



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
JANUARY 2012**

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| WABA Finance Committee | 7:00pm | Wednesday | January 4 th | Durr |
| <u>TOWN COUNCIL MTG.</u> | 7:00pm | Tuesday | January 10 th | Sharp |
| <u>WABA BOARD MTG.</u> | 7:00pm | Thursday | January 12 th | Ryals |
| WABA Finance Committee | 7:00pm | Wednesday | January 18 th | TBD |
| <u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u> | 7:00pm | Thursday | January 19 th | Stratton |

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COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the December 15, 2011 meeting, the Council:

- Learned that the Bellevue Fire Department (BFD) will begin charging building-permit applicants for the plans review that the Fire Department performs as part of the permit-review process. The change is part of the Town's new contract with the BFD; in previous contracts, the cost of providing these reviews was included in the Town's overall fire-protection service fees. The new method means that users of the BFD's plan-review services will pay for those services instead of all taxpayers carrying the burden. When the cost of these reviews is known, we will update the website to include the information permit applicants need.
- Passed Ordinance No. 391 amending the 2011 Budget. The amendments were needed because bids to perform the work on 108th ROW Improvement Project came in higher than anticipated.
- Passed Ordinance No. 392 adopting a Budget for 2012.
- Passed Ordinance No. 393 adopting the Beaux Arts Village Municipal Code. This completes an effort started by the Council more than 15 years ago and has produced a user-friendly format of the Town's active ordinances that is consistent with the format used in other municipalities. With the next website update, visitors will be able to access a searchable form of the BAV MC to research the rules and regulations of the Town, instead of having to read one or more ordinances.
- Discussed the Town's process and fees for handling Shoreline Substantial Development Permits. Based on these discussions, the Council has decided that instead of instituting an upfront fee or deposit requirement, the Town will offer more information about the shoreline-permitting process and anticipated costs to the applicant. The Town will also provide more frequent billings so that applicants know what costs have been charged against the permit in a timely manner.

THANKS TO COUNCILMEMBER STEVE EULAU: The Council expresses its sincere thanks to outgoing Councilmember Steve Eulau. During his four years of service, Councilmember Eulau took on the task of preparing the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, including submitting the plan to the State and receiving their approval. In addition, he worked to put together teams to implement the plan and to collect equipment to support the teams. Next time you see Steve, please take a moment to add your thanks. Without the effort of many volunteers, Beaux Arts Village would not be the special place that it is.

WELCOME TO NEW COUNCILMEMBER JOHN GILLEM: The newest member of the Town Council, John Gillem, will be sworn in at the January Council meeting and will take Steve Eulau's seat at the Council table. Thanks John for your willingness to serve!

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, January 10, 2012** at Aaron Sharp's house.

PLANNING COMMISSIONER NEEDED: The Town's Planning Commission is looking for a resident to replace Scott Harpster immediately, whose term has expired. Interested parties may contact Mayor Leider.

REMINDER -- PLANT DONATIONS SOUGHT FOR THE 108th AVENUE WALKING PATH: A reminder that, to further enhance the area around the new 108th Ave SE Walking Path, the Town would like to increase the number of native plantings around the drainage swale. If you have native shrubs or ground cover in your yard that you would be willing to share, please contact Councilmember Stowe at tstowe@beauxarts-wa.gov.

NEW INPUT NEEDED: The Council plans to discuss options for calming traffic and reducing speeding throughout the Village. If you have ideas to offer, suggestions to make, and/or comments about problem areas, please plan either to attend the January Council meeting or to submit your written comments to Clerk-Treasurer Spens at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov no later than January 5th.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING AT TRANSFER CENTERS: Beginning February 1, 2012, King County is eliminating the collection of standard curbside recyclables at the Cedar Falls, Enumclaw, Houghton, Renton, and Shoreline transfer stations. These include: glass bottles and jars, tin and aluminum cans, plastic bottles, mixed paper, newspaper, and cardboard. Providing this service at the transfer stations cost solid waste rate payers \$400,000 each year. Collecting these materials at the transfer stations is duplicating a service that is available to 99 percent of King County residents through their curbside garbage collection which includes, at no extra cost, the collection of recyclables. Extra material that does not fit in your bin can be placed curbside in clearly marked containers, also at no extra cost. By subscribing to curbside collection you are also helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by reducing individual trips to the transfer stations. Thank you for doing your part. For more information, see: <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste>.

SOUND TRANSIT: Sound Transit's latest quarterly ridership report follows. If anyone is interested in receiving an email when these are published, it's easy to sign up. It's a simple 2 page document that clearly lays out ridership trends on Sound Transit services over the past 3 years. See Matt Leber with any questions. <http://www.soundtransit.org/Rider-Community/Rider-news/Quarterly-Ridership-Report.xml>

WABA BOARD MEETING: WABA Board meetings are usually held the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. The next meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, January 12, 2012 at the Ryals'.

WABA FINANCE COMMITTEE: The Finance Committee will be meeting every other Wednesday at 7:00PM. Due to the holidays, the December meetings were CANCELED. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at the Durr residence.

CHRISTMAS SHIP: THANK YOU to all residents and their guests that attended the annual Beaux Arts Christmas Ship Bonfire on December 3rd. Christmas carols were sung, and thank you to Lynn Laws who provided hot chocolate! Thank you especially to Forrest Kulp, Aaron Sharp and Scott Harpster who built and tended those amazing bonfires!

ANNUAL COOKIE EXCHANGE / LADIES HOLIDAY SOCIAL: THANK YOU to Terry Dempster for hosting the Women's Holiday Social on December 12th, and to Lynn Laws for volunteering to take on the Cookie Exchange Coordinator role!

PETS FOUND: THANK YOU to all residents that assisted or were concerned about missing pets last month. Molbak's were reunited with their bunny, and Donoghue's were reunited with their dog.

BEACH MASTER REPORT: Thank you to Shep Griswold and Chandler Sharp, for splitting firewood for the firepits at the beach!

DOCKMASTER REPORT: There continues to be a wait list for year-round water-ski size slips, there are several vacant slips in the marina. There are 30 foot, 40 foot, and seasonal slips available. In addition, there are vacant spaces on the platform and racks for smaller vessels. Please think ahead to the summer boating season and let me know if you are interested in a slip. – Dock Master Bernard van de Kamp

WINTER DINNER: Save the Date! The Winter Dinner will take place on the evening of **Saturday, February 4, 2012 at Maggiano's**. Invitations and meeting details will be mailed in January. We do need volunteers to help plan this annual members meeting. See Becky Ryals if you'd like to assist with the planning. Photos are also being sought for the slideshow; please send to Janet Griswold.

TOWN BUILDING NEWS- There were no permits issued in December by the Building Dept.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

Contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.

Email: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 454-8580

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

Contact Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp if you have questions or submissions for this newsletter, building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner.

Email: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 269-6985

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

To report Block Watch concerns, contact:

Town Marshal Walter Scott: (425) 454-2573

Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster: (425) 746-0757

NEED TO CONTACT WABA?

WABA Members may contact WABA Clerk Kristin Mange for any concerns or questions you have about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the beach or its reservations, parking stickers, green book, WABA social events or issues before the Board of Trustees.

Email: wabaclerk@gmail.com

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