



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
JANUARY 2016**

WABA Board Meeting	<i>Tuesday</i>	7:00pm	<i>January 5th</i>	Donoghue
Town Council	<i>2nd Tuesday</i>	7:00pm	<i>January 12th</i>	Hillberg
Planning Commission	<i>3rd Thursday</i>	7:00pm	<i>January 21st</i>	Dix

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

- Discussed an opportunity to upgrade street lights in Beaux Arts Village to LED bulbs via a grant sponsored by Puget Sound Energy through the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board. The Council will not make a decision until they have observed other LED street lights in place, because of concerns about the extreme brightness and whiteness of typical LED light sources.
- Heard more details about a proposed Golf Cart Zone for the Town that would allow residents to use golf carts as transportation within Town boundaries. The Council hopes to review a draft ordinance at the January meeting. Discussion will focus on issues of equipment safety, safe operation, cart parking, how to enforce rules, etc.
- Passed Ordinance No. 420 adopting the 2016 Budget.
- Learned the status of ongoing discussions with the City of Bellevue and Sound Transit regarding the impact of the Link Light Rail project on traffic patterns through Beaux Arts and mitigating those impacts, including the best methods for calming increased traffic through our neighborhood. Mayor Leider has asked the Council to consider hiring a traffic specialist to review 108th Ave SE and the 104th/105th Ave SE corridors to help with this challenge and will recommend one or more firms that specialize in this type of work.
- Began considering options for eliminating the problem of large trucks using private driveways to turn around at the north end of 107th Ave SE and similar dead-end streets.
- Reviewed the draft charter for a Revenue Enhancement Review Committee to study new sources of revenue for the Town. The charter includes the committee’s mission and objectives, responsibilities, timing expectations and deliverables, and will consist of six residents. Mayor Leider anticipates that this committee will study the issue for several months and present their suggestions to the Council within the next year.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:00pm on **Tuesday, January 12, 2016** at Mike Hillberg’s house.

ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON CITIES: Get involved! Recruitments are open for boards and commissions. Are you looking to make a difference on a statewide board or committee? Recruitment for the following state boards and commissions will close January 15:

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| * Public Works Board | * Transportation Improvement Board |
| * Commute Trip Reduction Board | * Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council |
| * Archives Oversight Committee | * State Building Code Council |
| * Affordable Housing Advisory Board | |

Learn what each of these groups does and how you can get involved. More details at:

<http://www.awcnet.org/AboutUs/Getinvolved.aspx> or Association of Washington Cities, 1076 Franklin Street SE, Olympia, WA 98501-1346, 360-753-4137, 1-800-562-8981, fax: 360-753-0149

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIPS: With winter upon us and many stories in the news talking about emergencies, there's no time like the present to make sure your family is prepared for whatever emergency may arise. The King County website <http://www.kingcounty.gov/safety/prepare.aspx> has lots of Emergency Preparedness tips, and weblinks for programs available including these: <http://takewinterbystorm.org/> and <http://makeitthrough.org/>. You may also find the WSDOT reminder below helpful for winter travel. For any other emergency preparedness questions for the Town or your home, please contact Councilmember Cynthia Hudson.

FACTORIA TRANSFER STATION: Replacement Project! Good weather this past summer and fall, and the efforts of a dedicated construction team have kept this King County Solid Waste project to replace the Factoria Transfer station on-time and under budget. In mid- April 2016, transfer station customers will be able to drop off garbage and household hazardous waste in the new transfer building. However, construction will continue through December 2017 as the old transfer building is deconstructed and the rest of the new station is built. When completed, the new facility will offer recycling services for yard waste, clean wood, appliances, scrap metal and other materials, and an improved area for household hazardous waste collection.

Work Accomplished through November 2015

- Constructed a 1.1 million-gallon underground stormwater detention vault
- Completed concrete construction and steel framing of the new transfer building and the maintenance and operations area
- Constructed retaining walls along the west and on the northeast sides of the site
- Relocated high voltage power lines on SE 32nd Street
- Replacement of the sewer main on SE 30th Street is nearly done
- Concrete paving north of new station is nearly done

Upcoming Work December 2015 – March 2016

These activities are not expected to impact customers or nearby businesses or neighbors

- Complete sewer main replacement on SE 30th Street
- Install a stormwater pipe connection on SE 30th Street
- Provide utility services (gas, power, water, and sewer) to the site
- Install communication and internet cables along SE 32nd Street
- Coat the structural steel and concrete
- Add siding to the new transfer and administration buildings
- Complete the roofing and interior finishes of buildings
- Install skylights and translucent wall panels that will increase natural daylight inside the building
- Construct temporary access roads between the scale house and the new transfer building

Construction work hours: Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

All work hours and associated noise will conform to Bellevue City Code, permit requirements, and noise regulations. Construction work will sometimes occur at other times in order to reduce impacts to customers and site operations. Such work will be done with the City of Bellevue's approval.

