

Maple Ridge This Month

MID MONTH JULY 2019

INVOLVED: Party in the Park

Celebrate Canada Day on Monday July 1, 2019

The Canada Day celebrations start at 12:30 pm with the protocol event, singing of the National Anthem and the cutting of the Canada Day cake. Then the music starts! This year the bands include The Matinee, The Odds and Taylor James with special guest Joanie Bye pumping out the great music from the Main Stage in front of The ACT. There's great home grown Maple Ridge talent on the Community Star Stage where you'll also catch the multicultural fashion show. The Family Stage is dedicated to entertaining our young citizens (and the young at heart).

The celebration also includes the Haney Farmers Market, and artisan market, water spray and play area, food trucks, pony rides, roving street performers, games and a community BBQ. As the day wraps up at 6:00 pm gaze up into the sky for a special Canada Day flyby and join in the singalong as we wish Canada a Happy birthday.

Go to www.mapleridge.ca/1744 for information on the 'Party in the Park.'



INFORMED: Tax Time

Final Deadline is Tuesday, July 2.

Claim Your Home Owner Grant Online

Your 2019 property taxes are due by midnight on Tuesday, July 2, 2018. The most important message we can highlight is that you can claim your Home Owner Grant online, which opens up many alternatives to paying in person at City Hall.

Claim your Home Owner Grant online at mapleridge.ca by clicking on eServices. Select 'Home Owner Grant Application' and follow the instructions to claim your grant. You can also set up a 'MyCity' account which gives you 24/7 access to your tax information with an option for you to sign up for paperless tax notification as well as track your payment history. It's a great way to save time. Once you claim your Home Owner Grant you can pay the balance owing at most financial institutions either in person or by using online or telephone banking.

If you decide not to pay through your bank you have the option to drop off your Home Owner Grant and cheque at the secure drop box located at the west entrance of City Hall near the Economic Development Office as another way to avoid any line up. The box



is cleared daily and will be emptied at midnight on Tuesday, July 2, 2018. If you have any questions about your 2018 property tax notice please contact us at 604-467-7336.

INFORMED: Be Bear Aware

You Can Reduce Human/Animal Interactions

This time of year there are all kinds of creatures out and about foraging for food. Raccoons, coyotes, cougars and bears are out and about looking for food. As people have pointed out on social media. Some of our new suburban neighbourhoods in the forest interface overlap the territories of the wildlife, and as the creatures at the top of the food chain we have a responsibility to take the steps to reduce human and animal interactions.

You can help keep wildlife 'wild' by not setting out your garbage, organics or recycling bins early. The City's 'Wildlife and Vector Control Bylaw' states when your bins can go out and when they have to be back in?

Here's the facts. Bylaw No. 7437-2018 states receptacles are to be placed out no earlier than 5:00 am on collection day and are to be removed no later than 7:00 pm on collection day. Fines of \$200 may be issued for each occurrence.



Thank you for helping keep our community safe for creatures big and small. For more information visit www.mapleridge.ca/322.

INFORMED: July



Council Meeting Schedule

Mayor and Council encourage everyone to attend these important public meetings. It's your chance to see how public policy is debated and enacted.

Tuesday, July 2

1:30 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers
3:00 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room

Tuesday, July 9

1:30 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room
7:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

Tuesday, July 16

1:30 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers
3:00 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room
4:00 pm, Audit & Finance - Blaney Room
7:00 pm, Public Hearing - Council Chambers

Tuesday, July 23

1:30 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room
7:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

Agendas & Minutes

Agendas for these meetings are posted online the Friday before the meeting date. Go to mapleridge.ca, click the link under Your Council on the home page.

Council Meeting Videos

If you are unable to attend a Council Meeting or Public Hearing meeting you can now watch these meetings on your computer 24/7. The entire unedited meetings are posted two to three days after the meeting. The video is indexed to the agenda package so that you can watch them in their entirety or click through by agenda item. Go to mapleridge.ca and click on the video link at the centre of the home page. In addition, Council meetings are now broadcast on the internet via live streaming using the same technology used for our live budget Q&A sessions. For more information about the live stream go to the 'Council Meetings' page at mapleridge.ca/640.

INFORMED:

Canada Day Hours

Monday, July 1 Holiday Hours

Municipal Hall: Closed
Maple Ridge Leisure Centre:
Open 8:30 am - 4:00 pm.
Greg Moore Youth Centre:
Open 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Fire Hall No. 1: Administrative
Office: Closed
RCMP Administrative Office:
Closed

