



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
APRIL 2011**

TOWN COUNCIL	7:00pm	Tuesday	April 12 th	Hillberg
WABA BOARD	7:00pm	Wednesday	April 13 th	Miller
PLANNING COMMISSION	7:00pm	Thursday	April 21 st	Roberts
WABA Easter Egg Hunt	TBD	Saturday	April 23 rd	Beach
WABA Annual Beach/Woodlands Clean-up & Lunch:	8:00am-Noon	Saturday	April 30 th	Beach /Woodlnds

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Town Hall: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov Building Department: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov
Mayor: mayor@beauxarts-wa.gov Town Council: council@beauxarts-wa.gov

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the March 8, 2011 meeting, the Council:

- Approved a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit submitted by WABA to install eight boatlifts at various docks on the waterfront.
- Passed four ordinances related to the creation of a Hearing Examiner for Beaux Arts. Ordinance No. 382 creates the office of Hearing Examiner. Ordinance Nos. 383, 384, and 385 amend the language of the Zoning Code, Tree Code and Regulatory Reform Code respectively to reflect the change from a Board of Adjustment to a Hearing Examiner.
- Approved a request from Jim and Carrie Ellison to construct a concrete walkway along the east side of their garage that encroaches about 3 feet into the 104th Ave SE ROW and covers less than 10 sq. ft. of ROW.
- Adopted Resolution No. 268 adopting the 2011 Work Plan and Budget for ARCH – A Regional Coalition for Housing, which works to develop affordable housing on the Greater Eastside.
- Continued their discussion of a proposed ordinance to regulate commercial use of the paved and unpaved portions of the Town’s ROW’s.

In addition to these Council actions, Mayor Leider reported that he and Councilmember Hillberg had completed their interviews with candidates for the position of Town Arborist and will be making a decision and offering a contract for services in the coming weeks.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, April 12, 2011** at Mike Hillberg’s house.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT: Solicitors In Beaux Arts: As we move into spring, we often see an increase in door-to-door solicitation. Due to court rulings protecting 1st Amendment rights, municipalities cannot preclude such activity by prohibiting solicitors, but residents can still take action. If you do not wish to have solicitors come to your door, place one or more NO SOLICITING or NO TRESPASSING signs prominently at the entrance(s) to your home and on your property line. If a solicitor comes to your door despite your posting, ask them to leave

immediately and let them know you have the right to call the police and press “TRESPASS” charges on anyone ignoring your signs. Then, if they do not leave, please call 911 to report the problem.

TOWN ROW CLEANUP: Save the date! Come join your neighbors on **Saturday, May 14th**, for the Spring Town Cleanup! As usual, the heart of the cleanup is Saturday from 9am to noon, but the dumpsters will be available from Friday afternoon through Monday morning, so no time is a bad time to clean up. Meet, re-meet, and snack with your neighbors. Clear the property next to your street, help re-expose signs, or beautify paths. There’s plenty of beauty, fun, conversation, donuts, and coffee to be had. Please call Mike Hillberg for questions, suggestions, needs, or to help organize a special project. We look forward to seeing you on the 14th of May!

TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE, 108TH AVE SE WALKWAY, IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: In November 2010, WSTIB (Washington State Transportation Improvement Board) awarded the Town a TIB Grant (coming from three cents per gallon of the statewide gas tax) to design and construct a walkway and drainage system along the 108th Ave SE shoulder. We want to thank the 108th Design and Grant Committee for their hard work and continued efforts on this project. In March 2011, Mayor Leider asked Tom Stowe to take on the project lead, and the Town hired Gray & Osborne (G&O) as Project Administrator to do the design work and then assist in selecting a contractor to do construction. A preliminary project schedule follows, highlighting major events:

- April, 2011 – Geotechnical Investigation (potholing shoulder, not boring)
- Early Spring – Notification to Enatai neighbors of project and no parking on 108th shoulder
- Early Spring – Survey of project (verifying existing survey information)
- Spring – Town review of 30% concept map
- Spring – Town review of 60% preliminary project plans
- Spring – Final SEPA (if necessary)
- Late Spring – Town requests Right of Entry Permits
- Late Spring - Early Summer – Town review of 90% semi-final project plans
- Early Summer – WSTIB authorizes Town to Advertise for project contractor
- Summer, 2011 – Open Bids received and Town awards contract for construction
- August 11-September 8 – Construction Work Window (20 working days)

Proposed T-Mobile Cell Tower on Bellevue Christian Church Property

The hearing for the proposed 135-foot high T-Mobile cell tower on the Bellevue Christian Church property on 108th Ave SE has been cancelled and will be rescheduled. The City of Bellevue will issue notice of the dates and times of the rescheduled hearing and any SEPA appeal hearing after it issues revised recommendations.