For more information, visit your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/factoria-replacement-project.asp

MARSHAL REPORT: Just a heads up, we can't let our guard down. Thieves often target quiet residential neighborhoods this time of year expecting people to be out of town, or with new items after Christmas they can target for quick cash/re-sell/returns. Unfortunately, these thieves do canvas our streets on foot and by car, often working in teams looking for their next target.

Just this week here on Tuesday morning about 9am, two neighbors encountered and confronted a man prowling their yards on upper SE 29th St. near 108th. The man took off, and police were called to search the area. Wednesday night police were called responding to a home alarm set off by a basement window on 107th Ave. SE.

Let's remember to be vigilant and not entice prowlers. We can do that best by having changes occur regularly which contribute to making our homes looked "lived in." Consider the following to assist you:

- Remember to *flatten* your boxes inside your recycling bin, or *fold* them flat, inside out, and wait to put them out until pick up day. This is easier for the recyclers to pick up, it saves space, and it draws less attention to thieves determining their next target.
- The same goes for items being picked up for charity – the longer they sit there, the more they're advertising you may be replacing items with newer ones inside. Then remember to have your recycle/garbage cans removed from the street ASAP so thieves don't start thinking you're out of town.
- Keep your mail and papers picked up – or ask a neighbor for help to do so, when you're not able or when you're out of town so you're not advertising you're gone or vulnerable.
- Time package arrivals for signing required, pulling inside, or consider delivering to your office, or an Amazon Locker. (There is now a new Amazon Locker service in the parking level of downtown Bellevue Safeway named "Beryl"). Packages sitting on doorsteps are often targets for thieves, which spikes around the holidays.
- Keep your lights on timers, and have them alternate or change frequently if you're gone. Consider doing the same for a TV or radio – anything that contributes to making it look like someone is home when you are not. Your neighbors can help you with this, if you ask and they know you'll be gone!
- If you have video surveillance, consider using it and going through the date(s)/times of suspects in the area to see if your cameras caught anything that would be useful to law enforcement – even if you weren't the target.
- Take down your holiday decorations within a couple of weeks after the holiday; if they're up for a very long time, thieves may consider you're gone, and therefore a target.
- License and photos help law enforcement, but be careful about over-zealous profiling; your neighbor could have an out-of-town visitor or a delivery, neither might be familiar with our area!
- If you witness something suspicious, contact the police or Sheriff's office with license plate numbers, descriptions or photos if appropriate. Our Marshals Walter Scott and Scott Harpster may also be able to assist, or get the word out with the Deputy Clerk's assistance.

December activity in the Beaux Arts / Enatai area includes the following:

- King County Sheriff's office reports the following crimes occurred per their map: <https://www.crimereports.com/>
- Bellevue Police department reports the following crimes occurred in per Bellevue's Crime map: <http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue> or <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue>

- NextDoor Enatai members report incidents around us every month. For complete details, residents in the area may log in with a password to the local blog at:
<https://enataisurreydowns.nextdoor.com/login/>.

PARKING: Reminder, the Council updated our Town's Parking Regulations this last fall, and the new changes have gone into effect including violation enforcements. For a link to the new ordinance and the list of changes included, please see the "What's New" page on the Town's website at:
http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/whats_new.htm.

PET LICENSING: Our contract with Regional Animal Services of King County (RASKC) for animal services balances the allocated costs of the service against the number of pet licenses we sell each year. For the last several years, the credit from our pet-license sales has exceeded our allocated cost. However, this year, our pet-license sales are running a below the typical number, and unless Beaux Arts sells 4 to 5 more pet licenses, the Town will owe money to the county for these services. The cost to the Town for providing these services is small, and since we have been able to cover it with license sales in the past, we hope to continue doing so. Perhaps someone has forgotten to renew a license? Or a new family didn't know that pet licenses are required in Beaux Arts / King County and how to get one?

The Town does not receive any revenue from this program. Rather, RASKC uses license fees to provide animal care and control services for lost and abandoned pets and to offer quality shelter care to homeless pets until they can be adopted into a "forever home." Of course, there are direct benefits to pet owners who license their pets, the most important of which is RASKC's help in reuniting owners with their (licensed) lost pets. If you have questions about Regional Animal Services of King County, including licensing rules, pet adoptions, and other special programs, please visit
<http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/regional-animal-services.aspx>. To purchase a license online, please visit <http://blue.kingcounty.gov/exec/recordslicensing/petlicenses/>.

REPUBLIC SERVICES, RECYCLING REMINDER: Did you know? In cold weather when garbage, yardwaste and (especially) recycle carts are left outside, contents can freeze and cannot be dislodged by the driver. When people come home and see that their cart is only half empty, know that we were there, but could not release the "recycle-cycle"! Storing carts in a warmer location and minimizing liquids inside can assist with this problem. Luckily we usually have milder winters here! If you have further questions, please contact Republic at (425) 646-2541 or
<http://www.republicservices.com/residents>.

