



Town of Gibsons

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Tracy Forster, Administrative Assistant II

DATE: September 9, 2019

SUBJECT: **Correspondence for the Week Ending September 9, 2019**

Please note: *Only correspondence indicated has been forwarded to staff. If you have any questions, or would like staff to follow up with items on the CRF, please contact Lindsey as items do not need to wait for a Council meeting to be actioned.*

1. Time Sensitive Material

- 2019-09-05 Gov of Canada re 2020 Prime Minister's Award Nomination Deadline Jan 14, 2020 at 1159am
- 2019-09-07 Colin Stansfield, Gibsons Public Market re Announcement from Pamela Goldsmith-Jones Sept 7, 1130am
- 2019-09-09 SCR D News Release - Volunteers Needed for Trash Bash Annual Community Clean Up - Sept 21, 11am-3pm
- 2019-09-09 Jannie Bédard Guillemette, Ship-source Oil Pollution re Meeting invitation at UBCM Convention – Sept 23 to 26
- 2019-09-09 Sunshine Coast Salmonid Enhancement Society re Wine & Cheese Social & Auction Sept 21, 2-5pm

2. Regular Correspondence (Including Emails)

- 2019 UBCM Annual Report & Resolutions
- 2019-08-26 **22(1) FOIPPA** on behalf of **22(1) FOIPPA**, Thank you
- 2019-09-04 Acting Mayor Henry Wiebe, Village of Burns Lake Requesting Support for UBCM Resolution
- 2019-09-04 UBCM The Compass Newsletter
- 2019-09-05 BC Wildfire Service re Coastal Fire Centre Status Report
- 2019-09-05 Dorthe Jakobsen, BC Wildfire Service re Prescribed Burns to Help Restore Garry Oak Ecosystems
- 2019-09-06 Amber Price, Chilliwack Citizens for Change re Rainbow Crosswalks
- 2019-09-06 FCM Communique re A Rural and Northern Lens on our Housing Call
- 2019-09-06 **22(1) FOIPPA** re Dog Licensing & Regulation Bylaw 930
- 2019-09 Correspondence regarding Supportive Housing



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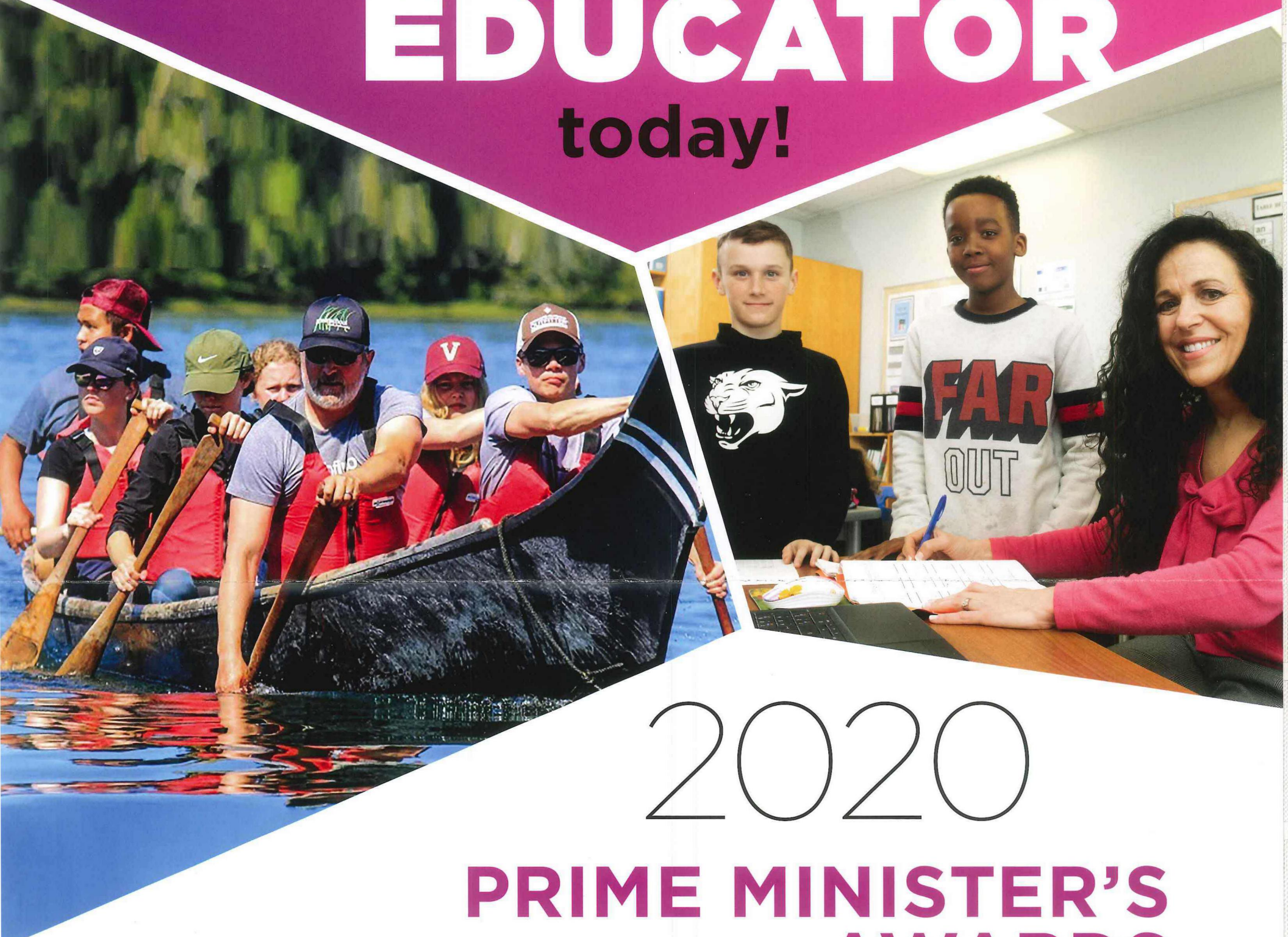
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Mayor and Council

From: Colin Stansfield <colinstansfield@gibsonspublicmarket.com>
Sent: September 6, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Mayor and Council; Emanuel Machado
Cc: probertson@gibsonspublicmarket.com
Subject: important Gibsons announcement from Pamela Goldsmith-Jones | Saturday, September 7, 11:30am | Gibsons Public Market

Good afternoon, Mayor and Council.

