



# Town Log

## May 2021



### Mayor's Message

*Coming off the heels of National Volunteer's Week, the Town would like to express their appreciation for everything our volunteers do for our community. Each one of you serves in a different capacity, meeting needs and bringing value to so many areas of our lives. Thank you for the countless hours you dedicate to making Port McNeill an amazing place to call home!*

*Mayor Gaby Wickstrom*

*Thank you!*

### Meetings in May

#### Regular Meeting of Council

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00pm

Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 7:00pm

#### Harbour Advisory Group

Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 7:00pm

#### Tourism Advisory Committee

Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 6:30pm

All meetings are open to the public.

Occasionally meeting dates and times may change due to other events.

Watch for meeting zoom links on our Town website and Facebook page.



### Town Office Hours

**OPEN:** 9:00am - 5:00pm, Monday to Friday - 250-956-3111

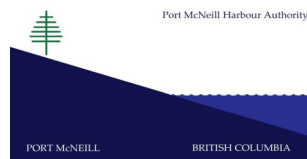
**CLOSED:** May 24, 2021—Victoria Day

For Public Works emergencies after hours call 250-956-4521

### Harbour Office & Info Center Hours

**OPEN:** 9:00am - 5:00pm, 7 days a week - 250-956-3881

For Harbour emergencies after hours call 250-974-8499



 SCHOLASTIC

## Virtual Book Fair

### Virtual Book Fair presented by Sunset Elementary!

Sunset is hosting a virtual Scholastic Book Fair May 2nd through May 15th, 2021. If you shop on May 5th or 12th between 6p.m. and 8p.m., there is free shipping regardless of amount spent. All proceeds go towards book purchases at Sunset Elementary. For more information contact Joanne Olson via email:

[Jolson@sd85.bc.ca](mailto:Jolson@sd85.bc.ca)

<https://virtualbookfair.scholastic.ca/pages/5159506>  
Please note, the event will not start until May 2nd, 2021.



### 2021 Home Owner Grants

There have been changes to the Home Owner Grant process.

Residents no longer apply for the home owner grant through the municipal office. Everyone must now apply directly to the province using a new online or telephone system.

Wait to apply for the home owner grant until you receive your property tax notice. **You will need your social insurance number and tax notice in order to claim the home owner grant.** Look for instructions on your property tax notice.

For more information visit [www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) or call 1-888-355-2700. Please remember that you must apply each year for the Home Owner Grant (if you are eligible).



### Property Tax Notices

Property tax notices are typically mailed mid to late May. If you do not receive yours by mid June, please contact the Town Office as some title changes do not have PO Box #'s included.

The due date for payment of property taxes is July 2, 2021. Keep in mind that the Town Office is closed Thursday, July 01, 2021 for Canada Day.

You may pay property taxes by cash, cheque and credit card or if you bank with CIBC or CCCU you can pay your property taxes online in the bill payments section using your roll number on your tax notice as your account number. Contact the Town Office if you need assistance 250-956-3111.



### May - Garbage & Recycling Schedule

Wednesday, May 5, 2021 - Recycling Pick-up

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 - Garbage Pick-up

Wednesday, May 19, 2021 - Recycling Pick-up

Wednesday, May 26, 2021 - Garbage Pick-up



**FOX'S DISPOSAL**  
Serving the North Island since 1970.

For information regarding garbage and recycling pick-up please call Fox's Disposal at 250-949-6306 or email [foxsdisposal@shaw.ca](mailto:foxsdisposal@shaw.ca)

2021 Census

Beginning May 03, 2021, Census workers will begin dropping off packages to every household that can be completed online or on paper. The Census provides valuable information when it comes to planning for schools, housing and health emergency services.



Public Reminder - Keep Pets Leashed In Town



The Town of Port McNeill office would like to remind pet owners to keep their pets leashed when travelling through town. Pets are welcomed to be off leash in the dog park located off Broughton boulevard, behind the Centennial Baseball Park.



Reminder from the Harbour Manager

As of May 1st, parking in lots A & B will be restricted to day use only, no overnights. Failure to comply will result in parking tickets, or removal from the lot by a local towing company. Parking can be paid for in the office during office hours, or at one of the 2 parking meters located on Broughton Boulevard. Additionally, annual passes can be acquired from the Harbour Office.



WildSafeBC Tips for Avoiding Bear Encounters

- Watch for bears signs like tracks, scat or over turned debris.
- Talk or sing to avoid surprising a bear. Bear bells are not recommended as they are not recognized as human.
- Be aware of your surroundings and do not use headphones in bear country.
- Manage your attractants and never put someone else at risk by leaving organics behind. Pack out what you pack in.
- Travel with another person, which will result in more noise and may help dissuade a bear from approaching.
- Carry bear spray and be able to access it quickly. Do not carry it in your pack or attached to your bike.



If heading to a provincial or federal park, check their websites for wildlife alerts or safety considerations. When travelling, check in with visitor centres to find out about local wildlife activity.



Mothers Day  
May 9, 2021



Victoria Day  
May 24, 2021

Tourism Advisory Committee Volunteer Positions Available

We are seeking interested individuals for 2 volunteering positions on the Tourism Advisory Committee. In coordination with a Council liaison and Town Staff, members will be making recommendations to council with respect to tourism marketing, Strategic Planning, an stakeholder consultation. For more information, or an application, please contact:

Shelley MacEachern, Receptionist, Email: [reception@portmcneill.ca](mailto:reception@portmcneill.ca)  
Mail: **Box 728, Port McNeill, BC V0N 2R0** Phone: **250-956-3111**  
Or come visit us at 1775 Furney Place, Port McNeill, BC

All Applications and inquiries will be treated in strict confidence.  
We thank all applicants for their interest.



Fire Department Recruiting

The Port McNeill Volunteer Fire Department is actively recruiting for new members.

If you're interested in joining or have any questions regarding joining the Fire & Rescue department, call 250-956-4516 or email [firechief@portmcneill.ca](mailto:firechief@portmcneill.ca)



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	SA 2224	2.3	7.5		DI 2141	2.5	8.2				
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	SU 1831	3.7	12.1		MO 1749	3.5	11.5				
	DI 2335	2.5	8.2		LU 2235	2.6	8.5				
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	MO 1950	3.7	12.1		TU 1853	3.5	11.5				
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