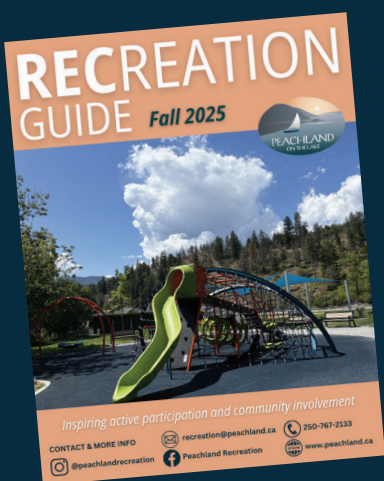


PEACHLAND News

Fall Recreation Guide is Here!



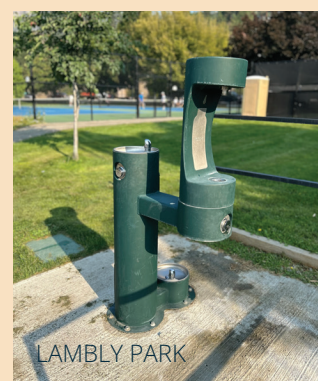
The Fall 2025 Recreation Guide will be available August 15 with registration beginning August 18 for residents, and August 19 for non-residents. Registration opens at 9 am. You can register online, in-person at the Peachland Community Centre, or by telephone at 250-767-2133.



www.peachland.ca/recreation

Stay Hydrated, Peachland!

During extended periods of high temperatures, it's important to keep cool and hydrated. When on Beach Avenue, take a break under the trees at the Splash Pad in Heritage Park, open from 7 am to 8 pm during the summer. You'll find a bottle filling station/water fountain there. The Peachland Community Centre and Swim Bay also have water stations. Lambly Park, Highway 97 & San Clemente Avenue, has a water fountain, bottle fill station and a dog water fountain.



SAVE THE DATE!

The Turner Park Upgrades are nearly done! It's time to celebrate! Join us at the official opening to check out the new park upgrades and participate in family activities, games and celebrations. More details to come, please visit www.peachland.ca

Turner Park Grand Opening
Friday, September 5
4 to 7 pm
6114 Turner Avenue



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Protective Services Building Land Requirements Increase

At a Special Meeting on Thursday, July 24, Peachland Council rose and reported that it will pursue the purchase of additional land for the construction of the Peachland Protective Services Building.

Mayor Patrick Van Minsel reported on behalf of Council that the two properties that have been assembled for the project are not adequate to meet the future needs of the emergency services building and more land is needed.

"The District is in communication with the Peachland Baptist Church to discuss purchasing its 4204 Lake Avenue property with an option that would fully support Peachland Baptist Church by professionally relocating its building to a nearby site within the same neighborhood," said Mayor Van Minsel.

In a 2022 referendum, Peachland residents approved the borrowing of up to \$17.5 million to build the new Peachland Protective Services Building which will house the firehall, BC Ambulance Service and Citizens on Patrol. The current facility at 4401 3rd Street is no longer suitable due to age, condition and increased service demands, and is not meeting regulatory requirements. Since that time, the District has purchased

property at 4223 San Clemente Avenue, adjacent to the municipally owned parcel at the corner of San Clemente Avenue and 13th Street. The new central location will meet health and safety regulations, improve response times and enable the District to more effectively support regional emergency activations.

"Council wholeheartedly believes that a mutually beneficial solution will be achieved and has directed the District to support the relocation of the Peachland Baptist Church, a deeply valued institution that has been part of the community for over 100 years," said Mayor Patrick Van Minsel.

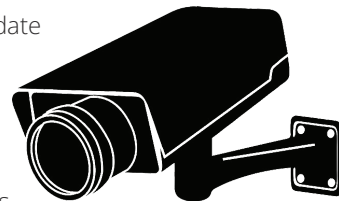
The District's project consultants have determined that commercial construction costs have increased dramatically due to market volatility and price escalations, prompting the need to explore more cost-effective delivery models. In seeking a viable solution, the District has been examining a Public-Private Partnership (P3) approach to help offset rising costs and maximize the use of an expanded site. The property on which the Peachland Baptist Church is situated provides the needed space and strategic location for an expanded Protective Services Building to serve the community's long-term needs.

