

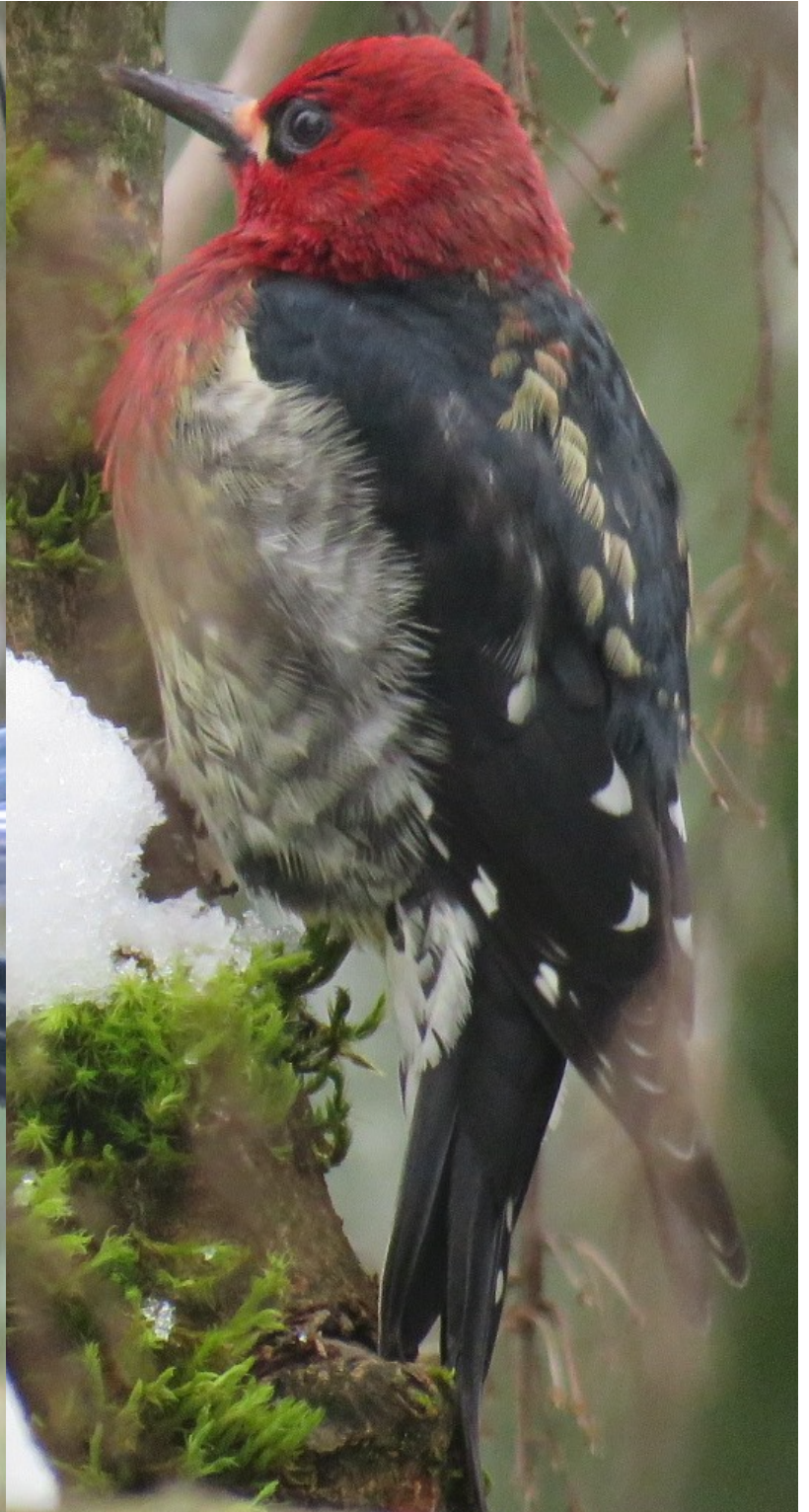


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Please remember that the deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month!

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IMPORTANT DATES

April 2019

| | |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| Apr 1st | April Fools Day! |
| April 3rd | Special Council Meeting @ 2pm. |

(The purpose of the meeting is for Council to consider approval of a Shared Staff Service Agreement with the Village of Anmore.)

