



# The Pipeline

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## 2021 Budget Information

The DBID trustees have been meeting over the last several weeks to review the 2021 operating budgets and the capital budgets, line by line, for both Waterworks and Fire Protection.

The board will be considering the 2021 Waterworks and Fire Protection budgets including revenue requirements for 2021 (Parcel and Fire Protection tax rates and Quarterly Water Tolls) at the October 21<sup>st</sup> board meeting. While rate payers can't attend due to COVID-19, draft budget packages will be available on the website by October 16<sup>th</sup> for review. If you have questions regarding the draft budgets, please submit them to the office no later than noon on October 21<sup>st</sup> to have them addressed by the board.

## COVID-19 Coronavirus Update

**DBID Office & Fire Hall Remain Closed to the Public:** Office staff members are still available to help you with any questions you may have via telephone or email. Please don't hesitate to contact us!

**During this time, we are encouraging on-line banking or e-transfer for payments whenever possible.** If you are paying via e-transfer please include your account number or service address in the message area to ensure the payment is applied correctly. You may also drop off payments at the office through a secure mail slot in the front door. Any change due from a cash payment will be applied as a credit to your account. Payment receipts can be mailed out upon request.

Board meetings are still being held via conference call and are not open to the public. The 2019 Annual Report is now available on the website along with the previously posted 2019 Audited Financials. These two documents are usually presented at the Annual General Meeting but due to the uncertainty of scheduling the next AGM, these have been made available for viewing.

Thank you

*"BE KIND, BE CALM  
AND BE SAFE."*

*Dr. Bonnie Henry*

## 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 HSBC, National or RBC).

**E-Transfer** – See your financial institution for details

**Cheque or Cash** – through mail slot at the office. Cheques can also be mailed - please do not mail cash.

## 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](mailto:admin@dbid.ca)  
Thank you to those who have already responded.

## Deep Bay Fire Hall Project

October 2020 Update:

- The steel building construction is complete and finished ahead of schedule.
- Underground services are being installed next and then the concrete slabs will be poured.
- Please note that the construction area is a closed site due to safety regulations.

### How do you compare?

Some comparison numbers for this invoice period:

3% of all households used no water

31% of all households used less than 40 m<sup>3</sup>

27% of all households used between 40 and 74 m<sup>3</sup>

12% of all households used between 75 and 100 m<sup>3</sup>

27% of all households used over 100 m<sup>3</sup>

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

#### REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

OCTOBER 21, 2020

NOVEMBER 18, 2020

DECEMBER 16, 2020

#### FOR HEALTH REASONS, ALL MEETINGS REMAIN CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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 permits required until October 15<sup>th</sup>!**

**Confirm...before you burn!** Check Environment Canada's daily ventilation index for Central Vancouver Island to confirm if burning is permitted. Outdoor burning is restricted when the index is POOR or FAIR.

**Venting Index must be GOOD on the day you burn as per DBID Bylaw No. 223.**

Be considerate of your neighbours when burning so you don't impact their daily routine or health. Burn materials hot, infrequently and ONLY when venting permits so the smoke goes straight up.

Venting index information available at:

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/epdpa/venting/venting.html> or call 1-888-281-2992

### Drips & Drops..

- ◆ **2021 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 are due Feb. 28, 2021).
- ◆ **Assessment Notices** will be mailed out in November. These notices will tell you how your property has been classified per DBID Assessment Bylaw No. 220.
- ◆ **Flushing** will be taking place in early-mid October. Water users may notice some fluctuation of pressure during this time.

### Deep Bay Fire/Rescue Society

- ☛ **Bottle drive update:** the Society has been sorting and returning empties in batches, after suitable quarantine periods. The last three sorts have brought in **\$9257.40!**
- ☛ **No Early Bottle Drop Off** – Residents are reminded that they must hang onto their empty bottles until the next bottle drive pick-up (scheduled for October 17). **Due to construction and COVID-19 health concerns, empty bottles and cans cannot be dropped off at the fire hall.**

Check DBFRS Facebook for more