Strategic Priorities Fund Application Protective Services Building

Council authorized the District's application for \$7 million from the Strategic Priorities Fund 2025 towards the building of the Peachland Protective Services Building. This opportunity opened in May through the Canada Community-Building Fund in BC (formerly known as the Gas Tax Fund) and is administered through the Union of BC Municipalities to fund capital construction projects, including firehalls. The application deadline is in September.

Community Video Surveillance Update

Council approved an update to its Video Surveillance policy allowing the installation of cameras near areas where increasing vandalism is being observed. Cameras



will be installed outside of public washrooms at Swim Bay, the Peachland Museum and Todd Road lift station where acts of vandalism or property damage requiring cleanup, repairs and sometimes temporary closures has occurred. Bylaw Enforcement has also received multiple reports of people trying to access or inappropriately use these public facilities after hours. The District currently conducts video surveillance at Peachland Municipal Hall, the Public Works yard and the 50+ Centre (operated by Community Policing). The new cameras will be in addition to current security measures, like routine patrols, and should act as a significant deterrent. Video surveillance, including the privacy implications, is managed through the District's Video Surveillance Policy PRO-290, and adheres to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The policy allows surveillance footage to be provided to the RCMP for criminal investigations. Surveillance will be practically minimized and will not take place in areas considered confidential, ie: change rooms/washrooms.

Notice of Unpaid Property Taxes

The deadline to pay 2025 property taxes has passed and late penalties have been applied to all accounts with unpaid taxes or unclaimed Home Owner Grants.

Property owners can still claim the grant for 2025 however, the grant will not cover any penalties owed. If you have unpaid property taxes, please ensure you have claimed your Home Owner Grant by visiting

www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant

or call 1-888-355-2700. If you qualify for a Home Owner Grant you must apply for it each year. The deadline to claim the grant is December 31, 2025 but late penalties are charged to accounts with grants claimed after July 2, 2025. Property owners with taxes in arrears are encouraged to make a payment to avoid further interest charges. Please note, municipalities are governed by provincial legislation and the District of Peachland does not have the authority to waive or alter penalties or interest charges.

Pre-Authorized Payments Make Life a Little Easier

Simplify your finances and sign up for the District's Pre-authorized Payment Plan for both your utility invoices and your annual property taxes. Sign up to have payments automatically withdrawn from your account.

Find out more by visiting www.peachland.ca/finance or call 250-767-2647

PEACHLAND SUMMER SERIES

LIVE MUSIC ALL SUMMER LONG



**THURSDAYS
EVENINGS
6:30 PM**

**Bring your
lawn chair or
blanket and
join us for
free concerts
in the park!**

**AUGUST 7
Papa Thom &
the Elderly Brothers**

**AUGUST 14
Johnny Carwash &
the Desert Dawgz**

**AUGUST 21
Mother Tone**

**AUGUST 28
Dean & Friends**

LOCATION
HERITAGE PARK
5834 Beach Ave. Peachland, BC

MORE INFORMATION
peachland.ca/summer-series

Mayor Patrick Van Minsel
performing July 10 with
the Kelowna Big Band



**Peachland Fire & Rescue
wants you to...**

BE PREPARED

During major incidents or emergencies, Peachland's emergency plan is supported by the regional emergency program through the Regional District of Central Okanagan and, in turn, by the Province through Emergency Management and Climate Readiness. Even the best plans by your local government can only do so much. It is up to you to be prepared for emergencies. Sign up to receive email notification of emergency activations in your community.

www.cordemergency.ca/email-updates



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Farmer's & Crafter's Market

Every Sunday, June to September
10 am to 2 pm
Heritage Park at Beach Avenue
and 1st Street.
www.peachlandfarmersandcraftersmarket.ca