We've received confirmation from Pamela Goldsmith-Jones' office that she will be here at Gibsons Public Market tomorrow morning (at 11:30am) to announce a funding agreement between the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Education Centre and the Federal Government, through the Minister of the Environment who is responsible for Environment and Climate Change Canada.

Pamela Goldsmith-Jones' office was hoping that there would be a formal media release from ECCC's communication department sometime in the last couple days but it seems things are a touch scattered out east as we await the dropping of the writ.

I'm sorry not to be able to provide more information, but I'm stuck following Government's lead. I hope that some or all of you might be available to attend the announcement tomorrow morning. A representative from the Squamish Nation Council will also be on hand to celebrate this announcement.

By way of context and in the absence of a formal media release that still might follow:

Gibsons Marine Education Centre Society, through the Minister of the Environment who is responsible for Environment and Climate Change Canada, has been awarded a \$100,000 grant to deliver new activities that will foster greater understanding of the impacts of climate change, and support actions to ensure that communities on the Sunshine Coast thrive in a changing climate.

Funding will support the following key activities:

1. promoting reconciliation and a respect for Traditional Ecological Knowledge through curation of our community aquarium;
2. hosting special events and educational programs concerning the effects of climate change on local marine environments; and
3. delivering capacity-building workshops for community and business leaders to encourage climate resilience and adaptation.

This work is perfectly aligned with the Centre's vision to foster an educated community that actively cares for the health of our oceans, and it leverages all facets of our mission - an inspiring collect-and-release aquarium, environmental education, and community-based stewardship initiatives.

We're very excited about this fabulous opportunity to advance our shared interests in a vibrant, healthy, sustainable community.

Colin Stansfield

Executive Director

604-886-8814

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Operating the Gibsons Public Market and the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Education Centre

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Gibsons General Mailbox

From: Cecilia Garcia <Cecilia.Garcia@scrd.ca>
Sent: September 9, 2019 9:27 AM
To: Cecilia Garcia
Subject: News Release - Volunteers Needed for the Trash Bash Annual Community Clean Up



News Release

Volunteers Needed for the Trash Bash Annual Community Clean Up

Sechelt, BC—September 9, 2019— The Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) is inviting all members of the community to participate in the eighth annual “Backroad Trash Bash” taking place on Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This year’s event will focus on cleaning up illegal dump sites off forest service roads from Halfmoon Bay to Roberts Creek.

Since the event launched in 2012, over 45 tonnes of illegally dumped material has been hauled out of forests and off backroads and disposed of responsibly at the landfill. Each year, an average of 40 to 50 volunteers help clean up a different area of the Sunshine Coast.

“Some materials that are dumped can be disposed of for free under product stewardship programs such as electronics, tires, lead acid batteries, and used paint,” says Robyn Cooper, SCRD Manager, Solid Waste Programs.

For this year’s event, the SCRD is asking community members and businesses to volunteer their time and services to help clean up illegal dump sites and relay the message that dumping waste in the woods is unacceptable.

Sign-in begins at 11:00 a.m. at the Seaside Centre, 5790 Teredo Street, Sechelt. Volunteers are treated to a free BBQ lunch and have a chance to win great prizes. To pre-register, email infrastructure@scrd.ca or phone 604-885-6806. For more details about the Backroad Trash Bash, visit www.scrd.ca/trashbash

To learn more about the issue of illegal dumping and how to report dump sites in the region, the SCRD invites the public to view the “Stop Illegal Dumping” video made in partnership with the Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities at www.scrd.ca/stop-illegal-dumping

Residents are advised to report an illegal dump site to the BC Conservation Service RAPP (Report All Poachers and Polluters) line at 1-877-952-7277 or www.env.gov.bc.ca/cos/rapp/rapp

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Media Enquiries:

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Sunshine Coast Regional District

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Gibsons General Mailbox

From: Jannie Bédard Guillemette <jannie.guillemette@sopf-cidphn.gc.ca>
Sent: September 9, 2019 12:40 PM
To: Jannie Bédard Guillemette
Subject: Meeting invitation at the UBCM Convention – September 23 to 26, 2019

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing today on behalf of the Administrator of the [Ship-source Oil Pollution Fund](#) to invite you to visit our booth #903 at the Union of BC Municipalities Tradeshow on September 25 and 26, 2019 at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

This federal Fund, managed by an independent Administrator, compensates victims of oil pollution damage (including costs incurred for preventive measures) caused by ships and then take action to recover the costs from the polluters or other responsible parties.

- *Simply put, we receive and assess claims for any type of damage caused by any type of oil spilled by any class of ship or boat in Canadian waters.*

We invite you to participate during our clinic called “[Ship-source Oil Pollution: Compensation 101](#)” on Wednesday September 25, from 7:30am to 8:15am.

We will discuss:

- *How can you get money back for spending related to ships or boats that spill or threaten to spill oil in your community?*
- Using a case study where compensation was paid by the Ship-source Oil Pollution Fund, this session will outline access to justice and describe the compensation process available to responders, and for losses related to the local economy, tourism, fishing...
- This clinic will be delivered in collaboration with:
 - Sheila Malcolmson, MLA and BC Parliamentary Secretary for the Environment
 - Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo
 - Rodney Grounds, Harbour Master, Nanaimo Port Authority

Why you should visit our booth?

1. Discover how can you get money back for spending related to ships or boats that spill or threaten to spill oil in your community for damages such as:
 - clean-up costs and preventive measures;
 - environmental damage repair costs;
 - property damage;
 - losses related to tourism and fishing; and
 - other economic losses.
2. Learn more about Canada’s polluter pays principle and liability for oil pollution damage caused;
3. Explore various ways to provide your community relevant information and evaluate further engagement opportunities, i.e. participation at your events, publications, webinar, etc.

