

Peachland NEWS



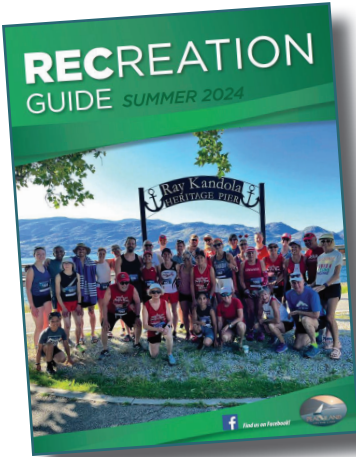
April 2024 Municipal Newsletter

SPRING & SUMMER FUN

STARTS HERE!

Registration is now open in a variety of exciting programs and activities for all ages.

Sports, creative arts, drop-in activities and much more! Find the right activity to keep everyone busy this Spring!



www.peachland.ca/recguide

We are looking for instructors

Do you have a special skill you could share with your community? We need instructors to teach a variety of programs for children and youth. Instructors are wanted for introductory sports, music, fitness or martial arts. If interested email: rec-clerk@peachland.ca

FREE Yard Waste Voucher

For a limited time, Peachland residents can get FREE vouchers to cover yard waste fees at the Westside Transfer Station (2640 Asquith Rd, West Kelowna) as part of Peachland Fire Department's FireSmart Program. Please collect and dispose of yard waste and consider more FireSmart activities for your property. Find FireSmart tips at: www.peachland.ca/firesmart.



Pick up a voucher at Municipal Hall, 5806 Beach Avenue

THANK YOU to the 100+ attendees of the Wildfire Preparedness Open House held April 6 at the Peachland Community Centre.



Peachland Elementary Students Make Changes in Their Community!

Council received a package of letters at its meeting on March 26 from Grade 3 and 4 Peachland Elementary students who had noticed a need for a garbage receptacle on Clements Crescent. We've agreed to try a pilot for one year and it will be added to the District's maintenance rotation.

STUDENTS PICK NEW PLAYGROUND

Council also took a decision to the students and were rewarded with a resounding vote on the top playground design for Turner Park. Students took part in a DOT-MOCRACY, voting by using stickers, on 3 potential designs for the new playground in Turner Park, currently closed as new turf is established. Council enthusiastically supported the students' choice.



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Demo of this site on 5th to start soon



In response to an application made by the Peachland Seniors Support Society (PSSS), the District of Peachland has granted the society a temporary licence of occupation and demolition permits to remove all structures at four adjacent properties, 4426, 4440, 4444, and 4450 5th Street.

In the meantime, PSSS and BC Housing are working toward fulfilling commitments they previously made

through rezoning conditions and legal agreements related to Phase 2 of a seniors' affordable housing project at the site. The Society's professional contractor will safely secure all four buildings and the surrounding area during the demolition process.

For more information about the demolition permit, please contact Peachland's building department at info@peachland.ca or 250-767-2647.

LEVEL 1 Water Restrictions

DID YOU KNOW, that Peachland is always on Stage 1 water restrictions? They remain in effect regardless of the abundance of water as restrictions reduce consumption which decreases the demand on the reservoirs and water treatment costs. If conditions change, there are 4 stages of water restrictions that may be enacted. The status of the District's water storage is evaluated frequently and changes may occur at any time. Sign up to be e-notified of water restrictions and other District news at

www.peachland.ca/subscribe

STAGE 1 RESTRICTIONS - ALTERNATE DAYS

Even numbered addresses water on even calendar days
 Odd numbered addresses water on odd calendar days
 On permitted days, automatic sprinklers - midnight to 6:00 am and manually controlled sprinklers - 6 am to 11 am & 6 pm to midnight. No watering permitted between 11 am and 6 pm.



Thinking of a Short-Term Rental?