SOUND TRANSIT UPDATE: Construction is right around the corner! East Link is gradually transitioning from final design into construction. The project will be built in segments, and to maximize efficiency, construction start dates for the different segments will vary across the project. As the project continues toward construction, alerts and updates will also be available on an area-specific basis. The current construction schedule is below and is subject to change as construction contracts are awarded.

*Downtown Bellevue: early 2016

- Tunnel construction is scheduled to begin in early 2016 while the remainder of downtown Bellevue construction will begin in mid-2017

*Overlake: mid-2016

*South Bellevue: late 2016

*Bel-Red: early 2017

*I-90: mid-2017

The conversation about the future of mass transit in our region took a big step in December with the release of detailed studies for all the projects that could be part of a ST3 ballot measure next November. Sound Transit released details of the ST3 candidate projects, including cost and ridership estimates for each project along with other decision factors such as opportunities for transit-oriented development and non-motorized access options. The Sound Transit Board identified the candidate projects last summer following a broad public involvement period. The Board focused on priorities for expanding regional transit services as the region's population grows by a million people in the next 25 years.

Over the coming months, the studies will inform work by the Sound Transit Board to further narrow in on priorities and discuss the funding and size of a ballot measure. Stay tuned for details on how to provide input on a draft package the Board expects to release in March. Input next spring will shape a final measure planned for voter consideration in November 2016. Check out the study results through the [interactive map and full list of projects](#), where you'll find more information including summaries [comparing options](#) for specific corridors. Visit the [document archive](#) for information about funding ST3, including Sound Transit's cost methodology and track record of constructing projects on time and within budget. <http://www.soundtransit.org/Projects-and-Plans>

THANK YOU, LADIES CHRISTMAS SOCIAL: Thank you to Trisha Gillem for hosting this year's Christmas Social for all village ladies. This year we included all young ladies 8 years and up in addition to the adults. Thank you to those that came to socialize, consume snacks and cookies, and toast their beverages! We even had a few ladies exchanging cookies like in years past. If you are interested in hosting this December social next year, please see Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp or Trisha Gillem.

TOWN BUILDING NEWS: All necessary permits were issued by the Building Dept. in December:
2855 – 103rd Ave. SE Furnace
10402 SE 29th St. Re-Roof

Please remember contact Deputy Clerk Kulp if you have any building concerns or questions, or to double-check if you need a permit. Most work in Beaux Arts usually needs a permit. If you needed a permit and failed to obtain one, there will be code enforcement with penalties. You can find answers to most your questions at http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg_dept.htm or call the Deputy Clerk 425-269-6985. Thank you.

TRAILERS: Reminder to all residents, all trailers are not to be visible from the road and should be screened. For complete details, see the Municipal Code Section 10.10 Parking, under the Traffic Code at <http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BeauxArts/>, also linked through the Town's website Building Dept. page at http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg_dept.htm. Any violations will be receiving code enforcement letters soon.

TREE RECYCLING: BOY SCOUT TROOP 600, BELLEVUE – It's not too late!
20th Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Drive & Fundraiser; Minimum Donation: \$15 per Tree
Schedule a pickup:

- Email before December 30, 2015 for pickup on January 9, 2016
- Trees must be in West Bellevue pick up area only: West of I-405, North of I-90 & South of SR-520, plus Medina, Hunts and Yarrow Points <http://www.recyclemytree.org/areamap.htm>
- Make checks payable to "Boy Scout Troop 600"
- Attach the provided "Tree Tag" and place the tree on the curb near the street before 8am on Saturday,

January 9, 2016.

Or drop off your tree:

- **Saturday, January 9, 2016**

- **Clyde Hill Elementary School, 9601 NE 24th Street**

- 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

- \$15 suggested donation for Drop Off trees

Sorry, no flocked trees or tinsel as these cannot be recycled.

Boy Scout Troop 600 of Bellevue WA's <http://recyclemytree.org/>

Boy Scout Troop 600 of Bellevue WA provides Christmas Tree recycling each year in Bellevue.

WSDOT REMINDER: With the holidays and winter fast approaching, we want to remind drivers to *be prepared for snow and ice before the next storm hits*. Even mild winters can have sudden, severe storms so it's always better to be plan ahead and "know before you go." We have several tools to help with winter conditions and to allow you to make safe travel choices:

- Check our [best times to travel charts](#) for the upcoming holiday
- Download our [mobile app](#) visit [our website](#) for travel alerts
- Follow us on [Twitter](#) / [Facebook](#) or sign up for [email alerts](#) about traffic, road and pass conditions
- Pre-program your vehicle radio to 530 AM & 1610 AM or call 511 for highway advisory radio alerts
- Get prepared for your trip with [winter driving tips](#) and by [packing your car kit](#)

To combat heavy traffic, leave extra time, drive safely and keep warm. For more information about winter driving and holiday traffic, [visit our blog](#).