If you can’t visit our booth, but would like to set up a meeting at the Vancouver Convention Centre, we have additional availability on the:

- Afternoon of Tuesday, September 24

- Afternoon of Thursday, September 26

We will also be attending several receptions, so we could set up an informal meeting at during those receptions, including the:

- Tools, Resources & Funding session (Monday)
- Welcome Reception (Tuesday)
- Trade Show reception (Wednesday)
- Annual Banquet (Thursday)

For more information about the Fund, you can visit our website and follow us on our social media account:

- Website: <http://sopf.gc.ca/>
 - Annual report 2018-2019 : http://sopf.gc.ca/?page_id=309
- LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/sopf-cidphn
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/sopf_cidphn

We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Jannie Bédard Guillemette, M.A.

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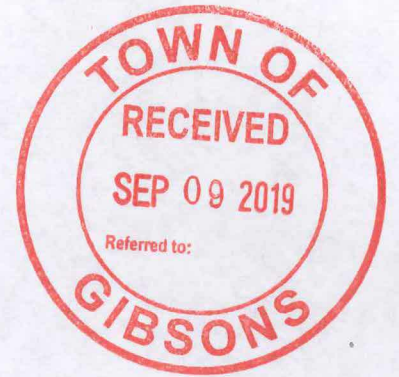


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September 8, 2019



Chapman Creek Hatchery, owned and operated by the Sunshine Coast Salmonid Enhancement Society (SCSES) on a not for profit basis, is proud to announce its 1st ever Wine and Cheese Social and Silent Auction at the Hatchery on **Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 2 – 5 p.m.**

Located on Chapman Creek, 4381 Parkway Drive, just off Field Road, the Hatchery annually releases up to 130,000 Steelhead, Cutthroat Trout and Salmon into our local waters on a budget of just \$145,000. This is an accomplishment that benefits all of the community through the enhancement of fish stocks.

To show support for salmon enhancement, we are hoping that you will be able to attend this event as a guest (complimentary ticket provided) of the Sunshine Coast Salmonid Enhancement Society. Please R.S.V.P at volunteerscsalmon@gmail.com and if attending, dress for the weather as this is an outside event.

We look forward to your support on September 21st.

Regards

Pat Moore – Society President
Sunshine Coast Salmonid Enhancement Society

Chapman Creek Hatchery / SCSES
4381 Parkway Drive
Sechelt, B.C.
V0N 3A1



Chapman Creek Hatchery

Sunshine Coast Salmon Enhancement Society



Wine & Cheese Social & Silent Auction

Saturday, September 21, 2019
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Tickets \$25.00 includes complimentary glass of wine and appies

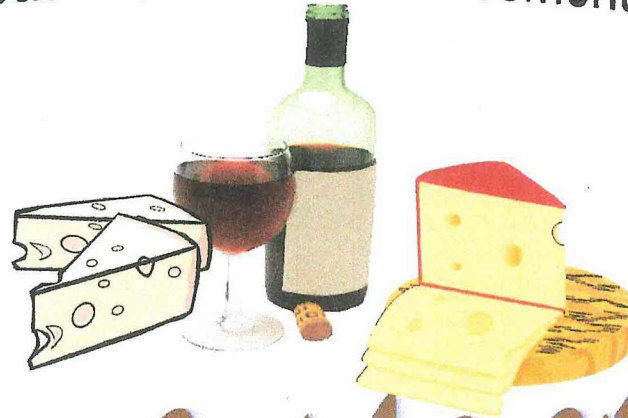
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Chapman Creek Hatchery

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For TICKET information - volunteerscsalmon@gmail.com

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B.C.

Many thanks for your representative coming to Doug Carmichaels memorial at the Salvation Army on the 24TH - his kind words were much appreciated.

Thanks,

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on behalf of

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September 4, 2019

To the Union of British Columbia Municipalities,

I am writing on behalf of Village of Burns Lake Council, requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support for the **Limited Entry Hunt for Cow/Calf Moose** resolution to be put forward at UBCM.

The Village of Burns Lake Council at its Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS moose populations are in decline across the province and measures should be taken to increase populations, not to decrease them;

AND WHEREAS the increase in the cow/calf moose Limited Entry Hunt (LEH) announced by the Province in the Limited Entry Synopsis 2019-2020 in Regions 4 and 7, will put unnecessary pressure on already shrinking moose populations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to stop the cow/calf moose Limited Entry Hunt until moose populations recover;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provincial government be encouraged to undertake extensive monitoring of moose populations in all regions of the province, in order to better determine their populations and measure their recoveries.

We hope to have your support at UBCM.

Sincerely,


A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Henry Wiebe".

Henry Wiebe
Acting Mayor

Tracy Forster

From: Union of BC Municipalities <ubcm@ubcm.ca>
Sent: September 4, 2019 2:05 PM
To: Tracy Forster
Subject: Climate Action; Asset Management Funding; BC Animal Health Act


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UBCM Strikes Climate Action Committee


September 4, 2019

UBCM has struck a Special Committee on Climate Action to generate new ideas, explore opportunities and barriers to local government action, and identify avenues for further work in partnership in mitigating, and adapting to, the effects of climate change. [Read more](#)



Asset Management Planning Funding



The final intake deadline for the 2019 [Asset Management Planning](#) grant program is October 4, 2019. The program can provide up to 50% of project costs to the grant maximum of \$15,000. The focus of the program is capacity building, supporting initial and improved assessment, and planning activities.



