



# The Pipeline

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## Fire Hall Renewal Open House



Date: **Wednesday, October 21, 2015**

Time: **6:00 – 7:00 pm**

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

### Fire Hall Renewal Presentation Open House

The Fire Hall Renewal Committee has met numerous times in 2015 to review current building information and to work on developing cost effective options to address the needs of the Deep Bay Volunteer Fire Department.

The Committee and DBID board will be holding a presentation/open house prior to the October board meeting. This will be an opportunity to meet the volunteer members of the committee and to ask any questions you may have on the work done to date.

The Deep Bay Fire Rescue Society will also attend to speak to their fund raising efforts to date.

### 2016 Budget Information October 21, 2015

DBID Committees have been meeting over the last several weeks to review the 2016 operating and capital budgets line by line. The DBID trustees will be considering the 2016 budgets and required revenue for 2016, including the 2016 tax rates for Waterworks and Fire Protection, at the regular October board meeting.

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

Once the budgets have been finalized and approved, copies will be available on the website and from the office.

*Draft budget packages will be available from the office and on the website October 16, 2015*

### 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.

### Drips & Drops

- ◆ **Water Meter clearing** – thank you to those that keep the area around their water meter clear. Our meter reader needs clear access around and above the meter box in order to read the meter.
- ◆ Please be advised that the **Union Bay Credit Union** now charges a \$1.50 service fee for DBID bill payments made at any of their branches including the Lighthouse Community Branch in Bowser.

## Fire Department News

### Open Burning

As of October 15 and effective until April 15 next year, open burning is allowed and does not require a burn permit.

Open burning should not be initiated unless the **Environment Canada Ventilation Index** (which provides regional information on airflow venting) is forecast as "GOOD" for the period during which the burning is to take place. If the Ventilation Index indicates POOR or FAIR, then smoke that results from burning will tend to build up, causing air pollution. Prior to burning obtain Venting Index information from the Provincial toll-free line: 1-888-281-2992 (press 2 for Vancouver Island Region) or On-line:

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/epdpa/venting/venting.html>

Open burning must not be conducted within 3 m (10 feet) from any grass, shrubbery or wooden fence; and 6 m (20 feet) from any building and burning should be supervised at all times.

A source of water (eg. water hose) should always be readily available.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

#### REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

OCTOBER 21, 2015

NOVEMBER 18, 2015

DECEMBER 16, 2015

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.

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## Summer Water Consumption

A big **thank you** goes out to all our rate payers that voluntarily reduced water consumption over the last two very dry months. Consumption for July was 26% below average (post meters) and August was a whopping 38% below average! Everyone's conservation has helped to maintain the health of our aquifer.

### How do you compare?

Some comparison numbers for this invoice period (July – September) and the same period in 2014:

2015	2014	Household usage
3%	3%	no water use
45%	35%	used less than 40 m <sup>3</sup>
27%	29%	used between 40 and 74 m <sup>3</sup>
9%	9%	used between 75 and 100 m <sup>3</sup>
16%	24%	used over 100 m <sup>3</sup>

## Deep Bay Fire Rescue Society

The society has been busy this summer...

Another successful bottle drive held in August brought in over \$981 and the September garage sale and BBQ had a great turnout with lots of bargains.



...and there is more fund raising on going. The society is selling **t-shirts**: Youth (Small to Large)-\$18.00, Adult (Small to XL)-\$20.00, XXL and over-\$22. Colours: Red, Navy and Grey. **Show that you are a proud supporter of our volunteer fire department.**

There is also a Christmas **raffle** (is it too soon to say Christmas?). Tickets are \$2 each and there are some excellent prizes this year. Winning tickets will be drawn December 5th. Tickets are available at the DBID office and from society members.

**To order your t-shirt or for more info on any of the DBFRS fund raising activities, please call Barb at 250-757-9902.**