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| Apr 5th | New Moon |
| Apr 8th | Council Meeting @ 7.00 pm |
| Apr 11th | Volunteer Appreciation! |
| Apr 19th | Full Moon |
| Apr 19th | Good Friday |
| Apr 19 - Apr 27th | Passover |
| Apr 21st | Easter Sunday |
| Apr 21st | Easter Pancake Breakfast & Egg Hunt |
| Apr 22nd | Easter Monday |
| Apr 22nd | St. George's Day! |
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| Apr 29th | Council Meeting @ 7.00pm |



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VILLAGE OF BELCARRA

- MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

2019

ITEMS OF NOTE

25th February

5. REPORTS

5.1 Nancy Gomerich, NG Consulting, provided a report dated February 25, 2019 regarding the 2019 – 2023 Financial Plan.

N. Gomerich provided a PowerPoint presentation as follows:

- Plan Context & Development Process
- Project Highlights
- Property Tax & Fee Proposals & Drivers
 - Inflation / Cost Increases
 - Salaries & Benefits – tied to Region
 - Waste and Recycle Depot (WARD)
 - Water Fund
 - General Fund
 - Other Government Property Taxes
 - Taxable Assessment – BC Assessment Authority
- Overview Revenues, Expenses, Reserves & Surplus
- Next Steps
 - Adopt 2019 – 2023 Financial Plan Bylaw prior to May 15, 2019
 - Adopt Amended Fees Bylaw
 - April / May – Adoption of Tax Rate Bylaw prior to May 15, 2019

N. Gomerich noted that a considerable amount of work went into the budget preparation following public input and several meetings with Council.

Discussion ensued with regard to Council policy.

A Water Fund increase of \$119.00 to fund Water Capital Reserves was added to the budget. Council will further refine plans for funds when the Corporate Strategic Plan is finalized.

Mayor Belenkie noted that the lighting at the 8 Bus Stops will only proceed if a 100% funded grant from TransLink is obtained. The Honourable Selena Robinson is working to help secure funding from TransLink. It was noted that the Marine Avenue stair improvement in the amount of \$10,000.00 remains in the budget but is deferred for further discussion with the community.

Mayor Belenkie advised that the Midden Road overlay in the amount of \$60,000.00 was a minimum repair. The Village has requested TransLink to move the bus stop off Midden Road to prevent further damage by Transit buses.

Councillor Drake noted that the Revenue Generation Committee may look at Midden Road to determine whether it may be closed and if there is potential for lot development.

Mayor Belenkie has meetings scheduled with Metro Vancouver to discuss the small municipality funding model, the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department and the Water System funding.

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Begg

That the Village of Belcarra 5 Year Financial Plan 2019 – 2023 Bylaw No. 531, 2019 be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

(Financial Plan Continued on Page 5.)

Schedule A – Financial Plan

| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| REVENUES | | | | | |
| Municipal property taxes | 732,714 | 750,939 | 769,787 | 789,108 | 808,913 |
| Water parcel taxes | 233,498 | 233,498 | 233,498 | 233,498 | 233,498 |
| Grants in lieu of taxes | 10,927 | 11,091 | 11,257 | 11,426 | 11,597 |
| Fees and charges | | | | | |
| Recycle & refuse fees | 115,766 | 120,357 | 123,043 | 125,789 | 128,596 |
| Water fees | 256,259 | 273,888 | 293,404 | 315,544 | 340,110 |
| Penalties & interest on fees and taxes | 11,055 | 11,055 | 11,055 | 11,055 | 11,055 |
| Permits and licences | 97,650 | 97,650 | 97,650 | 97,650 | 97,650 |
| Other | 6,088 | 6,266 | 6,529 | 6,760 | 7,521 |
| Interest income | 27,100 | 27,100 | 27,100 | 27,100 | 27,100 |
| Conditional operating transfers, other govt's | 382,975 | 139,987 | 109,014 | 110,056 | 111,115 |
| Unconditional transfers, other govt's | 309,300 | 309,300 | 309,300 | 309,300 | 309,300 |
| Municipal Finance Authority debt actuarial | 28,300 | 33,700 | 39,300 | 45,144 | 28,294 |
| | 2,211,631 | 2,014,829 | 2,030,936 | 2,082,430 | 2,114,750 |
| EXPENSES | | | | | |
| Legislative | 92,013 | 91,995 | 93,605 | 115,248 | 96,922 |
| Administration (incl. Planning & Development) | 742,036 | 706,596 | 677,261 | 688,210 | 700,011 |
| Transportation | 294,999 | 299,298 | 303,667 | 308,109 | 312,624 |
| Recycle & refuse | 106,484 | 109,006 | 111,593 | 114,246 | 116,967 |
| Water system | 202,900 | 211,856 | 226,001 | 259,623 | 261,584 |
| Long-term debt interest (water system) | 128,800 | 128,800 | 128,800 | 128,800 | 128,800 |
| Amortization | 287,100 | 287,100 | 287,100 | 287,100 | 287,100 |
| | 1,854,332 | 1,834,650 | 1,828,028 | 1,901,335 | 1,904,008 |
| ANNUAL SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) | 357,299 | 180,179 | 202,908 | 181,094 | 210,741 |
| Add back: Amortization expense | 287,100 | 287,100 | 287,100 | 287,100 | 287,100 |
| Add back: Water meter inventory expense | 4,728 | 4,728 | 4,728 | 4,728 | 4,728 |
| Deduct out: Debt actuarial revenue | (28,300) | (33,700) | (39,300) | (45,144) | (28,294) |
| Transfers from reserves for operations | 6,946 | 1,946 | 1,946 | 38,246 | 1,946 |
| Transfers (to)/ from surplus for operations | 33,529 | 17,850 | 9,850 | 9,850 | 9,850 |
| CASH AVAILABLE FROM OPERATIONS FOR CAPITAL & RESERVES | 661,302 | 458,103 | 467,232 | 475,874 | 486,071 |
| Water debt principal repayment | (106,645) | (106,645) | (106,645) | (106,645) | (106,645) |
| Transfers (to) non-statutory reserves | (55,900) | (55,900) | (55,900) | (55,900) | (55,900) |
| Transfers (to) statutory reserves for capital | (257,757) | (265,558) | (274,687) | (283,329) | (293,526) |
| Transfers from statutory reserves for capital | 185,700 | 134,200 | 146,500 | 199,000 | 256,000 |
| Capital expenditures | (426,700) | (164,200) | (176,500) | (229,000) | (286,000) |
| FINANCIAL PLAN BALANCE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

