

MAYOR'S REPORT

December, 2022



On behalf of myself and members of Council, we would like to wish you all the best during the holiday season. As we begin to gather again for celebrations it feels a little more normal, so to speak, from the previous 3 festive seasons.

Members of Council are getting acquainted with their new appointments and reporting back on their participation on various outside organizations.

With the visit of the Japanese delegation over the summer, plans are underway to garner interest for a return visit next summer. If you are interested in this exchange educational opportunity for your children, or as an Adult supervisor, please contact the Town Office with your contact information. The Ohtaki Committee will be reestablished in the New Year to begin planning for that visit.

Discussions have begun on how to minimize wildlife encounters within our waste stream, and ideas have been brought forward and will be considered during budget deliberations. Impacts on this year's budget will be from increases in tipping fees through the CVRD and the newly approved Regional Recreation Function which passed in a Referendum question posed during this year's election.

We would encourage residents to sign up to the Town of Lake Cowichan Email List to stay updated on water restrictions, service interruptions and other information found on the Town's website under the Services Tab, Application Forms.

There has been a rash of motor vehicle accidents involving Elk along Highway 18, and a number of residents have requested something be implemented to limit these crashes. We will look into setting up a meeting with the appropriate Ministries to do more to address these crashes before another fatality occurs. A public meeting was suggested, and may be scheduled once all information and appropriate people have been approached.

Once again, wishing all the very best during the festive season.

Tim McGonigle Mayor Lake Cowichan



A submission to Town's photo contest in 2009 PHOTO CREDIT: UNKNOWN