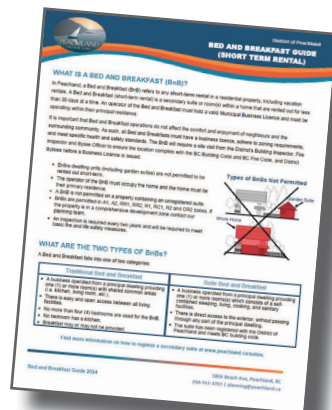
PLEASE BE PATIENT!
 New applicants can expect a delay in processing business licences, particularly for B&B's, due to an influx of applications.

In the District of Peachland, short-term rental (anything under 30 days) of a private room or a suite in a home is regulated under the Zoning Bylaw as Bed and Breakfasts (B&B). There are two types of B&B's:

1. Traditional B&B with an individual room and a shared living facility, and
2. Suite B&B

Short-term rental of an entire dwelling, including a garden suite or recreational vehicle, is not allowed in Peachland. The operator of the bed and breakfast must have a business license and the rental must be operated at the licensee's principal residence. Find out more, and a helpful guide to B&B's at

www.peachland.ca/bed-and-breakfast



Peachland

RECYCLING DEPOT POP-UP

POP-UPS
 10am until 2pm
 2nd Saturday of each Month

Mar 9th	Jul 13th
Apr 13th	Aug 10th
May 11th	Sep 14th
Jun 8th	Oct 12th

Peachland Community Centre
 4450 6th Street,
 Peachland BC

For one day only, free of charge you can drop off your:

- Glass bottles and jars
- Styrofoam packaging (white or coloured)
- Plastic bags and overwrap
- Other flexible plastic packaging
- Electronics

*Household residential recycling only

Staff will be on hand to answer all your questions on recycling how to's.

For more info visit rdco.com/recycle or call the Regional Waste Reduction Office at 250.469.6250



PEACHLAND EVENTS

Patio Time!

April - September

The patio barricades have been put in which means it's **PATIO TIME** again in downtown Peachland! A refreshing moment on the waterfront is an excellent way to show your support for local businesses!



2023 Civic Awards

April 25; 5:45 pm

Join us at the Peachland Community Centre as we celebrate contributions made to our community by nominated individuals. This event is open to the public. For more information, call 250-767-2133.



Peachland Classic Car Show

Sunday, May 19

25 years in the making the Peachland Classic Car Show is here to stay! Organized by the Peachland Chamber of Commerce and a small dedicated group of volunteers, the show will feature something for everyone. Get details or register your classic car at www.peachlandclassiccarshow.ca.

Farmers Market

Opens May 26

APPLICATIONS are now open for market booths at Peachland's beautiful outdoor Farmers & Crafters Market which runs from the end of May to the end of September in Heritage Park on Beach Avenue. Get details at www.peachlandfarmersandcraftersmarket.ca.



Join Mayor and Council at the 2nd annual

OUR PEACHLAND OPEN HOUSE & BBQ

Wednesday,
June 12, 2024
4 to 7 pm
Peachland Community Centre
4450 6th Street

MAYOR'S ADDRESS
5:30 pm

EVERYONE'S WELCOME!

Free food, games, giveaways, kid's activities and informational displays on a variety of Peachland services and initiatives. Don't miss out!

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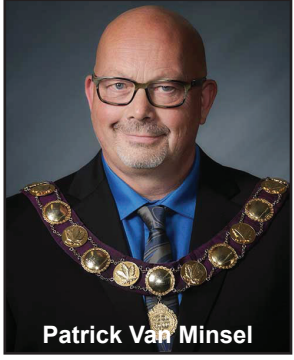


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Mayor's Message

Making Sense of Parcel Taxes



Patrick Van Minnel

We've been letting residents of Peachland know that Council plans to make significant changes to Peachland's Parcel Taxes for the 2024 Budget. We've introduced new ones, closed others and rolled some into general taxes. Parcel taxes will decrease in 2024 from 2023 by approximately \$114.

Parcel taxes are flat rates on properties in a particular service area. The tax is levied per parcel, no matter the size of the property. Parcel taxes are set for a finite period, usually for a specific project or service. Property taxes, on the other hand, are levied based on the assessed value of a property. Your taxes vary depending on the value of your property.