(Continued from Page 5)

5.2 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a report dated February 12, 2019 regarding Residential Only Parking within the Village

L. Dysart outlined the report and the proposed bylaw changes. The changes are to implement Resident Only Parking in the Village. This will address issues related to overflow parking demands for visitors to Belcarra Regional Park.

Residents would be provided with 2 parking passes per residence as well as additional passes for guests.

Discussion ensued with regard to the issuance of special parking permits for groups such as the scuba divers, kayakers and the Waterski Club.

Council and residents discussed parking issues in certain areas. It was suggested that Resident Only Parking be a topic for discussion at a Town Hall meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Clark

Seconded by: Councillor Drake

That the report from Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer dated February 12, 2019 regarding "Residential Only Parking" within the Village be deferred.

CARRIED

Mayor Belenkie & Councillor Begg voted in opposition

6. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND PROJECT LEADS

Speculation Tax

Mayor Belenkie provided an update on his efforts to have the Speculation Tax removed in Belcarra.

Metro Vancouver / Parks

Mayor Belenkie provided information regarding Metro Vancouver support for the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department and the Belcarra Water System. He noted that an agreement for a water connection for the picnic area of Belcarra Regional Park has been negotiated. A report will be brought to Council in this regard.

ACTION

8.1 Belcarra Barnacle Society, letter dated February 20, 2019 regarding 2019 Community Grant Request.

Considerable discussion ensued with regard to the Belcarra Barnacle Society grant request.

Moved by: Councillor Wilder

Seconded by: Councillor Drake

That the Belcarra Barnacle Society 2019 request for a Grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 be approved; and

That the grant be paid at the end of May 2019; and
That additional accounting information be requested from the Belcarra Barnacle Society.

CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

Bear Bylaw

Councillor Drake provided an overview on properties where garbage has become an attractant for bears and other dangerous wildlife. Discussion ensued with regard to the creation of a Bylaw to provide an avenue for warnings and fines for residents where properties cause unnecessary wildlife issues.

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That staff prepare a Bear Bylaw with warnings and fines related to wildlife issues.

CARRIED

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Resident Hall Use

Mayor Belenkíe provided an update of the use of the Hall by residents. A reasonable alternate fob access system has been established with the alarm company. Work is continuing on providing access to residents. Mayor Belenkíe advised that requirements surrounding a “beer fridge” for residents using the Village Hall has been approved by the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch, Province of BC.

11th March

5. REPORTS

5.1 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, verbal report regarding appointment of Council members as Bylaw Enforcement Officers.

Recommendation:

That Mayor Belenkíe, Councillor Begg and Councillor Clark be appointed as Bylaw Enforcement Officers.

