

PEACHLAND News



Peachland's Banner Ladies!

A warm THANK YOU to the wonderful volunteers with the Peachland Art Group who paint up to 30 banners each year to display on the poles of Beach Avenue. These new, colourful creations will be installed soon. Pictured are Art Group members (from left) Aline, Millie, Jane, Jan and Dian.

Join Mayor and Council at the 4th annual OUR PEACHLAND OPEN HOUSE & BBQ

**Wednesday
June 10, 2026
4 to 7 pm
Peachland
Community Centre
4450 6th Street**



**MAYOR'S
ADDRESS
5:30 pm**

Free food, draw prizes, giveaways, kid's activities and information displays on a variety of Peachland and partner services and initiatives.

Don't miss the special *"Canada's Kindest Community"* celebration after the Mayor's Address.

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Peachland Water Restrictions

Find detailed information, and water conservation tips at peachland.ca/water

Stage 3 water restrictions are in place due to ongoing drought conditions and lower upland lake levels. Peachland's watershed is departing from historic refill patterns and the upland lakes the water system relies on are substantially lower than historic norms. Water restrictions highlight the importance of conservation activities to avoid potential shortages. The municipality is also embarking on its own water conservation initiatives and will no longer water outlying parks. Downtown parks and sports fields will be watered but the District has the ability to adjust watering during times of precipitation. Staff will continue to monitor lake levels, outflow and demand and will update Council as the season continues.

**WE ARE AT
STAGE 3**



STAGE 3

**Even # address
water Saturday,
odd on Sunday.
Watering not
permitted
between 10 am
and 7pm.
Handwatering
always allowed.**



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DID YOU KNOW that different rules apply for different electric cycles or scooters? Peachland has limited dedicated cycling routes and is not part of the provincial pilot program to allow e-scooters on roads or sidewalks.

Among other regulations, e-bikes must:

- have pedals
- have a maximum power output (which depends on the size of the cycle)
- have proper safety features



Riders must be at least 14 for light e-bikes and 16 for regular e-bikes. E-dirt bikes have no pedals and often have a maximum power output above 500w, making them off-road vehicles.

E-dirt bikes are not allowed on Peachland roads, pedestrian paths, bike lanes or Highway 97.

HELMETS MUST ALWAYS BE WORN BY EVERYONE!

Please ensure you know the rules before hitting the road. Visit

[peachland.ca/
electric-cycles-scooters](http://peachland.ca/electric-cycles-scooters)

ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS

THEY ARE NOT STREET LEGAL!

- ✓ No insurance ~\$598
- ✓ No driver's licence ~\$276
- ✓ No helmet ~\$138
- ✓ Vehicle impoundment and criminal charges

Parents and riders may be personally liable for damages

PROHIBITED ON ROADS, PATHS, SIDEWALKS & BIKE LANES

Trepanier Bench Road gets some attention

In April and early May, the District repaved Trepanier Bench Road from Highway 97 to Dryden Road to capitalize on work at the intersection. This project was one of the top priority roads identified in the District's pavement management program.

Ministry improvements to the Trepanier Bench/Highway 97/Desert Pines Road intersection are expected to be complete by the end of May.



COEM launches new notification system

Central Okanagan Emergency Management introduced Alertable as the region's new emergency notification system.

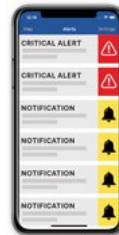
You can now choose to receive alerts by email, text message or phone call.

People who have previously signed up are already pre-registered. Find out more or update your preferences at

New notification system

Central Okanagan
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT coemergency.ca/subscribe

coemergency.ca



ALERTABLE
COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS
Stay Aware & Plan Ahead

FREE Yard Waste Vouchers offered again this year!

For a limited time, Peachland residents can get a FREE voucher to cover yard waste fees at the Asquith Road Transfer Station. The voucher covers a van/truck load or a full tandem trailer load!

As part of its FireSmart Program, the Peachland Fire Department is covering the fees to encourage residents to collect and dispose of yard waste and consider more FireSmart activities for their properties.

Pick up your voucher at Peachland Municipal Hall at 5806 Beach Avenue. With some easy steps, you can protect your home from wildfire. Find FireSmart tips at: www.peachland.ca/firesmart.

The Asquith Road Transfer Station (Westside Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre) is located at 2640 Asquith Rd, West Kelowna, BC.





PEACHLAND FARMERS & CRAFTERS MARKET
 Every Sunday, 10 am to 2 pm beginning May 24
 Heritage Park, Peachland - Beach Avenue
peachlandfarmersandcraftersmarket.ca



WildSafeBC M. Levisay

As temperatures rise and bears come out of hibernation, they're hungry and looking for food sources, even if it means going for unnatural ones like household garbage. It is important to take steps to ensure bears and other wildlife are not drawn to your property due to attractants such as garbage, bird feeders and pet food.

- Put garbage out on collection day only: NEVER the night before.
- Encourage neighbours to do the same: Offer help if needed.
- Secure garbage: Store it indoors or in a bear resistant enclosure.
- Clean recyclables: Wash them before placing in cart.
- Freeze kitchen waste: Until collection day.
- Maintain compost: Avoid smells, no meat/dairy.
- Avoid bird feeders: Use birdbaths and houses instead.
- Clean BBQ grills: Burn off grills, clean grease traps, store equipment securely.
- Feed pets indoors: Store pet food inside.
- Secure food indoors: Avoid using outdoor fridges and freezers.