Peachland Fall Fair

Saturday, September 6, 1 to 5 pm
Sunday, September 7, 10 am to 4 pm
Use your imagination and enter your
"Plant a Seed" themed entry into the
106th annual Peachland Fall Fair. Held at
the Peachland Community Centre, the Fair
hosts thousands of entries in hundreds of
categories and prizes are awarded for the
best of the best! Get the details you need
at www.peachlandfallfair.ca



Pop Up Recycle

Saturday, September 13
10 am to 2 pm
Peachland Community Centre parking
lot. Free drop-off of household
recycling including glass, plastic
bags, electronics and more.
www.rdco.com/recycle



EVENTS

Mayor's Message

Volunteers Are Essential

There is not enough space in this newsletter to truly quantify what volunteers do for a community. Without these inspiring people, many non-profit organizations and social services would struggle or simply not exist, particularly services for those less fortunate Peachlanders. What would we do as a community if there was little support for our vulnerable citizens or business community; no arts and cultural celebrations; no wellness programs or youth sports teams? Volunteers and non-profit organizations tie our community together by filling gaps that governments, business and health organizations can't tackle. I know how much of a difference the donation of your time and expertise can make; I see it every day.

It's valuable to reflect on what volunteers provide our community, but it's also important to note that much can be personally gained by volunteering. I speak from experience having volunteered in Peachland for years before being elected to Council. Volunteering gives you a sense of purpose and improves your self-esteem. You feel that you make a difference and are helping to build your community, which fosters a feeling of belonging and civic pride. I met many friends while volunteering, developed new skills and was coaxed out of a few comfort zones to help where help was needed.

My passion for volunteer community service is why I'm so pleased about the upcoming Peachland Volunteer Fair, spearheaded by Councillor Alena Glasman and Peachland's Recreation Department. The Fair on Saturday, August 23 will connect individuals who want to get involved in a worthy cause with Peachland organizations that need your help. You can volunteer as an individual or you can volunteer as a family. The great news is, there are dozens of organizations and events you could pick from. Get the details you need at

www.peachlandvolunteerfair.ca.

Sincerely,
Mayor Patrick Van Minsel



Patrick
Van Minsel



Council Highlights

July 8, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING

Development Application and Licence Fees

Council gave first three readings to a Development Application and Licence Fees Bylaw Amendment to better reflect current costs of providing services, the staff time required to facilitate reviews and approvals, and to ensure fee alignment with area municipalities. The last major review of the current bylaw was in October 2015. Council requested adjustments to the recommended fees for short term rentals, which will be incorporated into the proposed bylaw for Council's consideration at an upcoming meeting.

4062 Beach Avenue Zoning Amendments

Council adopted a Zoning Amendment Bylaw to rezone 4062 Beach Avenue from Multi-Unit Infill Residential to Beach Avenue Mixed Use, making it the first property with the CR3 zone in Peachland. Conditions that Council had placed after third reading have been met including registration of a covenant restricting the development to a density of six units and a maximum height of 12 metres. The development included payment of \$11,262 for the Community Amenity Contribution.

Removal of Illegal Retaining Walls

Council imposed a remedial action order on 5475 Pierce Street for the removal of retaining walls built in contravention of the Building Bylaw. The walls constitute a hazardous condition as they were constructed using potentially toxic materials and without the benefit of a building permit. The order would direct the property owner to remove the structures, restore the slope under the supervision of a qualified professional, and provide confirmation that the site meets geotechnical safety standards. If the owner does not comply within a specified time, the District will do the work and recover the associated costs from the property owner.

PSSS Phase II Building Tour

Mayor and Council took an escorted tour of the Peachland Seniors' Support Society's Residences on 5th building now under construction.



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UPCOMING REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS

August 26
September 9
October 7
October 21

November 4
November 18
December 2

Regular Council meetings begin at 3 pm in Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre, 4450 6th St. The public is welcome to attend or view live and archived meetings via webcast.

www.peachland.ca/council