5.2 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, report dated March 11, 2019 regarding Hamber Island Subdivision Application – Resolution to authorize Statutory Right of Way for drainage, snow clearing and turnaround

Recommendation:

That Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign two Statutory Rights of Way documents related to the proposed subdivision of the Saito Lands, which consist of the following existing lots:

- DL 4992 Group 1 NWM District
- DL 4991 Group 1 except part subdivided by plan 52302
- Lot 38 DL 229 and 4991 Group 1 NWP 52302
- Lot 11 Block 10 DL 229 Group 1 NWP 1095

5.3 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, report dated March 11, 2019 regarding a Proposed Designated Anchorage Area (DAA) Program

Recommendation:

That the Chief Administrative Officer work in a collaborative manner with Naomi Horsford, Manager, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations, Port of Vancouver, to bring back a Council report and a proposed contract on developing a Designated Anchorage Area (DAA) Program for Bedwell Bay, and other potential areas.

5.4 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, report dated March 11, 2019 regarding Resident Use of the Village Hall.

Recommendation:

That the Chief Administrative Officer continue to work towards implementing a Resident Use of the Village Hall Plan; and

That the Plan and Terms of Use for the Village Hall be prepared for Council approval.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Date: March 11, 2019

From: Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer
Subject: Hamber Island Subdivision Application – Resolution to authorize Statutory Rights of Way for drainage, snow clearing, and turnaround.

Recommendation:

That Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign two Statutory Rights of Way documents related to the proposed subdivision of the Saito Lands, which consist of the following existing lots:

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- DL 4992 Group 1 NWM District
- DL 4991 Group 1 except part subdivided by plan 52302
- Lot 38 DL 229 and 4991 Group 1 NWP 52302
- Lot 11 Block 10 DL 229 Group 1 NWP 1095

Purpose

To seek authorization from Council to sign two Statutory Rights of Way related to the proposed subdivision of the Saito Lands to provide the Village with a snow clearing and turnaround space on Turtlehead Road and to provide for storm drainage.

Background

Subdivision Proposal and Context

The Village of Belcarra (Village) has received and reviewed a subdivision application (as indicated in Figure 1) pertaining to the Saito Lands (site).

The Saito Lands currently consist of four properties as listed above, which would be subdivided to consolidate the lands into two properties, namely Lot 1 and Lot 2.

The adjacent property to the northeast (Lot 37) is not subject to the subdivision, but the owners have also agreed to the relevant Statutory Rights of Way (SRWs) outlined in this report

Date: March 11, 2019

From: Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer

Subject: Proposed Designated Anchorage Area (DAA) Program

Recommendation;

That the Chief Administrative Officer work in a collaborative manner with Naomi Horsford, Manager, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations, Port of Vancouver, to bring back a Council report and a proposed contract on developing a Designated Anchorage Area (DAA) Program for Bedwell Bay, and other potential areas.

Purpose:

To request the Chief Administrative Officer to bring back a report to Council on a proposed Designated Anchorage Area Program similar to the Program that has been developed in Port Moody. Port Moody worked on developing a Pilot Project over a two-year period with significant public consultation. The complete Port Moody program was implemented over a four-year time period. The Port Moody project, which has now been implemented, will be useful for staff to review.

Background:

Belcarra has experienced an increase in boats anchored in Bedwell Bay as a result of a Designated Anchorage Area being implemented in Port Moody. In addition to an increase in the number of boats, it is noted that the boaters' length of stay has increased, and some boats may be anchored all year. Boats discharging their waste into the Bay is not permitted under Transport Canada regulation, but without a DAA it is a difficult situation to manage. When the City of Port Moody implemented the DAA in July 2016, the increase in boats anchoring in Bedwell Bay increased significantly.

The District of North Vancouver is also working on a plan to develop a DAA in Deep Cove. The implementation of a DAA in Deep Cove may further increase the number of boats being anchored in Bedwell Bay. There will be many aspects to develop a plan for a Designated Anchorage Area in Bedwell Bay. Terms and Conditions of a contract with Port Metro Vancouver, and an outline of costs and cost recovery options for the DAA Program will be included in a report that will be brought back to Council. Consideration of a DAA Program will include implementing a DAA with mooring buoys demarking the anchorage area. Work on the DAA program will be over and above the work plan in the 2019 Corporate Strategic Plan.