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UBCM Benefits Plan Marketing Review


UBCM will be conducting a Plan Marketing Review of the UBCM Group Benefits Plan for insurance services in October 2019. UBCM is one of several public sector organizations who will be working together as part of this process and, in aggregate, this initiative is expected to be one of the largest group benefit marketing exercises ever conducted in Canada. [Read more](#)



Input requested on BC Animal Health Act regulation

The Ministry of Agriculture is seeking feedback on a proposed premises identification regulation under the BC Animal Health Act. The regulation would require all premises where farm animals are raised, kept, assembled, or disposed of to be registered at no cost with the Ministry's Premises ID program. [Read more](#)

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Coastal Fire Centre Status Report

CoFC Information Officer: (250) 951-4229

Fire Activity			
Fires Currently Burning	10 (6 lightning-caused / 4 human-caused)* <small>* Subtotals may not add up to the total; fires not classified as "lightning-caused" or "human-caused" are still under investigation</small>		
New Fires Last Week	10		
	This Season (Since April 1 st)	Last Year (2018)	10 Year Average (2009-2018)
Total Fires to Date	144	285	206
Total Hectares to Date	318	162673	21526

Fire Prohibitions and Restrictions



Open Burning

Cat 2 - Partial Restriction No Ban
Cat 3 - No Restriction



Campfires

Not in Effect



Forest-Use

Not in Effect

For more information on specific activities that are prohibited during a Category 3, Category 2, or Campfire ban, visit: gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status

24HR Lightning Forecast

ISSUED: 1100 PDT Wednesday 4 September 2019

% CHANCE OF LIGHTNING / DRY LIGHTNING:

FRASER - PEMBERTON - SUNSHINE COAST - MID COAST
SOUTH ISLAND - NORTH ISLAND- HAIDA GWAII
Today: 0/0 Tonight: 0/0 Tomorrow: 0/0

Overview

CoFC responded to 10 new fires this past week, 4 of which were human-caused. The area around Pemberton saw 5 new fires from lightning on Sept 3 and overnight into Sept 4. Another fire started also from lightning in Garibaldi Park. These are all small fires and 2 are already under control. The other 4 fires are the 3 modified response fires located at Upper Klinaklini River, McGregor Lake (Mid Coast) and Nusash Creek (North of Bella Coola) and a small new one in Tweedsmuir Park. These 4 fires are under control.

We continue to remind everyone to exercise caution in forested areas, especially in the southernmost parts of the CoFC area (Victoria, Fraser Valley, Manning Park) and to continue adhering to common sense rules on campfire safety. Every human caused fire is a preventable fire.

Weather Synopsis

1100 PDT Wednesday 4 September 2019.

SYNOPSIS: (Today-tomorrow) Although an upper ridge is now building overhead for southern Coastal zones in the wake of yesterday's thunderstorm activity, extensive low marine clouds formed last night mainly over Vancouver Island. And the building ridge is at the moment not helping to clear the moisture. On the mainland some patchy Stratocumulus formed and will also hold back the afternoon temperatures but should clear off by early afternoon. Areas of eastern Fraser zone are in the sun and remain under a Fire Behaviour Advisory today for the C3 fuels and eastern Manning Park will see Extreme burning potential of over 10,000 kilowatts per metre of flame front. This evening sees the low clouds reform under mainly clear skies and will be possibly thicker and more extensive by Thursday morning. Still, the upper ridge grows stronger Thursday and the clear areas can expect warmer temperatures and lower humidity. Marine cloud layers may be even slower to clear. Northern areas see higher clouds invading Thursday afternoon ahead of an approaching storm system but rain holds off until Friday.

3-5 Day Weather Outlook

(Friday-Sunday) A new upper low and associated cold front attacks Haida Gwaii and the Mid-coast Friday bringing extensive showers. Current forecast charts for Saturday do not show showers reaching any further south than northern Vancouver Island and perhaps across to Bute Inlet. That changes Saturday in the late afternoon as the upper low parks west of Vancouver Island and a stronger onshore flow brings clouds and widespread showers to Vancouver Island Sunday and then across the mainland zones by Monday.

Zone Activity Level

	1	2	3	4	5
Fraser	x				
Pemberton	x				
Sunshine Coast	x				
South Island	x				
Mid Island	x				
North Island	x				
Central Coast (Bella Coola)	x				
Haida Gwaii	x				

Zone Fire Danger Rating

Fraser	Moderate-High
Pemberton	High-Moderate
Sunshine Coast	High-Moderate
South Island	High-Moderate, Extreme SSI area
Mid Island	Moderate, High East coast, extreme QB area
North Island	Moderate-Low, High Comox to CR area
Central Coast (Bella Coola)	Moderate-Low
Haida Gwaii	Very Low, Low southern tip

Coastal Fire Centre Zones



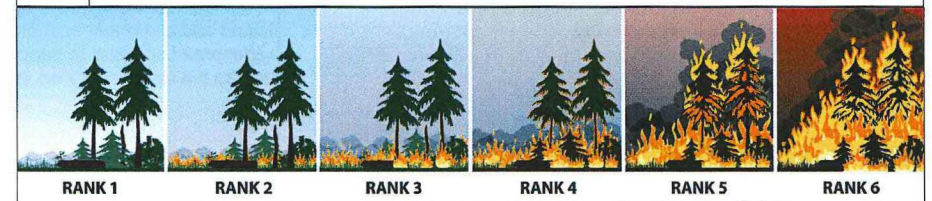
[Click here for more information about the Coastal Fire Centre \(Fire Danger Rating Maps, Danger Class Reports, Fire Weather Maps, Active Wildfires Map\) or visit gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status](http://gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status)



Zone Activity Level	
Level 1: (Exporting)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low to normal fire activity; no additional resource support is anticipated Adequate resources to deal with anticipated fire demands Monitor and anticipate possible support for non-wildfire provincial emergencies Zone resources may be deployed to other zones, fire centres, and out of province 	
Level 2: (Exporting/Holding)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is an increase in fire activity; zone resources are adequate to meet their demands Monitor and anticipate possible support for non-wildfire provincial emergencies Limited resources may be deployable to other zones, fire centres, or out of province 	
Level 3: (Holding)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is an increase in fire activity; zone may not be able to meet local resource demands Resources from other zones / fire centres may be requested to assist zone activity Long term strategic planning becomes critical in determining what resources are needed where Zone staff on standby based on anticipated needs 	
Level 4: (Holding/Importing)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The zone is experiencing a high level of fire activity Zone resources will need to be supplemented from other zones / fire centres / type 2 crews Out of province resource requests for specific or critical resources may be required if provincial resource capacity is not able to handle fire demands 	
Level 5: (Importing)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The zone is experiencing very significant fire activity, and/or extreme fire behaviour; heavy demands on provincial and fire centre resources are occurring and anticipated to continue Resource capacity is supplemented with staff from Wildfire TEAMS, other Ministries, the forest sector, Fire Departments, and type 2/3 resources 	
Fire Stages of Control	
Out of Control	Describes a wildfire that is not responding (or only responding on a limited basis) to suppression action, such that the perimeter spread is not being contained.
Being Held	Indicates that (with the resources currently committed to the fire) sufficient suppression action has been taken that the fire is not likely to spread beyond existing or predetermined boundaries under the prevailing and forecasted conditions.
Under Control	The fire has received sufficient suppression action to ensure no further spread of the fire.

