

Port Hardy Where does the path lead?



Official Community Plan Review & Update **PROJECT KICK OFF**

Open House

All ages welcome!

Saturday January 25, 2020 3:00pm

Civic Centre

Refreshments and sweets will be served

The Official Community Plan (OCP) is the most important document in any community and is essential to the planning for future growth and development within Port Hardy.

It establishes community objectives and broad policy statements to guide Council's decisions about land use, zoning and development. It sets a vision for the next 20 years and includes the approximate location, type and density of residential, commercial, industrial and institutional development. The OCP also includes policies related to social needs, environmental protection and housing.

The District has engaged with Urbanics Consulting Ltd. to assist the community in updating the vision of Port Hardy for the future.

Questions?

Contact: Heather Nelson-Smith, Director of Corporate Services
250-949-6665 or email OCP@porthardy.ca

Message from Mayor and Council



Happy New Year!

On behalf of myself and Council we would like to thank the District of Port Hardy employees, contractors and volunteers for all they did in 2019 making Port Hardy a great place to live and play. We look forward to working with you in 2020.

Something new we started in late 2019, live streaming! All of our regular Council meetings are available online. You can find the video link at the top of the agenda and an archive of past meetings will be available later in January on our website.

We are looking forward to a busy 2020, which will include the updating of our Official Community Plan starting with an open house January 25th. This will be a year filled with lots of opportunities to hear from you.

The Mayor and Deputy Mayor will continue with the monthly Brown Bag lunches which have been well attended. We appreciate hearing what you have to say about Port Hardy and how we can work together to improve the quality of life on the North Island. The next Brown Bag Lunch is scheduled for January 22, 2020 from 11:30 am-1:30 pm at the Market Street Café.

We are still anxious and optimistic that we will receive a favourable response regarding the Multiplex funding in January.

As we enter another month of the WFP / USW local 1-1937 strike, which has severely impacted our North Island communities, we must thank all of those who have stepped up to help out those in need over the past months and are hopeful that there will be a resolve which will end the strike as soon as possible.

We wish you all a safe, healthy and prosperous New Year and with your continued support we will continue to serve you to the best of our ability.

Mayor Dennis Dugas & Council

MORE WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

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NOW!

View the 2020 Council & Committee meeting schedule, subscribe to receive meeting agendas straight to your inbox and watch Council meetings LIVE at:

<https://porthardy.civicweb.net/Portal/>



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PORT HARDY



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Dennis Dugas

Councillors: Pat Corbett-Labatt, Janet Dorward,
Fred Robertson, Treena Smith
John Tidbury, Leighton Wishart

DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor John Tidbury – February 29, 2020

2020 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS - 7:00 PM
2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS OF EVERY MONTH

SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

JANUARY	14	28	FEBRUARY	11	25
MARCH	10	24	APRIL	14	28
MAY	12	26	JUNE	9	23
JULY	14		AUGUST	11	
SEPTEMBER	8		OCTOBER	13	27
NOVEMBER	10	24	DECEMBER	8	

January 2020 Winter Newsletter

Happy
New year

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**PORT HARDY RECREATION
GIVES A GREAT BIG THANK YOU
to all 2019/20 Holiday Swim & Skate Sponsors!**

- ◇ Keltic Seafoods Ltd.
- ◇ Scarlet Point Seafoods
- ◇ Hardy Bay Drugstore
- ◇ Parr's Construction
- ◇ Grier & Company
- ◇ Port Hardy Lions Club
- ◇ Coastal Community Credit Union
 - ◇ Napa Auto Parts
 - ◇ Stepping Stones Daycare
 - ◇ CUPE 401
- ◇ Vancouver Island Teachers Association
- ◇ LogoWest Promotions (Nanaimo)
- ◇ DB Perks & Associates Ltd. (Vancouver)
 - ◇ Ministry of Children & Family Development Staff



DID YOU KNOW that you do not have to run water to prevent pipes from freezing?

On average over 4.4 million litres of water are consumed DAILY in Port Hardy. During winter an additional 1 to 1.5 million litres MORE are consumed due to the unnecessary running of water to prevent pipes from freezing. Here are a few tips to prevent frozen pipes & reducing water consumption.

- 1) Fix skirting! Closing off skirting around a trailer, mobile home or other structures where piping may be open can reduce the exposure of piping infrastructure to the elements.
- 2) Insulate your pipes. Extra insulation keeps pipes protected from cooler temperatures.
- 3) Use a heat trace. Heat traces are an excellent option to apply heat to a pipe and reduce the risk of a pipe freezing and bursting.