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2018 SVFD CALL-OUT STATISTICS

FILE NO. 7200-01

The **SVFD** call-outs during 2018 were typical in distribution, and slightly lower than the average of 102 call-outs per year over the past five years (see graph):

- **Total Call-Outs** amounted to **98** during **2018**, distributed as follows:
 - Anmore Village 78 (80%)
 - Belcarra Village 20 (20%)
- **Fire Calls (FIRE)** accounted for **23** call-outs (**23%**):
 - Anmore Village 14 (61%)
 - Belcarra Village 9 (39%)
- **Medical Emergencies (MESA)** accounted for **50** call-outs (**51%**):
 - Anmore Village 44 (88%)
 - Belcarra Village 6 (12%)
- **Motor Vehicle Incidents (MVI)** accounted for **13** call-outs (**13%**):
 - Anmore Village 13 (100%)
 - Belcarra Village 0 (0%)
- **Other (Misc.)** accounted for **12** call-outs (**12%**):
 - Anmore Village 7 (58%)
 - Belcarra Village 5 (42%)



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Belcarra Blockwatch

Submitted by Diana Drake and
Carol Drew

Cougar Alert

The weather is warming and the 'big cats' are back. Since February 1st there have been thirty-nine sightings of cougars in the Tri-Cities. There were only six in the same time period in 2018.

Conservation officers say that these cougars are probably on the hunt for smaller, domestic prey. As the days become drier, the scent of deer dissipates faster. Cougars will search out high human-use areas where family pets are plentiful and easier to find.

"People should be vigilant...." says one expert, "especially during the hours leading up to and immediately after dawn and dusk..." when cougars are most active. "Small children and household pets should be watched closely and people should avoid walking in wooded areas...during the times mentioned." Also:

- keep all pets indoors after dusk.
- keep small dogs on a leash when out walking.
- if a cougar is encountered, make yourself as tall as possible, yell aggressively and maintain eye contact.
- never turn your back; never run.
- keep small children and pets close; pick them up if possible and hold them.
- make loud noises - clapping, shouting, whistling
- carry bear spray if hiking

Please report all sightings in the Village to the B.C. Conservation Officers Service . They will then be able to track the cougars movements over time. That number is: 1-877-952-7277

RCMP Sponsored Shredding Event:

On April 13, 2019, Coquitlam RCMP and Green Machine Shredding will be hosting a community shredding event to help protect you from fraud and identity theft.

The event will run from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Coquitlam RCMP Detachment, 2986 Guildford Way, Coquitlam.

All it will cost you is a cash or food donation to SHARE which will be collected at the event.

Green Machine Shredding will be accepting up to four boxes (or 45kg/100 lb) of clean, paper documents for immediate shredding. Make sure that you sort out important personal, legal and tax documents before you come to the event. Cardboard, plastics or excessively dirty paper cannot be accepted.



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Passage of Abandoned Vessels Act

An Important Step in Addressing Issue of Derelict Boats

Vancouver BC – The passage of federal legislation on the issue of abandoned boats underlines the need for boaters to take proactive measures and appropriately manage their vessels through to their end of life, says the Boating BC Association.

Bill C-64 increases owner responsibility and liability for vessels – and not complying with the Act can now result in penalties of up to \$50,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for companies or corporations.

“We believe the passage of this federal legislation will serve as both a reminder and incentive for boaters to take action,” says Association President, Don Pritté. “We know the vast majority of boaters are responsible, and step-one is educating owners and ensuring they know how and where they can dispose of their vessels.”

Boating BC received a grant under Transport Canada’s Abandoned Boats Program to support a public relations campaign that will be leveraged through municipal and industry gatherings and promoted by Association members throughout the province. An important aspect of the campaign is the creation of a data base that includes boat disposal options: www.boatingbc.ca/boatdisposal.

Derelict and abandoned vessels are an eyesore – but more significantly, they pose navigational, environmental and safety risks. Abandoned or derelict boats may wash ashore or sink, releasing fuel or toxins which put marine life and habitat at risk. These vessels also pose a danger to the boating public and beachgoers and are a hindrance to waterfront businesses and local economies.

More information about Bill C-64 is available at: <https://bit.ly/2NANVva>

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Stories From The Archives —

Twin Cities Advancing Step-by-Step

Researched by Ralph Drew, Belcarra, BC, March 2019.

Source: Coquitlam Star, Wednesday, February 19th, 1913.