Fire Danger Rating	
Status	Description
Low	Fires may start easily and spread quickly but there will be minimal involvement of deeper fuel layers or larger fuels.
Moderate	Forest fuels are drying and there is an increased risk of surface fires starting. Carry out any forest activities with caution.
High	Forest fuels are very dry and the fire risk is serious. New fires may start easily, burn vigorously, and challenge fire suppression efforts. Open burning and industrial activities may be restricted.
Extreme	Extremely dry forest fuels and the fire risk is very serious. New fires will start easily, spread rapidly, and challenge fire suppression efforts. Open burning, industrial activities and campfires may be restricted.

Wildfire Ranks	
Rank	Description
1	Characteristics: Smouldering ground fire, no open flame, white smoke, slow (i.e. creeping) rate of fire spread. Firefighting tactics: Direct attack with ground crews using hand tools and water delivery systems (i.e. pumps and hose).
2	Characteristics: Surface fire, visible, open flame, unorganised or inconsistent flame front, slow rate of spread. Firefighting tactics: Direct attack with ground crews using hand tools, water delivery systems, or heavy equipment. Hand constructed control lines and lines that have been cleared of combustible material will likely be successful.
3	Characteristics: Organised flame front – fire progressing in organised manner, occasional candling may be observed along the perimeter and/or within the fire, moderate rate of spread. Firefighting tactics: Hand constructed control lines alone are likely to be challenged, ground crews conducting direct attack may require air support from fixed-wing air tankers, skimmers or helicopters conducting bucketing or tanking operations. Control lines constructed by heavy equipment will generally be effective.
4	Characteristics: Grey to black smoke, organised surface flame front, moderate to fast rate of spread on the ground, short aerial bursts through the forest canopy, short-range spotting. Firefighting tactics: Ground operations may not be successful at the head of the fire, indirect tactics may be required to bring the head of the fire under control. Parallel attack may be used along the flanks of the fire to direct the head into favourable ground or fuels. Air operations may be required to support ground personnel.
5	Characteristics: Black to copper smoke, organised crown fire front, moderate to long-range spotting and spot fire growth. Firefighting tactics: The limited options available include indirect attack and planned ignitions to remove fuel in the path of this type of fire behaviour. Ground operations are often restricted to fighting the least active sections of the fire or conducting ground ignition operations from secure control lines with readily available escape routes and safety zones.
6	Characteristics: Organised crown fire front, long-range spotting and independent spot fire growth, possible fireballs and whirls, violent fire behaviour probable, a dominant smoke column may develop which influences fire behaviour. Firefighting tactics: Firefighting under these conditions is extremely dangerous. Suppression efforts will be well away from active fire behaviour and may include preparing structure protection measures or conducting indirect large-scale ignition operations in an attempt to steer the fire. Often, the safest and most prudent strategy is to pull resources back to safe areas, ensure that personnel and the general public are safe, and wait for fire behaviour to lessen before re-engaging in fire suppression operations.



Disclaimer: The information in this status report is intended for general purposes only and should not be relied on for operational decisions as fires are dynamic and situations change quickly. The BC Wildfire Service makes no warranties or guarantees either expressed or implied as to the completeness, accuracy or correctness of the information, nor accept any liability arising from any incorrect, incomplete or misleading information contained therein.

INFORMATION BULLETIN

For Immediate Release
2019FLNR0221-001700
Sept. 5, 2019

Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
and Rural Development
BC Wildfire Service

Prescribed burns to help restore Garry oak ecosystems

PARKSVILLE – The BC Wildfire Service plans to conduct two prescribed burns in the Maple Bay and Metchosin areas of Vancouver Island to reduce wildfire risks, manage flammable vegetation on the landscape and help restore Garry oak ecosystems.

The two controlled burns will be lit sometime in September or October 2019, when site and weather conditions are favourable.

Cowichan Garry Oak Preserve (off Maple Bay Road)

- This 1.5-hectare prescribed burn will be conducted in conjunction with the Nature Conservancy of Canada, about six kilometres northeast of Duncan.
- The project will be completed in three stages, burning half a hectare at a time.
- The Cowichan Garry Oak Preserve is a unique ecosystem that is home to Canada's largest recorded Garry oak tree.

Rocky Point, Metchosin (Canadian Armed Forces base)

- This 20-hectare prescribed burn will be conducted in conjunction with the Department of National Defence, with the assistance of the Department of National Defence's fire department. The burn site is about three kilometres southeast of Pedder Bay Marina.
- This project will be completed in three stages.
- The Rocky Point property is one of the best examples of a Garry oak ecosystem on southern Vancouver Island.

Both of these sites are within the coastal Douglas fir biogeoclimatic zone. They contain notable populations of rare plants and animals that are studied by researchers from throughout North America.

Historically, First Nation communities maintained the grassy plains at these sites by burning off dry grasses, shrubs and young trees that are less tolerant of fire than Garry oaks. These ecosystems relied on regular, low-intensity ground fires to limit the spread of competing tree species, remove accumulations of dead wood and other vegetation, and promote new growth. Fire-resistant Garry oak and mature Douglas fir trees would have survived such fires and herbaceous plants would have vigorously re-sprouted after the fire had passed through.

Reintroducing fire into these areas is an effective way to promote natural regenerative processes, control invasive species and slow the encroachment of conifer trees into these specialized ecosystems. Prescribed burns also help reduce wildfire risks by reducing the amount of fuels available to burn.

These two prescribed burn projects will provide valuable data that will assist with the expansion of the prescribed burning program into other pockets of Garry oak ecosystems, ensuring they are maintained as part of the region's natural history.

