

South of Town Events

May, 2022

From the Area C Director....

The first week of May is Emergency Preparedness Week so it's a great time to check out the qathet Regional District (qRD) emergency preparedness website (www.qathet.ca/emergency-preparedness) and get yourself signed up for the Community Notification System. During an emergency event the system can share important public safety messages by phone, email or text message and all you need to do is visit the website or scan the QR code provided here and fill in the required information. It takes very little time and could potentially save your life, so please do it.



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The meeting agendas for the Planning Committee, Committee of the Whole and the Board were pretty slim this month so there's not much to report, but I did spend a very valuable week out of town attending the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) conference, the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Electoral Area Directors' Forum and the Local Government Leadership Academy Forum. These conferences are great sources of information and give elected officials the opportunity to meet with counterparts from other parts of the province in order to exchange ideas and to learn what has worked and what hasn't worked elsewhere. Among the many activities and sessions that I participated in were a biking tour of Victoria to view upgrades to their active transportation network, an interesting workshop on collaborative governance between First Nations and local governments, a very positive report from Recycle BC, a sobering presentation about the very real problems of racism and discrimination in our society and an informative keynote Address from Dr. Bonnie Henry. The AVICC conference also included the voting on of resolutions that will, if passed, be forwarded on to the UBCM conference in September. If they pass at that level, then the UBCM will lobby the government for the requested changes to be made.

Recently the qRD joined forces with the Tla'amin Nation and the City of Powell River and hosted a virtual information session, a survey and will host a public workshop to gather feedback from local residents on the impacts of climate change along our shoreline and to discuss what can be done to adapt and build resilience. As ocean water level rises, coastal communities like ours are going to be affected, especially when high tides and storm surges are included in the equation. The online session was held on April 13th and a survey was open from April 13th-29th. Hopefully you had a chance to take part in one or both of these activities. On June 22nd, there will be a public workshop held at Willingdon Park in order to explore adaptation options and to share proposed strategies. Please join us!

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Lang Bay Hall:

Tuesdays 10:30 AM-noon: Lang Bay Friends: Connect with the community through programs, discussion and monthly potluck lunches. Contact Laural at lghascats@gmail.com for more information.

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 pm: Slow Flow Yoga with Danielle. Drop in fee \$10.00. All bodies welcome. Contact Danielle at 604-223-9493 or danraegau@gmail.com.

FUNctional Yoga DROP IN over the summer months only (May, June, July & August). \$10 per class. Classes will be irregular and held outdoors in the back garden at Lang Bay Hall. Send your email address to Robin and a message will be sent when a class is being offered. Rainy days? Class will be indoors. Email: robin.inison@gmail.com

Saturday May 7th, noon-2 PM – Lang Bay Community Club’s fundraising **Plant and Craft Sale**. All south-of-town vendors and lots of member-donated plants and vegetable & flower starts. There will be a raffle of business-donated items and a 50/50 draw. Sorry – no credit or debit – bring your cash or cheques.

The hall is available to rent - Contact Judy 604-487-4499 or Joanne 778-522-9642 to book.

Kelly Creek Community School:

All planned activities involving the public have been cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

Kelly Creek Community Church:

Strong Start is meeting in the basement of Kelly Creek Community Church on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 8:30-11:30, Thursdays 11:30-2:30 dependent on provincial health orders. Please register online at www.sd47.bc.ca before showing up.

Pastor: Mike Martinig Office: 604-414-4827 Email: kellyck@telus.net
Sunday service: Kelly Creek Community Church is hosting in-person services at 10:00 AM and you can also join us online on Facebook or YouTube.

Malaspina Volunteer Fire Department:

The Malaspina Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) is having an **Open House** on Saturday, May 7, 2022 from 11 am - 3 pm. It’s a full-on family event with hot dogs, drinks and fire extinguisher training. Please join us at 9999 HWY 101!

The MVFD has attended to thirteen calls this month so far.