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**We are a Social Distance
Practicing Community.**

Please respect the 2 metre rule.

Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 21, 2020 @ 9am
Via Zoom

Link to meeting will be available on the [Council Meeting Calendar](#).

Add to
Calendar

Mayor's Message | April 10, 2020



As we begin the long weekend and many folks take pause for religious celebrations, I found myself thinking that although I am apart from friends and family physically, I can still connect in other ways. There's no doubt that this weekend will be a strange

Mayor
Richman

There's no doubt that this weekend will be a strange and quiet entrance into the first long weekend of Spring, but I have confidence that we can find ways to 'visit' and connect. We have taken to preparing dinner with our daughter via FaceTime, she in her kitchen and us in ours, casually walking in and out of frame – it's as if she's here although I think our meals may be a bit more elaborate.

I have also been reminded by someone close to me that we can hold conflicting feelings at the same time. So, while I feel disconnected and a bit stressed, at the same time I am grateful of what I do have, where I live and appreciative of the connections I can make. Let's take this weekend, no matter who we are, to celebrate what we do have. These are difficult times and I feel confident that we are headed in the right direction. Take some time to celebrate the little things this weekend, and celebrate each other.

Let's also remember to check in with folks in isolation/quarantine, the immune compromised, seniors, single parent families and vulnerable people who may not have someone to spell them this weekend.

Let's continue to flatten that curve. Be safe, talk soon.

Chag Sameach, Happy Easter.

For up-to-date information, visit the following websites:

BC CDC: www.bccdc.ca

Vancouver Coastal Health: <http://www.vch.ca/about-us/news/vancouver-coastal-health-statement-on-coronavirus>

Province of BC: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/>

You Asked: Why Not Close One Mile Lake Park and Mackenzie FSR Parking Lots?



In short, closing these areas could result in displacement of vehicles into adjacent residential areas.

Our approach has been to discourage visitors to the area along with our regional partners, including local governments, First Nations and our Provincial counterparts. Some of the actions we've taken in the past

week include:

- Issued a joint media release with the message to stay in our own communities
- Requested Mayors from the lower mainland to promote the same message in their municipalities
- Requested enforcement, signage and educational support on a number

- of levels from the Province and its Ministries
- Increased bylaw enforcement presence and patrols at hot spots over the weekend
- Increased physical distancing signage at hot spots and throughout town

Our messaging has also been echoed through several lower mainland media outlets including CBC News and radio, CKNW, Global, the Pique, Mountain FM, and CTV.

At this point, we have chosen not to close the One Mile Lake Park and Mackenzie FSR Parkings Lots for the following reasons:

- Potential displacement of vehicles into adjacent areas, including residential areas, creating safety issues
- Many of the trailheads and backcountry accesses are not within our jurisdiction, therefore we are unable to close them
- It's important for our wellbeing to provide a safe, outdoor activity (that can accommodate physical distancing), for our residents who don't have access to outdoor space or a backyard

The Village will be closely monitoring areas that have been known for people to congregate. Should we find that it's unsafe to keep these areas open, we will consider restricting access, if its within our jurisdiction.

If you are using any of these areas, be sure to practice social distancing and be courteous and kind to your fellow park and trail users.

Rental Supplement Applications Now Open



Renters who are experiencing a loss of income during the COVID-19 pandemic can now apply for the Province's new temporary rental supplement.

The program will provide \$300 per month for eligible households with no dependents and \$500 per month for eligible households with dependents.

Eligible roommates will each be able to apply for the supplement.

The rental supplement is available on a per-household basis to those who meet all of the following criteria:

- receiving or eligible for Employment Insurance, the Canada Emergency Response Benefit or experiencing a 25% reduction in monthly employment income as a result of COVID-19;
- 2019 household income of less than \$74,150 for households with no dependents and \$113,040 for households with dependents;

- paying more than 30% of current/reduced gross monthly income towards rent; and
- not receiving any other rent subsidy from any level of government, including subsidized housing or rent supplements, such as Shelter Aid for Elderly Renters (SAFER) or the Rental Assistance Program (RAP).

The supplement will be available for April, May and June 2020. Renters who are eligible for the program and have already paid their April rent are still able to receive the rental supplement for this month.