To report a wildfire, unattended campfire or open burning violation, call 1 800 663-5555 toll-free or *5555 on a cellphone. For the latest information on current wildfire activity, burning restrictions, road closures and air quality advisories, visit: <http://www.bcwildfire.ca>

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Mayor and Council

From: Amber <amber@bookman.ca>
Sent: September 6, 2019 5:03 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Attn. Coun. De Andrade - Rainbow Crosswalk Information

To Respected Councillor De Andrade,

My name is Amber Price and I am writing to you from Chilliwack, BC. I am a resident, and have been actively pursuing a rainbow crosswalk in our Historic Downtown.

Our council is concerned that approving a rainbow crosswalk will open the door for subsequent decorative crosswalk requests.

Can you please tell me if your municipality has had additional requests for other forms of decorative crosswalks since the installation of your rainbow crosswalk? Primarily, have you had requests for Pro-Life, Anti-Immigration, Crosses or Baby Feet crosswalks? If not these, any others?

As a concerned citizen I am compiling a list of every municipality/university that has had a rainbow crosswalk installed within the Province of BC, and am including subsequent requests. Any information that you can give us would be most helpful in us achieving our goal of a rainbow crosswalk in Chilliwack.

I appreciate your time, and hope that you're having a great start to September.

Warm regards,

Amber Price
Founding Member
Chilliwack Citizens for Change

Gibsons General Mailbox

From: FCM Communique <communique@fcm.ca>
Sent: September 6, 2019 6:01 AM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: A rural and northern lens on our housing call

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FCM September 6, 2019



A rural and northern lens on our housing call

FCM members,

Last week we called on the federal parties to **tackle the Canada's housing affordability crisis**. And we need your help to make sure our message gets through.

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Our housing plan is ambitious. And it's strengthened by measures to specifically support housing affordability in rural and northern communities:

- **Help Canadians age safely and affordably at home** with funding for adaptations such as grab bars, ramps and lifts, supporting up to 32,000 seniors in rural communities.
- **Make more free/low-cost federal land available** by empowering municipalities of all sizes to identify surplus federal lands to make new social/affordable housing projects viable.
- **Expand federal data on housing**, with priority on filling the knowledge gap on housing supply, and affordability in rural communities.
- **Distinctly support northern communities**, with higher per-unit funding for our proposals to build supportive housing, as well as social/affordable housing for Indigenous households.

FCM’s housing recommendations are earning coverage in media outlets such as [The Globe and Mail](#), [CTV](#) and [La Presse](#). Many of you have also shared our plan with your local candidates.

Let’s make sure every nominated federal candidate hears our call. So if you haven’t yet, use our online action tool to send your local candidates a **direct tweet** or even better, a **personalized email**.

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-Your FCM team



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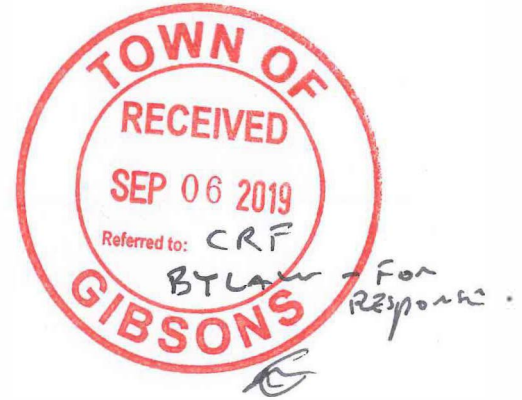
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EMANUEL MACHADO
Chief Administrator Officer
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Gibsons British Columbia VON 1V0



Dear Sir:

Page 3 of Dog Licensing & Regulation Bylaw No. 930:

No person shall keep more than 2 dogs on a parcel of land

Page 4 of Dog Licensing & Regulation Bylaw No. 930:

(6) No owner shall permit a dog to cry or bark in a manner that disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of one or more persons within 100 meters of the parcel where the dog is kept

(7) Without limiting Section 2.6, no owner shall allow a dog or dogs to call, cry or bark, for more than 3 minutes in a 15 minute period, in such a way that the noise is audible outside of the parcel where the dog or dogs are kept, etc.

I reside at 22(1) FOIPPA and have for 41 years. The **THREE** dogs at 22(1) FOIPPA have been in violation of every portion of the Dog Bylaw for over the past year and one-half. I have reported incidents during this time: whatever action may have been taken the dogs continued to bark, incessantly whether the owner was home, away for the day or the weekend.

I have just returned from my third bout at Critical Care in the local hospital. (As of the 23rd August, 2019 the 22(1) FOIPPA residence was sold and new owners have moved in - No dogs!)

When does a By-law become a bylaw?

I sought legal counsel and was informed I had to have proof a ticket or other steps had been initiated in support of my calls to the Town Office. My call for a return call was never returned: I left only a message to have my call returned - did not give the reason - to the person receiving incoming calls for the appropriate person.

The street was popular with walkers from Christian Village: Day-Care Walkers: people in general. The noise was so startling and one never certain the dogs weren't going to come through the window or escape off the deck, that traffic diminished considerably.

My neighbour immediately before me 22(1) FOIPPA and my neighbour across the road 22(1) FOIPPA)

own a single dog each. They are in control of their pets.

My question - **when is a By-law considered a By-law?** There is nothing that can be done at this time with the ordeal we, on the street, have all experienced. (A fourth dog was often a resident which resulted in a tremendous fight and neighbours came running from mid-way down **22(1) FOIPPA** to see what was happening.)

Somewhere, maybe not within your jurisdiction, there are 3 dogs which are going to continue to disrupt the peace and quiet of the neighbourhood. If within your By-law territory, be forewarned!

I have lost hours from my job: disrupted the routine of the Company I am a Contractor to: have taken 3 trips by ambulance: have spent a total of 20 days in Critical Care: have been shuttled to Lion's Gate: this was totally unnecessary.

In previous times when a dog was barking beyond control there may have been a bear, of which we have had many over the year: the bear trap was a regular contraption over 3 or 4 years. Latterly, there isn't even a squirrel and the noise went on and on.

My neighbours can support the din. This has been a most troubling time. You can do nothing about that situation at this time. I would like to know, however, why something could be allowed to continue for so long.

Awaiting your response with interested concern, Thank You.