For years, Peachland has been collecting parcel taxes for asset renewal or capital expenditures for sewer or water infrastructure. Prudent long-term planning dictates that our infrastructure accommodates current and future users, with all taxpayers contributing towards maintenance and replacement because, we all know, nothing lasts forever.

To that end, our General Capital Asset Renewal, Sewer Capital Asset Renewal, Water Capital Asset Renewal and Water Capital Improvement parcel taxes will be transferred to general taxes for 2024. This will ensure balanced planning and funding for the ongoing needs of our assets. Under Council's direction, the District is continually seeking funding support through grants from the provincial and federal governments. Any grant money we receive will be used to reduce the cost to taxpayers.

Council is committed to fiscal responsibility; it's one of the five pillars of our Strategic Priorities. Watch for an update on our Strategic Priorities in an upcoming newsletter. As always, Council welcomes your thoughts on how we're doing. Email council@peachland.ca.

PEACHLAND PARCEL TAXES	2024	2023	CHANGE
Renewing in 2024			
RDCO Transfer Station	40.48	39.09	1.39
Water Treatment Plant	199.60	190.00	9.60
New for 2024			
Protective Services Building Project	50.00	0	50.00
Parcel Taxes Collected as General Taxes as of 2024			
General Capital Asset Renewal	150.00 avg.	150.00	0.00
Sewer Capital Asset Renewal	18.96 avg.	18.96	0.00
Water Capital Asset Renewal	54.77 avg.	54.77	0.00
Water Capital Improvements	160.00 avg.	160.00	0.00
Debt Paid & Parcel Tax Retired in 2024			
Turner Park Servicing Debt	0	100.00	-100.00
Sewer Forcemain Debt	0	75.00	-75.00
TOTAL	673.81	787.82	-114.01

Council Highlights

Peachland Water Supply Analysis
Council discussed the Draft *Peachland Water Supply Analysis*, an update to the last major water master plan update in 2015. It now considers new information including updated meter data, development build-out numbers and new climate data. The analysis was conducted by Urban Systems and indicates that Peachland's water supply, primarily sourced from Peachland Creek, is adequate until 2070. The report includes recommendations for upgrades to water infrastructure to address potential challenges and encourages efforts to reduce demand.

Developments Approved Princeton Neighbourhood
Council adopted a Zoning Bylaw Amendment to rezone a .4 hectare vacant lot in the Lower Princeton Area to allow the building of up to 23 residential units in a 14-unit strata community with townhouse building forms and flex units.

Trepanier Bench & Huston Road
Council authorized a development permit for a residential multi-family development at 5325 Trepanier Bench Road and 5334 Huston Road. The permit allows for the construction of a 62-unit residential multi-family development consisting of 28 walk-up units and 34 walk-out units in 11 buildings.

Growing Communities Fund
Council established the Growing Communities Fund Reserve to allow for the appropriate treatment of a \$2.76 million grant the District received in March 2023. Council has earmarked expenditures from the fund in the 2024 Budget including road improvements, upgrades to Turner and Sanderson Parks and expansion to the Westside Trail.

Community Garden Sculpture
The Peachland Wellness Centre received Council's approval to install a sculpture at the new Intergeneration Gardens at the Historic Schoolhouse on Beach Avenue. The "Helping Hands" sculpture, designed by artist Lynden Beesley, also features a bronze woven ball by artist Anabel Stanley. The sculpture is expected to be installed in July.



Peachland Classic Car Show
Council agreed to provide the Peachland Chamber of Commerce with a one-time, start-up donation of \$7,000 to ensure the 25th annual Peachland Classic Car Show is a success. The event is planned for the May long weekend.

More highlights at www.peachland.ca

Upcoming Regular Council Meetings

- April 23
- May 14
- May 28
- June 11
- June 25
- July 9

Regular Council meetings begin at 6 pm in Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre, 4450 6th Street. The public is welcome to attend all regular meetings or can watch live and archived meetings via webcast.



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