



## **Village of Lytton Update**

December 13, 2021

### **DO NOT CONSUME (DNC) ADVISORY RESCINDED**

**Interior Health Authority (IHA) has reached an agreement to remove the Do Not Consume (DNC) Advisory from the section of the water distribution system supplying the east portion of the Village of Lytton, as well as homes on IR#17 and IR#18.**

A review of the comprehensive and bacteriological sample results support rescinding the DNC Advisory. The Village of Lytton will continue to closely monitor the source and distribution water quality. The Village will immediately conduct additional sampling if there are any indications of changes in the source or distribution system water quality and notify IHA.

### **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – DECEMBER 15 AT 7 P.M.**

Please be advised that Mayor Polderman, as per Council Procedures Bylaw and s 126 CC, is calling a Special Council Meeting for Wednesday, December 15 at 7 p.m. for the purposes of dealing with timely Council business.

The agenda and meeting link will be provided tomorrow at <https://lytton.ca/>.

### **DEC. 9 COMMUNITY MEETING RECORDING NOW AVAILABLE**

On Thursday, the Village of Lytton hosted a second Community Meeting to discuss the Short-Term Recovery Plan and the next steps for the Community Recovery Planning process. Questions that were not answered at the meeting will be answered as soon as possible and posted to [lytton.ca](https://lytton.ca).

A recording of the meeting is now available online: <https://youtu.be/oEAORn3TVdA>.

**SAVE THE DATE: The next Community Meeting will be on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 7 p.m.** More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

## **EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Village of Lytton is currently seeking to fill a number of roles, including:

- Economic Development Officer
- Administrative Support
- Communications Support
- Unmet Needs Committee Members (volunteer)

We strongly encourage members of the local and surrounding communities to apply. Learn more about the positions and the application process: <https://lytton.ca/government/volunteer-employment-opportunities/>.

## **2021 PROPERTY TAX NOTICES**

The 2021 Property Tax Notices were mailed out to residents last week. Property owners have until June 30, 2022 to pay their property taxes. If you'd like to request an emailed copy of your Property Tax Notice, please email [finance@lytton.ca](mailto:finance@lytton.ca).

## **APPLY FOR THE B.C. HOME OWNER GRANT**

For support paying 2021 property taxes, the Village encourages residents to apply for the B.C. Home Owner Grant. The Home Owner Grant reduces the amount of property tax you pay for your principal residence. It is our understanding that residents have until Dec. 31, 2022 to apply for the 2021 Home Owner Grant. Learn more:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/home-owner-grant>

## **CHANGES TO 2021 UTILITY FEES**

On December 8, 2021, Council resolved to waive the enforcement of the Utility Fees and Charges Bylaw #696, 2018, and direct staff to use funds from the donations received to cover 100% of the costs of the water and sewer utilities from July 1 to Dec 31-2021 to include properties where structures were lost or those that are uninhabitable, and that 85% of the Water fee charges for the period of July 1, to December 31, 2021 for the Loring and Ponderosa residents be invoiced with 15% of the Water Fees to be covered by donations.

## **LYTTON BUSINESS WILDFIRE IMPACT REPORT**

Five months after beginning work with Lytton businesses, Community Futures Sun Country is releasing its report on the impacts to business from the wildfire. Forty-four Lytton business owners answered the call for information about how their businesses were impacted and what their immediate and future needs were. Notably, 77% of businesses interviewed experienced at least partial revenue loss, 66% lost physical items in the fire (buildings, equipment, supplies etc.) and twenty-five of forty-four businesses did not have insurance. For the full report visit [https://www.cfsun.ca/news\\_events/#latest\\_news](https://www.cfsun.ca/news_events/#latest_news).

## **LYTTON RESILIENCY CENTRE**

The Lytton Resiliency Centre is open to support evacuees and area residents. The Centre is located in the old art room at the Kumsheen ShchEma-meet School, at 365 Trans-Canada Highway in Lytton, BC. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and open until 6 p.m. on Wednesdays.

The Resiliency Centre will provide valuable resources (in-person and virtual) for area residents, including a business centre, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and representatives from the insurance industry. Note that it may take several days for all supplies and resources to arrive at the Resiliency Centre given current conditions, but they are on their way!

## **UPDATE ON TUCKKWIOWHUM GAS CARDS**

We understand that many residents still have their gas cards donated by CN, which are set to expire December 31, 2021. Due to the road closures many residents have been unable to use them, so CN has extended the deadline. Anyone with an unused gas voucher can go to the Tuckkwiowhum Gas Bar to redeem the voucher up to April 1, 2022. If you encounter any issues, please email [lyttonrelief@cn.ca](mailto:lyttonrelief@cn.ca).

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Contact [communication@lytton.ca](mailto:communication@lytton.ca) or 778-254-5004 if you have any additional questions or concerns. Residents who would like to receive email updates directly from the Village of Lytton are encouraged to sign up here: <https://forms.gle/Cw8wdRDqJzRNnCKZ6>.