For information about the temporary rental supplement, including eligibility criteria, visit: <http://bchousing.org/bctrs> or call 1.877.757.2577

If you are experiencing violence and need help during the COVID-19 pandemic, visit: <https://www.bchousing.org/housing-assistance/women-fleeing-violence/transition-houses-safe-homes>

Mental Health Supports During COVID-19



To ensure British Columbians have increased access to vital mental health supports during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Province has announced \$5 million to expand existing mental health programs and services and launch new services to support British Columbians.

Enhanced virtual services will help all British Columbians with mental health needs arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, with a focus on adults, youth and front-line health care workers.

Visit the [Province's COVID-19 website](#) for a listing of resources.

Public Notice | Burning Regulations



Notice to Residents Regarding Burning

X Category 2 and 3 Fires are NOT Permitted
(if you see a Category 2 or 3 fire, report it to 911)

Campfires ARE permitted

(no larger than .5 m x .5 m. Must use dry and clean fuels only. No yard waste.)

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Media Release



Communities in Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Ask Visitors Not to Come During COVID-19 Pandemic

For Immediate Release

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District – As the Easter long weekend approaches, communities from Squamish to Lillooet are asking visitors to follow the advice of the provincial health officer and avoid non-essential travel which means not visiting Squamish, Whistler, Pemberton, Lillooet and the recreation areas in the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District.

In spite of Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry and Minister of Health Adrian Dix stressing the importance of avoiding all unnecessary travel and practicing physical distancing the Sea-to-Sky region continues to be a draw for a large number of visitors, many of whom are arriving to the area's parks, trails and small communities from the Lower Mainland.

[Read entire media release](#)

"The simple action of staying home will undoubtedly save the lives of our family, friends and fellow community members. To disregard the Province's direction to remain in place is reckless and irresponsible. Non-essential travelers put themselves at risk, our community at risk and our rural clinics and ERs at risk. If you truly enjoy our area and all it has to offer, you will respect our simple plea so that we can welcome you back in the near future." -Mayor Mike Richman

Call for Donations to the Pemberton Foodbank



The Pemberton Foodbank has seen a significant increase in demand as a result of COVID-19. The Village is calling on our community members to help, if you are able.

Please consider a cash donation or a food donation of the below:



of the below.

- cases of canned vegetables
- cases of pasta sauce
- cases of pasta and Kraft Dinner/Annie's
- cases of baked beans

-cases of soup

Please note, all donated food items must be in cases and must not be expired.

Every little bit helps.

[DONATE HERE](#)

Important Resource Links

COVID-19 Medical Emergency line: *811

To apply for the CERB Benefit: <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/benefits/apply-for-cerb-with-cra.html>

For Canadians stranded abroad (contact the Canadian Embassy or use the info below to reach Global Affairs):

+1-613-996-8885 | sos@international.gc.ca

<https://travel.gc.ca/assistance/emergency-assistance>

<https://travel.gc.ca/.../financial-as.../covid-19-financial-help>

Federal updates on the latest public health information:

canada.ca/coronavirus | 1-833-784-4397

BC Provincial updates:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/.../emerge.../covid-19-provincial-support>

BC Centre for Disease Control (CDC):

<http://www.bccdc.ca/.../diseases-co.../covid-19/common-questions>

BC Self-Assessment Tool if you're experiencing COVID-19 symptoms:

<https://bc.thrive.health/covid19>

Federal COVID-19 Symptom Self-Assessment Tool:

<https://ca.thrive.health/covid19/en>

Employment Insurance (EI) & Benefits:

EI General Overview: <https://bit.ly/2wFfdki>

EI Sickness & Regular Benefits: <https://bit.ly/2xl4bB0> + <https://bit.ly/2JfoXVb>

Emergency Care & Emergency Support Benefits: <https://bit.ly/2QMyKGr>

(These are additional benefits for unemployed individuals who do not qualify

for EI.)

Resources for Canadian Businesses:

<https://bit.ly/2UzBMyR>

For Canadian manufacturers and businesses that can provide medical supplies:

<https://bit.ly/3dtYD7L>

Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) & Taxes:

The deadline for filing your 2019 tax return has been extended to June 1, 2020.**

1-800-675-6184 (To speak with a Collections Officer on previous debt.)

CRA Contact Information: <https://bit.ly/2Jrvc8J>

Request for Taxpayer Relief: <https://bit.ly/3btXsn8>

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