

VILLAGE OF PORT CLEMENTS

PROJECT UPDATES

The Village of Port Clements has updates on various projects that are ongoing in 2024. This is a highlight of some of the projects in progress.

Sewer Lagoon Project the projected costs of construction are estimated to go above the budget for the project. The Village is exploring options on how to handle this potential increase. Tendering of the sewer lagoon project is expected to be released in early 2024.

Sunset Park Revitalization Project the project is substantially completed, with moving into project reporting and finalization of a few items (ex. Sunset Park brochure).

Community Park Improvement Project most of the work is completed. However, work on the fencing and other areas needs to be completed by March 2024.

Public Works Yard Improvement Project work on cement pad and erecting storage building continue to be delayed due to workload pressures.

Well #3 Project the contract to complete the project has been awarded to Canadian Western Mechanical. Work is expected to begin soon.

Official Community Plan Work on maps for document still in progress, otherwise close to completion.

GENERAL NEW YEARS REMINDERS

We are well underway into a new year. While reminder letters and notices went out at the end of last year, here is a general reminder that there are annual licenses and membership fees for services that are operated by the Village that must be renewed at this time.

- As required by bylaw, anyone operating a business within the Village is required to have a business licence (this includes airbnbs). the current annual licence fee is \$30.
- Weightroom memberships cost \$120 for a year (though it is prorated and not a flat fee except at the start of the year). An annual waiver must be signed as well as completion of an orientation.
- A Fire Protection Agreement is \$150 for a year. Do you have a property outside of municipal boundaries that is within the Port Clements fire protection service area? If so, unless you have a Fire Protection Agreement with the Village in place, if the Village's Fire Department attends to your property there will be a \$250/hour charge (or the current charge of the Provincial Emergency Programs call out rate, whichever is higher)

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

Check out our:

Regular Report on Current Operations included in our Regular Council Meeting Agenda Packages

Council Meeting **Agenda Packages** and **Meeting Minutes**, located on our website

our website, at www.portclements.ca

our Facebook group, **The Village of Port Clements**, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/152718168842/>

Council Meeting Highlights, posted to our Facebook group after a Meeting

UPCOMING REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS

February 20th, 2024

March 18th, 2024

April 15th, 2024

May 21st, 2024

NEW EMPLOYEE AT THE VILLAGE!

As the community may already be aware, this past December the Village hired a second Public Works Assistant to join the Public Works department.

The Village is thrilled to welcome Miles Christen to the team.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR LEAKS!

As temperatures fluctuate between warm to freezing, it is a good idea to regularly review your property to check your pipes for potential leaks.

A leak may not be immediately noticeable. There may not be a fluctuating loss of pressure, minor loss of pressure, or complete loss of pressure that you may expect to see with leaks. Leaks can be hidden so it is important to inspect your pipes visually and be vigilant.

Additionally, a big thank you again to all residents who inspected their water pipes during our deterioration event in January that the Village experienced. Without resident's understanding, patience, due diligence and efforts the situation may have continued and become an emergency event requiring shut off of the system.

REGISTER FOR EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

The communities on Haida Gwaii have an emergency notification system through Epect Network, called **Haida Gwaii Alerts**, where we issue emergency alerts to our residents. It enables notification by email, phone or text.

visit epectnetwork.com/haidagwaiialerts to register

Need Assistance? If you need assistance or do not have internet at home, you can come to the Village Office and staff will assist with you with registration.

VILLAGE CONTACT INFORMATION

Village Office:

36 Cedar Avenue West, PO Box 198, Port Clements, BC, V0T 1R0

Phone: 250-557-4295 Fax: 250-557-4568 Email: office@portclements.ca

Public Hours: Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

NEW FACEBOOK GROUP: PORT CLEMENTS COMMUNITY MARKET

The Vibrant Community Commission is undertaking a pilot project for a monthly (or twice-monthly) Community Market for 2024, among other projects they are pursuing.

A new Facebook group, Port Clements Community Market, has been created to facilitate communication about the market. It can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/914495883485309>

Additionally, if you would like to contact the Vibrant Community Commission by email their email address is: pcvcc@portclements.ca

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Many of the activities and programs that community members love rely on volunteers to undertake them or they cannot be held.

There are many opportunities with the Village's Commissions as well as other opportunities more generally with the Village.

If you are interested, whether for a one-off event or regularly occurring activities, you can always leave your name at the Village Office or contact our Commissions directly.

REQUESTING WORK ORDERS

Have a concern regarding municipal infrastructure or property?

If you see something or have a concern, contact the Village Office and we can create a work order to investigate and respond to the concern.

Remember: If you see something, let us know! Phone, email/mail or drop by the office during public hours.

Emergency Contacts:

Fire: 250-557-4355
RCMP (Masset): 250-626-3991
Hospital (Masset): 250-626-4711

Ambulance: 1-800-461-9911
Poison: 1-800-567-8911
Public Works Emergency (after hours):
250-557-4272