The twin cities of Port Coquitlam and Port Moody continue to advance together step by step towards the formal ratification by the Legislature of their elevation into civic rank. In both cases the stage of discussion was already passed when the bills left the hands of the Private Bills Committee, but the passage of these bills through the house on second and third readings had to follow according to the course of Parliamentary procedure. The following account of the second readings of the two bills on Wednesday last is taken from the 'Victoria Colonist' of [Thursday] February 13th [1913]:

Proceedings of the Legislature

Yesterday being private members day in the local Assembly, the business of Parliament was largely confined to the advance of non-ministerial legislation. Mr. W. J. Manson, of Dewdney, being received with vociferous applause when he rose to move second readings of his bills providing for the incorporation of the new cities of Port Coquitlam and Port Moody. In connection with the latter, Mr. Manson traced briefly the part which Port Moody bears in British Columbia history as the one-time terminal in the West of the Canadian Pacific [Railway]. Upon the railway being pushed on down Burrard Inlet the original terminal was necessarily abandoned and this had naturally had a most depressing effect upon property values. The last five years, however, had witnessed steady and substantial development at Port Moody, no better evidence of which could be sought than the present proceedings for incorporation as a city.

The population in the area proposed to be incorporated was at present about 1,300, while the assessed value of the land within the new corporate limits approximated five and quarter million dollars. The industrial enterprises of the place included saw-milling on an extensive scale and the production of commercial gravel, of which there were exceptionally fine deposits in the immediate vicinity. Questions as to additional and much necessary water supply for the present requirements and for projected industrial establishments has led in part to the decision to incorporate as a city; another question requiring immediate attention was that of sewerage, and in addition the town required street lighting and general electrical services. The B.C.E.R. [British Columbia Electrical Railway] Company was now proposing to build a tram line from New Westminster to Port Moody, and the Western Canada Power Company had also promised tramway connection with the new city. The powers sought by the incorporators were of a very modest character, no special privileges being asked for. The corporate limits as proposed would embrace all of the unincorporated territory capable of being used advantageously for industrial purposes.

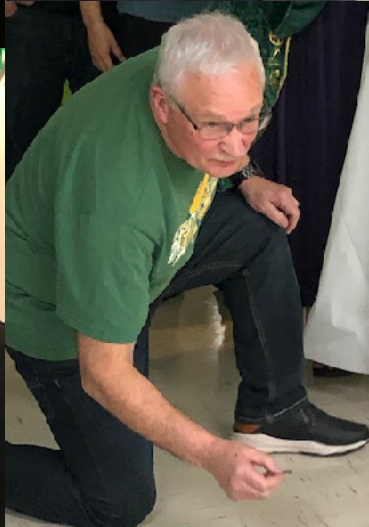
Traces Coquitlam's Development

Mr. Manson similarly traced the rapid development of conditions at Port Coquitlam and prophesied a roseate future for that centre of population. The area of the city of Port Coquitlam would approximate some forty thousand acres, with an assessed value of more than eight million dollars. The C.P.R. had recently purchased for terminal yard purposes some seven hundred acres and would have a large number of men continuously employed, the yards being among the best on the American continent, with over one hundred miles of trackage. Both bills passed second reading without objection or debate.



Celebrating St.
Patrick's Day at
The Village Tavern!





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VILLAGE NEWS

QUIPS AND QUOTES

Submitted by Barbara Shelly

Yo-Yo Ma talking about the nature of creativity:
 "It's the tenacity or the willpower or the stubbornness or the dog-with-a-bone aspect. You're going to pursue it to the end of the earth, no matter what it takes."



BARNACLE TRAVELS!

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Peter Struk in California.



Some residents on Main Avenue are looking into setting up a regular service/maintenance contract with a company by the name of Total Power. A fellow from Total Power came out, on very short notice on Dec. 20, to service a malfunctioning generator.

There has been discussion with Miguel at Total Power about the benefits of being on a regular service/maintenance contract. There may also be a discount if there are other people on-board to sign up for a regular service/maintenance contract as well ~ so far we have 3. We believe the maintenance technician could make 2 or 3 trips to Belcarra and service all the generators in that time frame. It's a large company, with outlets in various cities/provinces, but we used the one based in Maple Ridge.

Please let Bonni know if you are interested, or if there is anyone else you feel may be interested in getting on-board with this idea.