More water conservation tips are available at porthardy.ca.

**WINTER SANDING &
SNOW PLOWING**

SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITY LIST

1. Hospital, Ambulance, Fire Hall, RCMP
2. School bus routes
3. Hills
4. Main streets and sidewalks
5. Side Streets, dead end roads & cul-de-sacs

A REMINDER ... the winter sanding and snow plowing season is upon us. *Please do not park vehicles (cars, trucks, trailers, boats etc.) basketball hoops or other equipment on District roadways as they interfere with plowing and sanding activities.*

**HOW CAN YOU HELP THE DISTRICT
IN SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS?**

- ◇ Expect minor delays after a snowfall and allow extra travel time.
- ◇ Please do your part to ensure safe road travel: use quality tires suitable for winter conditions, reduce your speed and travel only if necessary during and after major snowfalls.
- ◇ When approaching snow removal equipment give them plenty of room to operate.
- ◇ Please do not flag down operators to explain a point or request a favor, this slows down snow removal efforts. If you have questions or suggestions call Public Works at 250-949-7779.
- ◇ Please do not shovel snow from driveway or walkway into the street. This can cause safety issues if a vehicle hits this accumulation of snow and ice.
- ◇ Please park your vehicles in your driveway so the snow plow can clear the roadway in a neat and thorough manner.



Tiny Homes

The District of Port Hardy does not permit the installation or use of 'Tiny Homes' on any property within the District of Port Hardy, including use as an accessory structure. Manufactured homes are only permitted when they meet the minimum BC Building Code CSA standard and on property zoned for that use. If you are thinking about a Tiny Home please talk with the District's Building Inspector prior to making any purchases.

Financial Plan 2020-2024 Presentation

Tuesday January 28, 2020 6:30-7:00pm

7360 Columbia Street (Council Chambers)

Visit www.porthardy.ca for a copy of the Draft Financial Plan.



NOTICE TO PET OWNERS!

Discharge of consumer fireworks are annually permitted within the District of Port Hardy on October 31 from 5:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. Display fireworks may also be permitted for special events throughout the year. Keep your pet inside during these times to reduce exposure.



**2020 BUSINESS LICENCE
RENEWAL NOTICES
HAVE BEEN SENT OUT
**PLEASE REMIT BY
JANUARY 31, 2020****

REMINDER!

DOGS OVER 8 MONTHS OLD REQUIRE A LICENCE. 2020 TAGS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!



- ◆ Fee for spayed or neutered: \$15.50
- ◆ Fee for not spayed or not neutered: \$51.00
- ◆ **NEW!** Temporary tags are now available for dogs younger than 8 months FREE
- ◆ Non-licensed dogs = double impoundment fines

Remember: a dog tag is the fastest and best way to reunite you and your pet when one of you gets lost!

2019 PROPERTY TAXES

OUTSTANDING 2019 PROPERTY TAXES & UTILITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019 HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO ARREARS TAXES AND ARE ACCRUING **DAILY INTEREST**

Home Owner Grant? *You can still apply for 2019. Inquire at the Municipal Hall for more information on how to apply.*

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT REVIEW PROCESS

Have concerns regarding your 2020 property assessment?

Start with these steps:

1. Review all details on your Assessment Notice.
2. Discuss concerns or questions with your local assessment office.
3. Request a formal review in writing by filing a written notice of complaint with the assessor by **January 31 at 11:59 pm PST.**

More info at: www.bcasessment.ca

email: courtenay@bcassessment.ca

Phone: (250) 338-6511 Toll Free: 1-800-977-2771

Mail: 2488 Idiens Way, Courtenay, BC V9N 9B5



PORT HARDY OUTREACH
8785 GRAY STREET, PORT HARDY, BC

Wednesday, February 12 from 1 pm to 4:30 pm
Thursday, February 13 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm
Wednesday, March 11 from 1 pm to 4:30 pm
Thursday, March 12 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Service Canada agents can assist with access to Federal Government services such as:

- Employment Insurance;
- Pensions connected to the Canada Pension Plan (disability, death and survivor benefits);
- Old Age Security and Guaranteed Income Supplement;
- Social Insurance Numbers.

For more information call 1-800-622-6232.