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

BOARD MEETING: The next meeting of the WABA Trustees will be at 7:00pm on **Tuesday, January 5th** at the Donoghue residence. Note this meeting deviates from the usual 1st Thursday to accommodate a quorum.

BEACHMASTER REPORT: Water has been turned off and restrooms closed due to freezing weather. Please contact Forrest Kulp with any other questions or concerns about the beach.

CHRISTMAS SHIP & HOLIDAY BONFIRE: *Thank you* to everyone who came to either or both of the bonfires and enjoyed the Christmas ships. There was an impressive turnout on both dates! Thank you again to Aaron and Chandler Sharp for managing the fires, and to Amy Nassisi for the hot chocolate during the Tuesday performance!

DOCKMASTER REPORT: The moorage bills for 2016 will be mailed out in early January. For those of you that have boat moorage or have canoes/kayaks stored at the docks – please look for your bill in the mail. The moorage payment along with the certification of insurance coverage and boat registration information is due by February 29th, 2016. There is a late penalty of \$30 plus \$2.00/day for any payments made after the due date. Getting the payment and other information sent in early will help ensure that you don't incur late payment penalties and will save the dockmaster the time and hassle of following up to collect payment. All of the boat slips are full and there continues to be wait lists for all size slips. If you haven't used your boat much and don't plan to use your boat in the next year, consider vacating your slip for your neighbors on the waiting list. If you plan to give up your slip please contact Dockmaster Jay Jacobsen right away before the annual moorage bills are distributed! Thank you!

GREENBOOK UPDATES: The residents' directory is always available to download and print from the WABA website (www.waba1908.com) in 'Member Resources' in the Greenbook section after you've logged into the website. The directory and residence map are updated regularly. If you would like a hard copy, please contact the WABA Clerk.

HISTORY COMMITTEE REPORT: No report at this time. If you are interested in learning more or participating in managing WABA's historical archives, please contact Julia Morse.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The WABA Board Nominating Committee is still accepting volunteers and suggestions for nominees to WABA Trustee Amy Nassisi, which means we are in need of a new Membership Chair – this position is responsible in part for helping to coordinate WABA activities. Our current WABA secretary Susan Bogert has agreed to serve an additional term as trustee if nominated. If you're interested in serving on the committee or becoming a Trustee please contact the WABA Clerk, or any Board member.

SAVE THE DATE: The Summer Picnic will be on Saturday, July 23rd, 2016 with fun activities all day for the whole family.

WEBSITE: To log into the WABA website your email address must be on file with the WABA Clerk. Your email address is your username. To login, enter your email address and password. If you do not have a password or have forgotten yours, click on the 'forgot password' link and a new one will be emailed to you.

WINTER DINNER / BUSINESS MEETING: The **2016 Winter Dinner and Annual WABA Business Meeting** will be on **Saturday, January 23rd, 2016** in the Great Hall at St. Thomas. Invitations will be mailed in the next few days, please be on the lookout for them to arrive in your mailbox!

The draft of the proposed budget and proxy letters will be mailed out on or about 1/8/15. If you would like to help out with planning the Winter Dinner, table decorations, entertainment, or etc., please contact Amy Nassisi or the WABA Clerk.

WINTER DINNER SLIDESHOW: Are any of your photos this year taken in Beaux Arts at our annual events or at the beach? Remember to please send digital copies right away to Janet Griswold for the annual WABA Winter Dinner Slideshow! Anything received by early January can be included.

WOODLANDS REPORT: No report at this time. Please contact Julia Morse with any questions or concerns for the woodlands behind the beach, or to assist the volunteer Woodlands Committee.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

- Contact **Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens** if you have questions or concerns about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Dept.:
townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov or (425) 454-8580.
- Contact **Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp** if you have questions about the building department (including permits and variances), issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner, or this newsletter:

bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov or (425) 269-6985.

- To report **Block Watch** concerns, contact:

Town Marshal Walter Scott	(425) 454-2573
Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster	(425) 746-0757
KCSO Non-Emergency Line	(206) 296-3311
KCSO Capt. Greg Thomas greg.thomas@kingcounty.gov	(206) 423-1485
KCSO Deputy Bryan Hill bryan.hill@kingcounty.gov	(206) 423-6130

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 use (including reservations and parking stickers), the Green Book, WABA social events or issues before the WABA Board of Trustees:

wabaclerk@gmail.com, (425) 502-7382

(Mailing address: 10010 SE 28th Place, Beaux Arts, WA 98004. Web address: <http://waba1908.com/>)