Submitted on behalf of Bonni &
 Brian Marshall
 604-340-6382



HEART & STROKE CANVASSING RESULTS for 2019

| | | |
|-------|------|-------------|
| Total | 2019 | \$13,725.20 |
| Total | 2018 | \$13,661.00 |

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| Koko Carlson | Bedwell Bay Rd 3600~3400, Watson |

A special thank you to Megan Shelly for canvassing her workplace, Farris Vaughan Wills & Murphy, a law firm in Vancouver. She was responsible for collecting over \$9000.00 in 2018 and again in 2019. Well done Megan! I would also like to thank the residents of Belcarra for their generous support when we canvass our neighbourhoods. Many of you wait for our knock at your door. It is this personal touch that is the secret to our success. THANK YOU!

Respectfully submitted,
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Belcarra Blessings

Deborah Struk

'Enjoy living in Belcarra; paradise this side of paradise'

Hello April! How can it be the year is already 1/4 done and pressing on fast? Spring Equinox has come and gone and the days continue to get longer! Vitamin D should become increasingly more plentiful. As I write this I am thinking about my garden plantings. I hired THE most amazing local, Peter Clark, to prep my garden beds. Who here does NOT like buttercups? Next, I shall confer with my amazing neighbour to the south for planting ideas. Her garden could easily win awards. So, rather than wrack my unlearned brain and search the Internet I trust neighbourhood pros. Alas, yes, I have tried over the years but I am too right brained and unlearned to come up with something that makes me sigh with contentment.

Must haves are colour and areas for all the amazing birds to flit about in. I am currently in Southern California and am enjoying proliferous amounts of brightly coloured geraniums, sweet peas and many other colourful varieties. The abundance of rain has made for very lush flower beds. That California drought is long gone.

I look forward to being home to garden and help our 'Little Village that Could' move forward. It is an honour to attend council meetings, Town Halls and committee meetings. We are not lacking growing pains, but as we move forward with patience, integrity, humility and openness, we can accomplish much. Kind of like my gardens, rooting out things that shouldn't be and planning for beauty and fruitfulness moving forward. Right? Let's hope not too many 10 legged carrot creatures, right Peter?

It is a great privilege to be involved in community. I hear the Pub Night was a success, once again! Sorry we had to miss it. The Easter Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt, will no doubt be an amazing event. It would be great to see more people out to the meetings at the Village Hall. Attendance has increased but it is wonderful to see and hear more residents from throughout the Village.

Happy Spring and Easter Blessings!



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Submitted by Bonni Marshall

I just wanted to let you know that we just completed a turf project at our home last Friday. Tanner Yelland (and his team) at Tanner's Turf Inc. did the job. They did an excellent job!

Tanner and his team are reliable, dependable, hardworking, clean (they left the site impeccably clean at the end of each work day before they left), they worked well together and were pleasant to one another. The project started last Monday and the first day there were about 9 guys here, each day after that there were 5 or 6 guys. Tanner said they would push hard and try to complete the job in one week, and they did.

The guys all had 'clean' mouths as well. No foul language was used the entire time they were here. This is rare in today's world.

Tanner is a very honest, upright guy with the utmost integrity. He is very trustworthy, and was true to his word on the schedule, the process, the price...you name it. No surprises whatsoever! In fact, he did a few extra things for us without charging us. All of this is practically unheard of nowadays.

Tanner is also a very resourceful guy. We decided, only a day into the project, to take a cherry blossom tree out. The trunk had some rot, and the tree was getting way too large.

We had already had it pruned a few times. In any event, Tanner said he knew a guy who was good and reasonably priced. He got the guy here with one day's notice and we were able to take the tree out while the turf project was still in the early stages.

Tanner's company can handle all manner of property maintenance (eg. landscaping jobs from artificial turf, to natural sod or seed, hardscaping, gardens, decks, patios). In the winter his company handles snow removal, salting etc. They also do power washing. Pretty much any property maintenance.

Tanner is a great go-to-guy for many different jobs or projects. Tanner's Turf Inc. is based in Langley. Tanner himself lives in White Rock with his wife and children.

Tanner works all over the Lower Mainland. He has done projects from Chilliwack all the way to West Vancouver. This is a good resource for anyone who needs the services Tanner's company provides.

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- 2) educating park visitors about intertidal creatures such as crabs and sea stars (education and interpretation)
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- 4) caring for live ocean animals (animal handling)

Time commitments:

The program runs from June 29th to September 2nd on weekends and holidays. The time commitment required is a minimum of thirty hours (6 five hour shifts).



An average weekend shift is from 10:50 am to 4 pm and would involve a combination of all four activities and a half an hour lunch break.

Volunteers sign up for the shifts using an online calendar. After completion of thirty hours, volunteers receive a reference letter. No previous knowledge of marine life or fishing regulations is required, as training is provided.