Report human-bear conflicts, aggressive bear behaviour or the feeding of dangerous wildlife to the Report All Poachers and Polluters (RAPP) hotline at 1.877.952.7277

For more information on reducing human-wildfire conflict, visit rdco.com/wildlife-awareness

Peachland on the Early Edition

Mayor Patrick Van Minsel joins host Gary Barnes live to talk all things Peachland.

Tune in on the second Wednesday of every month from 8:30 to 9 am at AM1150 or online at am1150.ca



Minor OCP Review Open House

Wednesday, May 20 at the Peachland Community Centre (banquet room). The open house begins at 5 pm. See proposed changes as part of the minor Official Community Plan review that is underway. Find out more at peachland.ca

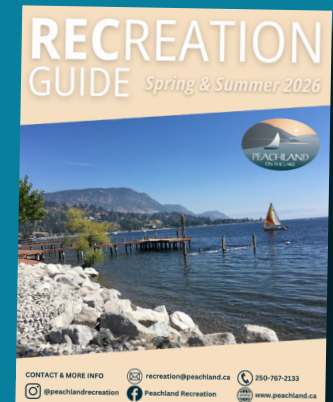


Art & Tacos Art Show

Saturday, May 23 and Sunday, May 24 at the Peachland Community Centre. The Peachland Art Group is hosting its annual art show and sale and this year, Surf Side California food truck will be on site from 11 am to 3:30 pm. Come for the ART and stay for the TACOS!

Spring/Summer Recreation Guide

The Spring/Summer Recreation Guide is now available and it's packed with activities for all ages. Check it out at peachland.ca/recreation-guide



EVENTS

Mayor's Message

Welcoming Peachland's newest neighbourhood

Peachland is entering an exciting new chapter of growth, and nowhere is that more visible than in the emerging neighbourhood near Peachland Elementary School. This area is quickly becoming a vibrant and family-focused part of our community, supported by significant District investments in essential services and road infrastructure that will serve residents for generations to come.

Soon, we will celebrate a major milestone with the groundbreaking of the new Redhaven development at 5631 Wild Goose Street, located next to the new Peachland BGC0 Childcare Centre currently under construction. Together, these projects signal meaningful progress in shaping a complete and connected neighbourhood designed to meet the needs of today's residents and future generations.

The Redhaven, by Highstreet Development, and its 89 rental units, will help create a welcoming and accessible hub, complete with a walking path linking residents to nearby Trepanier Creek Linear Park and surrounding amenities. It is an example of thoughtful and sustainable planning that supports housing diversity, economic vitality, and a strong sense of place. Equally important is the addition of the new childcare centre, which will provide much-needed support for local families and expand access to quality early learning opportunities in our community.

These investments directly support Peachland Council's strategic priorities by advancing responsible growth, strengthening community infrastructure, and enhancing livability for residents of all ages. By integrating housing, child care, transportation connections, and recreational access into one neighbourhood, we are creating a model for complete community development that aligns with our long-term vision.

Together, these projects reflect Peachland's commitment to building neighbourhoods where families can live, work, learn, and thrive. As our community continues to evolve, we remain focused on creating spaces and services that improve quality of life while preserving the character and spirit that make Peachland so special.

This is more than development—it is a strategic investment in our future, one that will strengthen our community and support a vibrant, inclusive, and sustainable Peachland for years to come.



Patrick Van Minsel



Council Highlights

April 14, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

Parcel Tax Bylaw

Council was advised there are no new parcel taxes this year and approved parcel taxes for the RDCO transfer station, sewer collection, water treatment debt and the new firehall project. Not all properties are impacted by every parcel tax. The overall increase for property owners with all four parcel taxes will be 23.5%, or approximately \$123. However, for the majority of property owners, there will be a decrease in overall parcel taxes of about 1% or -\$3.

Election Costs Budget

Council agreed to amend its 2026 budget to include \$20,000 in additional election funding due to the unexpected costs of a by-election in March 2026. The funding will not impact the proposed tax increase. Council officially approved the results of the 2026 by-election, confirming Councillor Ali Bani-Sadr.

Water Meter Replacement Program

Since spring 2024, the District has been working diligently to replace over 1,000 non-functioning water meters; the District has a total of approximately 2,350 meters. Most were near the end of life, an average of 15 to 20 years. Over 100 non-functioning meters still need to be replaced. The District will embark on a process to encourage property owners with non-functioning meters to get in touch with the District to have their meter replaced. Enforcement options will be explained to non-compliant property owners.

April 28, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing Next Steps Project

Council adopted amendments to update bylaws affected by previous major changes to the District's Zoning Bylaw, which were prompted by Bill 44 - Housing Statutes Amendment Act. While the amendment bylaws support Council's priorities to increase housing choices by promoting diverse housing options and streamlining the development application process, they were mainly updated to improve clarity and consistency across bylaws. The SSMUH next steps project is ongoing and more amendments to the Zoning Bylaw are expected to be presented to Council in the future.

R1 Zoning Front Setback Amendment

Council directed Administration to prepare a Zoning Bylaw amendment to permit a reduced front yard setback in the R1 zone, from 6 metres to 4.5 metres, in certain circumstances, improving flexibility in siting dwellings where rear yard space is constrained.

Speed Bumps on 13th Street and Lake Avenue

Council directed staff to install 30 km/h speed limit signage and two seasonal side-by-side speed bumps on 13th Street at the intersection with Lake Avenue in an effort to prevent excessive vehicle speeds, stunting and excessive noise in the area.

Peachland Council



Ali Bani-Sadr



Randy Brophy



Dave Collins



Terry Condon



Alena Glasman



Rick Ingram

UPCOMING
REGULAR
COUNCIL
MEETINGS

May 26
June 9
June 23
July 7

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.

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