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"INCURABLE DISEASE OR SUBSTANTIAL INJURY" includes rabies, and injuries that a registered veterinarian considers will result in death.

"LEASH" means a device of leather, metal, nylon or similar material of no more than 2 meters in length, which may be affixed to a dog's collar or harness. It shall be of sufficient strength and design to remain securely affixed to the collar or harness and restrain the dog wearing same.

"MUZZLED" means fitted with a device placed over the mouth of a dog that is of sufficient strength and design to prevent the dog from biting any person or other animal while allowing the dog to adequately breathe through its mouth.

"OWNER" means a person:

- (a) To whom a license for a dog has been issued under this Bylaw;
- (b) Who owns, is in possession of, or has the care or control of an animal;
- (c) Who harbours, shelters, permits or allows an animal to remain on or about that person's land or premises; or
- (d) Who is the custodial parent or legal guardian of a child under the age of 18 years who owns, is in possession of, or has the care or control of an animal.

"POUND" means the building or enclosure designated from time to time as a pound.

"SENIOR" means anyone of the proven age of 65 years or older.

"S.P.C.A." means the British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals including any of its branches in British Columbia.

"TOWN" means the Corporation of the Town of Gibsons, including its staff, officers, agents and employees.

"UNLICENSED DOG" means any dog over the age of six (6) months that does not have a valid license tag for the current year attached to its collar or harness.

SECTION 2 - CONTROL OF DOGS

1. **No person shall keep more than 2 dogs on a parcel except that:**
 - (a) A person may keep more than 2 dogs under the age of 6 months;
 - (b) A person may keep more than 2 dogs over the age of 6 months in a veterinary business on a parcel zoned for that use.
2. Every owner of a dog shall:
 - (a) Keep the dog confined so that it cannot escape while it is on the owner's property;
 - (b) Keep the dog securely fitted with a collar or harness displaying its current dog tag;

- (c) Keep a dog on a leash when on all public roads, places and areas within the Town boundaries with the exception of those areas listed in Sections 2 and 3 of Schedule "B";
 - (d) Not allow or permit a dog to be in a park, playground or on a beach with the exception of those areas listed in Section 3 of Schedule "B";
 - (e) Keep the dog within eyesight and under immediate charge and effective control when in an "Off Leash Area" as listed in Section 3 of Schedule "B";
 - (f) Not tie or fasten any dog to any traffic sign, parking meter, or other object within 2 meters of a travelled roadway or walkway;
 - (g) Keep all dogs carried in the rear of an open vehicle on a leash or harness so that the dog is securely kept in the vehicle and unable to reach beyond the sides of the vehicle.
3. Every owner of a dog must ensure that:
- (a) The dog does not aggressively pursue or harass a person without provocation; and
 - (b) The dog does not kill or injure a person or other animal.
4. The owner of a dog that is in oestrus (heat) must:
- (a) Keep the dog securely confined indoors or within a building or enclosure that will prevent the escape of the dog or the entry of other dogs when the dog is on private property;
 - (b) Keep the dog on a leash and in the control of a competent person, when it is in a public place.
5. No owner shall breed a dog for the purpose of financial gain without first gaining written authorization from the Town and acquiring the appropriate business license.
6. No owner shall permit a dog to cry or bark in a manner that disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of one or more persons within 100 meters of the parcel where the dog is kept
7. Without limiting Section 2.6, no owner shall allow a dog or dogs to call, cry or bark, for more than 3 minutes in a 15 minute period, in such a way that the noise is audible outside of the parcel where the dog or dogs are kept, as Council believes such noise is objectionable and liable to disturb the peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of individuals and the public.
8. No owner of a dog shall allow the dog to leave or deposit excrement on any public place or private property other than on the property of the owner, unless the owner immediately takes steps to remove such excrement and to dispose of it in a sanitary manner.

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Mayor and Council
PO Box 340
474 South Fletcher Road
Gibsons, BC V0N 1V0

August 2nd, 2019

Re: Supportive Housing Project

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing you this letter in support of the supportive housing project at the former RCMP building.

I believe the major point of information I would like to bring forward is acknowledging the problem doesn't make it worse. Similarly, ignoring the problem doesn't solve it. I would argue the contrary: if there's a problem, in order to solve it we must first acknowledge it exists. It is impossible to solve a problem that one does not recognize.

The problem with homeless already exists in our community. I've seen them, I've heard stories about them, I know they exist. These people do not play a major role in my life, most of the time they are hidden away in the community. This, however, hasn't kept the problem away from the public, and of course this doesn't mean the problem doesn't exist.

The supportive housing project will not worsen the problem. To the best of my knowledge, residents of the community and family of said residents are first priority to take part in the supportive housing project. Therefore, this project will not bring mass amount of homeless people from the Lower Mainland and it will not worsen our homeless problem. Those who do come, who are family, will only help the problem by bringing families together in desperate times. RainCity is prepared: they're here to help Gibsons.

Unfortunately, much of the people looking at the problem are seeing these people as "the homeless." In reality, they are *people who are homeless*. This is an important distinction: they're people that need help. I believe we, people who are more fortunate than them, have the obligation to lend a hand.

I grew up in the public school system on the Sunshine Coast. I am a social person and I like to attend parties and socialize, I'm also active on social media; I have a good taste to what

high school students are up to. I can tell you that drug use among students is very diverse: it ranges from daily users to people who want nothing to do with it. Students try, experiment, and frequently use drugs (mostly marijuana and alcohol) for a number of reasons. The vast majority of which are healthy users that can balance it with everyday life. I know some (not all) of the best academically achieving students, who are active in the community, drink alcohol and smoke marijuana, sometimes in heavy quantities. These people have experimented with alcohol/marijuana and know how it affects them, and they know how to use it responsibly and balance it with their real lives.

The purpose of me bringing that up is these people use drugs/alcohol, and the vast majority of them do it safely. As with the general population, there are extremists: people who take it to excess and those who take no interest. However, it is not difficult to get drugs/alcohol at a public school. The super majority of these people, with few exceptions, know what they are doing, in addition to those who do not partake. Those with substance abuse issues, who are already in our community, coming to live in supportive housing to find a better life will not affect this population. High school students have made up their mind, allowing homeless people an opportunity to get on their feet will not change the high school. That is my insight on the situation within the high school.