SR 520 BRIDGE ELECTRONIC TOLL PASSES NOW AVAILABLE! Drivers eligible for \$10 in free tolls if they sign up before April 15th! Drivers on the SR 520 Bridge can now sign up for *Good To Go!*, Washington State's all-electronic toll collection system that allows drivers to pay tolls without stopping at a tollbooth. Tolling is scheduled to begin this spring. As a special incentive for those establishing an account early, you can **receive \$10 in free tolls** on SR 520 by signing up for a *Good To Go!* Pass and activating it **before April 15, 2011**. Details can be found on our website at: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Tolling/520SpecialOffers.htm>.

Good To Go! is Easy to Get and Use:

Online:

- [Sign up online now! https://mygoodtogo.com/olcsc/AccountLogin.do](https://mygoodtogo.com/olcsc/AccountLogin.do)

In Person:

- [Participating Safeway stores](#) beginning February 18th which include all Safeway stores in this area. For a complete list of stores, see: http://test.wsdot.wa.gov/wsdot/goodtogo/pdfs/Safeway_StickerPasses.pdf
- [Customer Service Centers](#) in Seattle and Bellevue
- [Mobile Customer Service Centers](#) in your neighborhood

Phone:

- Sign up by phone: 1-866-936-8246

Funding Your Good To Go! Account: When setting up your *Good To Go!* account, you will need to deposit a minimum of \$30 to get started. Once established, every time you drive through a tolling facility, the toll amount will be deducted automatically from your prepaid account. To make sure your *Good to Go!* account is never overdrawn, it is easy to set up auto-charge so that your bank account or credit card is automatically charged with a preset amount when your account balance gets low. You will receive a monthly email with a link to your account statement, and can check your recent account activity online or by phone at any time. With auto-charge, you're always *Good To Go!*

EFFECT OF RADIATION RELEASES IN JAPAN ON WASHINGTON STATE:

We are all hearing news regarding the crippled nuclear-power facilities in Japan and may be concerned about the possible health effects. The Washington State Dept of Health is monitoring the situation, and King County has developed a web page to serve as a one-stop shop for important links to and updates of information. Please visit:

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/news/japanresponse.aspx> for more information.

BACKFLOW-DEVICE TESTING: It's almost time for the annual testing of the backflow devices on your lawn- and fire-sprinkler systems. Many residents opt to have the Town arrange for the testing – a service for which residents pay about \$38 per device after the testing is complete. If you have a new lawn- or fire-sprinkler system that needs testing OR if you have arranged for your own testing in the past but want the Town to handle it this year, please send an email to Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov by April 10th so she can add your name to the list. For residents who still prefer to arrange for their own testing, please remember to have your tester send a copy of the test results to the Beaux Arts Water Department, 10530 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004 by July 15, 2011.

RECYCLING ALKALINE BATTERIES: Interested in recycling your used alkaline batteries? *All Battery Sales and Service* offers recycling services via collection tubes placed at drop-off sites. Currently, the collection site closest to Beaux Arts is at Bellevue City Hall. Other locations are listed at their website:

<http://www.allbatterysalesandservice.com/page.htm?pg=RECYCLELOCATION>.

TOWN NEWSLETTER: If you currently receive your newsletter in the mail and would prefer an electronic copy, please advise Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp. Thank you!

FALLEN VILLAGER HONORED: Our own fallen hero, Staff Sergeant Christopher Jon Van Der Horn, ([230-Vanderhorn recognition.doc](#)) will be honored on *The Nancy Grace Show*, Headline News (HLN) on most stations at 5- 6 pm on Monday, April 4, 2011, for those interested in seeing the tribute.

IN MEMORIAM: Previous villager, Albert Stack, passed away last month; he lived in the McGaughey/Bridges house from 1980 to 1995 with his wife, Mary Jo. Our condolences go out to his family at this time, especially son Ned and his family, our current fellow neighbors.

Previous villager, Betty Parker Philip – we knew as Betty Sharp – died earlier this month. Betty was the wife of the late Judge Morrell Sharp, and lived in the village from 1952 to 1967 on the previous Dougan lot where Heiser's and Leffingwell's homes now stand. Our sympathies go out to her family, especially son John and his family, who were also previous villagers in the Lu's house from 1998 to 2005.

NEXT WABA BOARD MEETING: The next meeting of the Western Academy of Beaux Arts Board of Trustees will be held at **7:00pm on Wednesday, April 13, 2011** at Steve Miller's house; it has been scheduled not to conflict with Bellevue School's spring break.

