



The Pipeline

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING OPEN BURNING – PLEASE SEE PAGE 2

2013 Budget Information

The DBID trustees will be approving the 2013 operating budgets for Waterworks and Fire Protection at the October 17th board meeting

Date: **Wednesday, October 17, 2012**

Time: **7:00 pm**

Place: **5031 Mountainview Road, Deep Bay Fire Hall**

Rate payers are welcome to attend and there will be an opportunity to ask questions regarding the budgets at this meeting.

Once the budgets have been finalized and approved, they will be available on the website and from the office. *Draft budget packages will be available from the office and on the website by October 12, 2012*



Thank-you for keeping your meters clear!

Thank you to all those rate payers that keep the area around your water meter clear and accessible.

The cost to pay someone to clear around the meters must be passed onto all the ratepayers. This includes not only weed whacking but trimming back branches of overhanging trees and shrubs. If everyone looks after their own meter this would assist the board in keeping the water toll rates down.

As per our bylaw, access to the meters cannot be obstructed at any time. Please do not cover or place any objects on or near your meter box lid.

Questions? Concerns? Please call the office at 250-757-9312.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- Pre Authorized Payment (PAP) Plan - applications available from the office and on the website. **PAP Plan is available for all financial institutions.**
- On-line/Telephone banking - set up for most financial institutions (not available for RBC or National Bank).
- Cheque or Cash - in person at the office. Cheques can also be mailed - please do not mail cash.

How do you compare?

Some comparison numbers for this invoice period:

- 2 % of all households used no water
- 32 % of all households used less than 40 m³
- 27 % of all households used between 40 and 74 m³
- 13 % of all households used between 75 and 100 m³
- 26 % of all households used over 100 m³

Drips and Drops

- ◆ **2013 Parcel & Fire Protection Tax invoices** will be issued in January (in addition to the quarterly water tolls invoices.) *Please be sure to arrange payment if you will be away (taxes due Feb. 28, 2013).*
- ◆ **Assessment notices** will be mailed out in November. These notices tell you how your property has been classified by the DBID.
- ◆ **Pre-payment of accounts** . Rate payers that are having difficulty with the annual parcel & fire tax invoice, may make pre-payments to their accounts to reduce the balance owing once invoices are issued. Please contact the office for further details.

Emergency Contact Information

The office maintains an emergency contact email list. This is used strictly for advising and updating during emergencies (e.g. boil water advisories). To be included, please send your email contact info with your payment or send to: admin@dbid.ca

Thank you to those who have already supplied their information.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

OCTOBER 17, 2012

NOVEMBER 21, 2012

DECEMBER 19, 2012

LOCATION: 5031 MOUNTAINVIEW ROAD (DEEP BAY FIRE HALL)

TIME: 7:00 PM - PUBLIC IS WELCOME

Regular board meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. Meeting dates can be confirmed at the office and on the website.

CONTACT US:

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Fire Department News

Burn Permit Requirement Extended!

DUE TO THE ONGOING DRY CONDITIONS, THE DEEP BAY FIRE DEPT. HAS EXTENDED THE BURN PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

ALL OPEN BURNS UP TO AND INCLUDING OCTOBER 30, 2012 REQUIRE A PERMIT. NO OPEN BURNS ARE ALLOWED DURING THIS PERIOD WITHOUT A PERMIT.

Permits will only be issued if conditions allow. Please call the fire hall (250-757-2030) for further information

Annual Food Drive

Food drive will take place **Saturday, December 1st** Deep Bay Fire Department members will be going door to door in our area collecting non-perishable food items.

Deep Bay Fire Dept. Not for Profit

We are still hoping for a couple more people to volunteer to participate in a not for profit group. The creation of a non-profit group will allow access to grant money that will in turn help keep tax rates down.

Water Tolls Information

Quarterly base rate: \$33 (includes no consumption)

First 50 cubic meters: \$.50/cubic meter

Next 50 cubic meters: \$.60/cubic meter

Remaining Consumption over 100 cubic meters: \$1.00/cubic meter

Your October 2012 invoice includes the base rate of \$33 for October, November and December and consumption for July, August and September.

If you have any questions regarding your invoice or your consumption please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Office Closures

Please note that the office will be closed on: Friday, October 19, 2012 and Friday, November 16, 2012 to allow office staff to attend an administrative course.