I hope this allows you to have some perspective into the culture within the high school surrounding drugs, and why I believe the project should go forward. We must support our community, especially the most vulnerable.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in the future with any questions or concerns.

Yours truly,
22(1) FOIPPA

Gibsons General Mailbox

From: 22(1) FOIPPA <22(1) FOIPPA@gmail.com>
Sent: September 8, 2019 6:35 PM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: Letter for Mayor and Council re: Low Barrier Housing on School Road

Dear Mayor and Council

I was very disappointed to learn that you passed 2nd reading of this zoning bill on Sept. 3, 2019. In doing so, you have given support to a project which is doomed to fail.

Why? There are so many problems caused primarily by the Town committing to something without giving any credence to the wisdom of its residents.

Whereas most citizens want to help ameliorate the housing situation, they are unlikely to support something that was shoved down their throats.. There is always pushback when authorities do this. I live in the Bay area, so am not a nimby. You could have most people behind supportive housing for the homeless - - - all you would have to do is change the location. It is hard to imagine a worse location even in your wildest dreams!

This project is just WRONG for so many reasons.

1. The location - It is too close to the elementary school. We protect our children by lower speed limits in school zones, minimum distances from pot shops, etc., but we are willing to put this facility, which Raincity itself says will house using addicts, right next to our school? The risk is too high - witness the young girl in Toronto who was just stabbed by a needle she found. The same sidewalk goes past the school and the RCMP location, 3 driveways apart. Many children walk to and from school here daily.
2. No public participation.. This agreement was signed with no public participation. The Town's own document even says so.
All subsequent letters to residents and publicity about meetings only ever mention "supportive housing" - - - not who will actually be living there. The words "low barrier" were never mentioned. Lots of people still think this is housing for seniors! Is this the way the Town wants to do business? With obfuscation and secrecy? If so, this is no way to get a community on board.
3. 15 Yead Commitment - This agreement with no public participation is for 15 years Or pay \$638,000 plus. What? The Town has put us between a rock and a hard place. You insist that these are the terms. Period. Surely this can be renegotiated if the townspeople do not agree? What if we just say "no"?
4. The zoning - This zoning request is WAY too dense. It is not fair to force a community to go from R-2 zoning, with the safety of a police station, to a density of 253 Units per Hectare. What can the Town be thinking? Will other owners be granted the same zoning? Whereas it is true that there are apartments on School Road on the north-east side (ie. between School Road and Gibsons Way), the only medium density multi units on the south-west side of School Road are family housing. Most single family homes are high-end.
5. It is a stupid and counter-intuitive use of this land. It is 3 driveways away from the elementary school. Why not build low-rental housing for precariously-housed single parents or other low-income families with children?

Please rethink this, with due process and engagement with the community being your driving force. Think of the long term impacts on our community. With this hasty and ill-thought out idea, all of them will be negative.

However, this could so easily be turned into a win-win situation. All the Town needs to do follow due process and engage the community, and find a better location, so that we can come up with something we will all be happy with and support. Then we would have a win for the community, and a win for the precariously housed.

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Gibsons.

Tracy Forster

From: Lindsey Grist
Sent: September 9, 2019 9:26 AM
To: Tracy Forster
Subject: FW: SCHOOL ROAD SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

From: Mayor Bill Beamish
Sent: September-08-19 8:59 AM
To: **22(1) FOIPPA**@telus.net>
Cc: Councillors <Councillors@gibsons.ca>; Emanuel Machado <emachado@gibsons.ca>; Lindsey Grist <lgrist@gibsons.ca>
Subject: Re: SCHOOL ROAD SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Thank you for your email.

As you know this Supportive Housing project received second reading at council last Tuesday and is scheduled for a public hearing on October 8, 2019.

You and other residents will have an opportunity to express your views to council at this hearing.

Regards,

Bill Beamish
Mayor-Gibsons, BC
604-989-2364

"Our Vision for the Community includes You"

On Sep. 8, 2019 08:33, **22(1) FOIPPA**@telus.net> wrote:

Dear Mayor Beamish,

I am writing in regard to the proposed site for Supportive Housing in Gibson's and to let you know that I have asked BC Housing to withdraw their request for rezoning. I did not want you to be blindsided. This may seem a little high handed and a futile endeavour, however, I believe you need the time to work with your constituents to investigate another location for a Supportive Housing facility. People in Gibson's are kind and compassionate and truly believe everyone deserves a home, however, the proposed property on School Road is not a good location for the Neighbors or the Homeless.

When I attended the last Public Hearing at High Beam Dreams I was amazed at the hard feelings still being felt by the opponents to the George. People in Gibson's have strong feelings and long memories. We want to work with you to look at all options and be seen as a community that can work together to resolve issues. We don't want to be seen as another problem. We want to be part of the solution.

We would really appreciate it if you would take the time to meet with some of us who live in the neighborhood and take a good look at the site and perhaps consider other more suitable locations. The School Road neighbors

were recently joined by members of the O'Shea Oceanmount Community Association (OOCA). I believe William Baker will be contacting you to try and arrange a time for you to meet with some of our group. I hope you are able to find a mutually convenient time to meet soon.

Sincerely,

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Mayor and Council

From: 22(1) FOIPPA [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: September 9, 2019 10:54 AM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Supportive Housing on School Road.

Dear Mayor and Council,

Re: Supportive Housing on School Road, Gibsons

I write this letter to ask you to please collaborate with the neighbours and surrounding area in regard to this project. There is a lot of objection to it, based on the fact that is low barrier.

BC Housing purchased the land in Sechelt for Hightide. So, it's not as if School Road is the only place it can be. I realize the agreement was made for single homeless people, but from what I understand, it could be changed to house single families and single mothers for example. A much better fit considering it's close approximation to the elementary school.

I appreciate this must be a difficult process to work through with all this community turmoil. And, thank you Ms. Ladwig for seeing the concerns we are bringing forward.

Thank you for your consideration,

Regards
22(1) FOIPPA [REDACTED]