WABA ASSESSMENTS: By now you should have received your annual assessment letter from the WABA Board. If for some reason yours did not make it to you please email Kristin Mange – WABA Clerk, wabaclerk@gmail.com or call her at 502-7382 for another copy. The assessments are due on or before Friday, April 15th, 2011.

GREEN BOOK UPDATE: Residents with any changes to their contact information – especially email - are asked to please contact Kristin Mange, WABA clerk, as soon as possible as the 'green book' updates will be coming out soon. Email Kristin at wabaclerk@gmail.com or call her at 502-7382.

WABA BOARD: The 2011 WABA Board of Trustees are named as follows: Dan Bridges, President; Alex Burlingame, Vice-President; Paula Dix, Treasurer; Becky Ryals, Membership and Steve Miller, Secretary.

WELCOME Dede & Poe Fratt and their boys Auggie and Charlie! The Fratt's also have a daughter in college, and are living in the Branum's house. Welcome back also to the Fulton family, (Gary & Melissa with their boys Cole & Bryce) as they move into their house where the Bond's used to live.

EASTER EGG HUNT – Easter Egg Hunt volunteers needed! Please call Becky Ryals if you would like to help with this fun annual event. This year's hunt will be held **Saturday, April 23rd**. Look for more details on the mailbox stands soon!

ANNUAL WABA BEACH/WOODLANDS CLEANUP: Save the date! April brings the annual beach & woodlands cleanup fun day scheduled for **Saturday, April 30th** from 8am until lunch. This year Sheila Justus and I are combining work forces to clean up the beach and woodlands on the same day. The Woodland's will be receiving 50 or so small plants and

shrubs. The beach will need its planting areas spruced up. Of course we will end the fun day with the tasty hot dog lunch – so don't forget the kids! - Beach Master Forrest

BEACHMASTER REPORT: Spring has come to the beach! The vegetation is beginning to show life and color. The lawn is drying out and has been mowed. The birds are singing their morning song. The water is back on; the bathrooms are open, clean and stocked. It's a great time to revisit the beach! Also check out the fish friendlier grated walkways on C & D dock.

DOCKMASTER REPORT: The Town of Beaux Arts has approved an application for new boat lifts, so all federal, state, and local approvals are now in place. Pending a successful building permit application, additional boat lifts can be installed as early as this summer. There is a wait list for new lifts, but please let me know if you're interested. Depending on whether everyone on the wait list chooses to go forward with a lift, it may be some possibilities for other villagers.

The water has been turned back on at all of the docks. There are several slips available in the marina for large vessels (30' and 40' slips available); seasonal slips for smaller boats, and several canoe/kayak rack and platform spaces. Please contact me if you're interested. - Bernard

WOODLANDS REPORT: Woodlands has started the much delayed next phase of the restoration project. This will finish the restoration east of the lawn and between the bathrooms and the south parking lot. Please be respectful of the new plantings and keep kids and pets out of the area. Please call Sheila Justus if you have questions.

There is a great deal of erosion on the big hill caused by dogs and kids running down the hill.

Please try to keep animals and people on a leash or on the paths. We have spent a good deal of effort and money to improve the area for everyone. The need for constant replanting is just costing us all more money!

Someone is vandalizing the survey numbers on the WABA trees. These are pretty high on the trunks, so the culprits are not young children. Please try to remind your children and even some adults that the survey numbers on the trees are important and should not be abused or removed. It will just cost more to have them replaced. Hope to see you at the "party" on April 30th!

SHORELINE RESTORATION: The permitting process is under way and when in place a presentation will be given to the Town Council. As part of this project, WABA has authorized south-beach fish counts at intervals both pre- and post-restoration. This survey of WABA's shoreline habitat meets WRIA 8 goals and is funded by the King Conservation District. The first fish count will be conducted this Friday night, April 1st around 8:40 pm and a second count on May 10th at 9:35 pm. Those wishing to watch may do so! Arriving before swim time would allow the two snorkelers to briefly share the purpose and what makes a good audience: no fellow swimmers (brrrrr), no four-legged swimmers (dogs), flashlights "off" and *hushed* voices. Please see Joann Bromberg if you have any questions.

LIFEGUARDS: Lifeguards Wanted! If you or anyone you know is interested in applying for the lifeguard position in Beaux Arts, please contact Becky Ryals. Interviews will be early May.

TOWN BUILDING NEWS- All required permits were issued in March by the Beaux Arts

Building Department for:

2807 – 107 th Ave. SE	Mechanical for water heater replacement
10712 SE 30 th St.	Street opening for gas work needed for City of Bellevue.
10507 SE 28 th St.	Roof replacement

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 about this newsletter, the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or the 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