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EXERCISE YOUR DEMOCRATIC RIGHT TO VOTE - OCTOBER 20TH

Municipal elections are October 20 – please remember to get out and vote. Voting on Election Day (Saturday, October 20) will be at the Frank Jameson Community Centre, 6th Avenue, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters will choose 6 members of Town of Ladysmith Council and 9 Board of School Trustees for School District 68 (Nanaimo Ladysmith).

MOVIE MAGIC IN DOWNTOWN LADYSMITH

Sonic the Hedgehog created movie magic in Ladysmith during the month of September. The \$90 million Hollywood production starring James Marsden, Tika Sumpter and Jim Carrey rolled into Ladysmith, creating a big-budget, filmmaking extravaganza, the likes of which the town had never before experienced. 1st Avenue was transformed into Green Hills, Montana, complete with restaurants, a hat shop, market, sheriff's station and U.S. postal service. There were even exploding cars and fireballs! During day and night scenes, excited crowds of movie-lovers gathered to watch, while many Ladysmith and area residents were lucky enough to act as extras in the film. All the while, Ladysmith remained open for business and people were encouraged to check out their favourite stores and restaurants.

The Town is grateful to Ladysmith business owners,



employees, patrons and residents for their patience and flexibility. You will notice that the film crew worked hard to return everything to its original condition, although some shops chose to keep the colours chosen especially for the movie shoot. We are all looking forward to watching the finished product late 2019!



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DOGS AT PUBLIC EVENTS

Please be reminded that dogs are not permitted on First Avenue during community events, such as the Ladysmith Light Up, Arts on the Avenue, or car shows. Please do your furry friends a favour and leave them at home. For more frequently asked questions regarding owning a dog in town visit: <u>https://www.ladysmith.</u> <u>ca/docs/default-source/brochures-other-publications/</u> <u>dog-faq.pdf?sfvrsn=4</u>

STREETS & TRAFFIC BYLAW

Amendments to Ladysmith's Streets and Traffic Bylaw prohibit vehicles, including recreational vehicles, from parking on any Town street for longer than 72 hours at one time. Further, the bylaw clarifies the definition of 'boulevard'. Did you know that the area between a roadway and a property line is a "boulevard" and is Town property? Unlicensed vehicles, unattached trailers and other items cannot be permitted to be parked/stored in these areas. This rule is standard in most communities and improves neighbourhood aesthetics as well as pedestrian and vehicular traffic safety.

The bylaw has also been amended to prohibit camping and sleeping overnight in all types of vehicles on Town streets and boulevards. While the amendments are in effect now, Town staff have been working with residents to ensure that people are aware of the new rules before any further compliance measures are taken. We appreciate everyone's cooperation with regard to this issue.

THERMAL CAMERAS DONATION

Ladysmith Fire Rescue has acquired two new thermal imaging cameras thanks to a generous donation from the Ladysmith Healthcare Auxiliary. The state of the art technology cost approximately \$22,000 and will allow firefighters to judge a building's hot spots, find out where fires are located, and determine if someone is trapped within a burning structure. The cameras can also be used in other lifesaving situations, such as finding someone who may have been ejected from a vehicle following a crash. The Town and Ladysmith Fire Rescue personnel are extremely grateful for the Ladysmith Healthcare Auxiliary's continued support of the health and wellness of our community.



WATER RESTRICTIONS

We would like to thank all residents of Ladysmith for your co-operation during the summer and resulting Water Restrictions. With the recent cooler weather water restrictions will end on October 31.



FIREWORKS

Some people love to liven up their Halloween activities with a dazzling fireworks display, however, this is a friendly reminder that a CVRD Fireworks Discharge Permit must be filled out and submitted to the Town of Ladysmith. Please note that fireworks may be discharged only between the hours of 6:00 pm and 12 midnight on October 31 (and 12 midnight and 1:00 am on January 1). Pick up a form at City Hall or email info@ladysmith.ca

Permits

If you want to discharge fireworks on Hallowe'en night you must have the following:

- A valid Fireworks Operators Certificate, or equivalent, for the level appropriate to the nature of the fi reworks being possessed and discharged
- Fireworks Discharge Permit approved by the CVRD. This can be applied for at Ladysmith City Hall, 410 Esplanade during business hours, Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Permits will be issued for October 31st only
- A fire safety plan

For more information, please call City Hall at 250.245.6400 or email info@ ladysmith.ca.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Autumn brings with it falling leaves, cooler temperatures and little ghosts and goblins in search of candy. With Halloween around the corner, here are a few tips for ensuring your children can have fun and remain safe while trick or treating:

- Wear a light-coloured or bright costume, reflective tape or arm bands to heighten visibility.
- Wear costumes that are properly fitted to reduce tripping hazards.
- Select costumes constructed from flame-retardant materials.
- Make sure your vision is not restricted.
 Consider wearing make-up instead of masks.
- Create a fun necklace with string and glow sticks or reflective tape to keep kids visible to drivers. Or accessorize with a flashlight!
- Stay on the sidewalk and never jaywalk.
- Trick or treat in pairs or groups.
- Make sure your kids ask you to check their candy before they eat it.

PAYMENTS DUE

Utility bills for July to September are due November 29, 2018. If you have not received your bill by the end of October, please call 250.245.6400 or email: billing@ladysmith.ca.

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Light-Up is THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

AROUND TOWN

- Ladysmith Light Up (1st Ave.) Nov. 29 beginning at 3pm
- Ladysmith Waterfront Art Gallery Presents: Santa's Workshop (610 Oyster Bay Drive) Dec. 1-22
- Old Tyme Christmas and Candlelight Walk (1st Ave.) Dec. 8 from 5pm 8pm
- Ladysmith Christmas Mt Brenton Sail Past (Transfer Beach) Dec. 9 6pm 8pm
- Ladysmith Fire/Rescue Santa Claus Parade (various stops) December 23 beginning at 4pm

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Call City Hall **250.245.6400**, click the button on our website **www.ladysmith.ca**, or send us an e-mail to **info@ladysmith.ca** to be added to our electronic newsletter mailing list. You can choose to receive City Hall News, Parks, Recreation & Culture News and/or Emergency Information right in your e-mail inbox in a safe, secure e-newsletter.

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