Considerations:

Volunteers are required to attend the training session on Saturday, June 22nd.

Looking for volunteers that are curious, passionate about learning, reliable, hardworking, and ready and willing to communicate with diverse park visitors in an inclusive way.

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Underwater Alphabet

Written by Isabelle Côté, Belcarra's Professor of Marine Ecology
Fun factoids about local marine wildlife, one letter at a time.

Q is for... quillback rockfish. This is one of three rockfish species that divers commonly see in Indian Arm, although there are as many as 37 species in BC waters. Most of these rockfish species are variations on a theme: they have deep bodies, wide tails, and thick lips. But like coral reef fishes, they are relatively easy to tell apart by their colour patterns. I always think of quillback as a fish of two halves: mottled yellow and brown at the front and solid brown or black behind.

Quillback rockfish have long, spiky spines on their back fin that are reminiscent of quills (think of the feathery writing implement or of a porcupine). Those are definitely a part of the fish to stay away from: there are glands that secrete venom at the base of these spines, which protect quillback from predators. They are not very toxic to humans but can still cause pain. In fact, this feature gives quillback its scientific species name: *maliger*, which in Greek means 'to bear a mast'. The first part of quillback's scientific name, *Sebastes*, means 'magnificent', which I think is quite appropriate.

Quillback rockfish have long been a prized food fish targeted by fishermen (and women) up and down the BC coast. The fact that they live inshore makes them an easy target. Unfortunately, quillback populations have declined greatly since the 1980s. This is such a concern that 10 years ago, the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada recommended that this species be listed as threatened. (The Government has ignored the recommendation so far...). We are lucky to have good numbers of quillback rockfish in Indian Arm.






Submitted by Dave Warren &
Lísa Wilder

The Dame of Belcarra saw a flood of green everywhere that was not envy of losers, but the radiant colour was an electrifying flow of revellers enjoying the rites of Irish spring at the Village Tavern. 85 almost Irish wine and dined the evening of Saturday 16th March, in honour of St Paddy to celebrate the termination of a couple weeks of a mean Belcarra winter. CRAB sponsored the event by deploying volunteers to set up, decorate, and clean up the hall. Oh yes and in between those tasks, wine, beer, and of course Guinness cascaded while the revellers consumed Henry's Outdoor BBQ chicken and Michael Callaghan's Caesar salad.

Special thanks to a mystery donor of a wine gift basket and to Westwood Plateau Golf for their door prize donation of 4 golf passes, plus 2 Above & Beyond golf simulator gift certificates, these generous door prizes won by Patty Neibel, Steve Bakx, Bill Belich, amongst others.

Leprechauns did a jig, Brazilians sashayed salsas, while other dancers boogied in their own designer styles. Between sets of Sue Belich's recorded eclectic music Barker Bill Belich's Irish tongue lured coins from the depths of pockets and purses. As a true circus barker, Bill prolonged the 'Twoonie Toss' to encourage competitive participants to throw their money away to cover cost of the four 40#er prize bottles of liquor and a chance at the bonus 50/50 draw.

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Winners this year included Les Bramley (Bacardi Rum), Sure-Shot Charlie (who took home not only the Carolan's but also the coveted bottle of Grey Goose Vodka), and Estela Hughes who not only used her skills in the Toonie Toss to win the bottle of Bombay Sapphire Gin, but also walked away with the ultimate prize, for all the marbles in the playground, the proceeds of the 50/50 bonus draw! Congratulations to all ~ it was definitely an evening of entertainment enjoyed by everyone as villagers and guests alike imbibed in the Irish spirit.

A special guest of the evening was Lil Hueser who joined us from Kinsdale, Saskatchewan! Thanks Donna for bringing your Mum!

Please extend a huge round of applause and thank you to the volunteer Social Committee who spent countless hours organizing a fantastic evening for our villagers and their guests.

Sunday Pancake Breakfast at the Village Hall Bistro followed by the children's candied egg hunt at the park. For \$5 dollars you can devour scrumptious pancakes with sausages and, if you are early enough, a healthy fruit salad is also served. If no one is looking, small children 10 years and under can sneak into the venue for a free meal. After everyone is well sated we head to the park to reacquaint with neighbours while children scour the bushes for chocolate treats. All this is offered by CRAB volunteers as long as you continue to deposit your recyclable beverage containers at the WARD. It also helps if you purchase an annual CRAB membership for \$30 that gives a bonus of the coveted Resident Directory.

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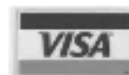
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