committee. This new Accessibility Committee, as part of the new Provincial Law, the Accessible BC ACT, will help identify, remove and prevent barriers to the full and equal participation of people with disabilities in BC. We are seeking a resident of Port Edward who is interested in helping to identify accessibility issues in the District of Port Edward while working collaboratively with the Accessibility Committee being struck with our Regional Local Government partners.

For more information please contact Robert Grodecki at 250-628-3667

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# North Pacific Cannery - National Historical Site

The North Pacific Cannery is open for the **2023** season. **May 1st -September 30th 10:00 am– 5:00pm**7 days a week in July & August

Tuesday– Sunday in May, June & September

Guided tours are scheduled for 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:00 pm

The Mess House Café is now open!

Please visit their website for further details at **northpacificcannery.ca** or their Facebook page.



NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

We wish them a great season!

## Community Clean Up Day

On May 13<sup>th</sup> a group of residents showed up to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Clean Up Day.

18 volunteers attended and collected 785 kgs of garbage from around the community! A job well done!!

Special thanks to all the volunteers and donators:

 The Port Edward Volunteer Fire Department, Kinnikinnick Campground, the District of Port Edward, Colleen McDonald, and the organizing committee for making this event possible.

Thank you for keeping our community CLEAN, NEAT & GREEN!



