



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
FEBRUARY 2021**

WABA Board Mtg.	Thursday	7:00pm	February 4 th	remotely
Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	7:00pm	February 9 th	remotely
Planning Commission	Thursday	7:00pm	February 25 th	remotely

Town WEBSITE: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/	SALES TAX NUMBER: #1703
Town Hall: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov	Building Dept: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov
Mayor: mayor@beauxarts-wa.gov	Town Council: council@beauxarts-wa.gov

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

- Passed Ordinance No. 449 adopting the 2018 State Building Code as required by state statute.
- Passed Ordinance Nos. 450 and 451 enacting regulations, including design standards, for small cell and 5G wireless networks.
- Adopted an annual budget for 2021.
- Learned that Town Engineer Stacia Schroeder is obtaining proposals for repaving of the roads impacted by the 2019 Water Main Project and the 2020 Stormwater Project Reviewed final details about the SE 27th Stormwater Project. Repaving work will happen this year; details will be shared with residents when known.
- Confirmed the appointment of Bruce Agnew to the Planning Commission filling a vacant position for a term that expires on December 31, 2026. Mayor Gillem reported that Mr. Agnew brings a wealth of public-sector experience to the position.

The Council's next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 9th and will likely be conducted remotely; instructions for participating will be included on the meeting agenda posted on mailstands the Friday before the meeting and on the Town website at <https://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/agendas>. Please contact Clerk/Treasurer Spens if you have questions.

COVID: The state shifted to a two-phase system January 11, 2021, in accordance with regional case counts, re-setting all counties back to phase 1 - despite our erroneous report last month.

- As of February 1st, King County will move back to phase 2: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/elected/executive/constantine/covid-response/current-guidance.aspx>.
- As part of the state's "Healthy Washington" plan and per the State's new Coronavirus webpage, you will find details for phase 1 and 2 at: <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/safe-start/whats-open>.
- Regional case counts will determine the phase for regional area going forward; each region includes a handful of counties. <https://medium.com/wagovernor/inslee-announces-healthy-washington-roadmap-to-recovery-229b880a6859>.

- You can keep up with all the latest statistics with the Dept of Health at: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/DataDashboard>.

MARSHAL REPORT: There has been an increase in car prowlers reported in the area. Please do not leave valuables in your car and keep lights on to deter thieves. One neighbor reported a man came to her door claiming to be a delivery person and asked for her by name. She did not open the door and later learned that there was no package delivered. Be cautious opening doors for strangers. If you need to report any crime, contact the King County Sheriff and then Town Marshal Jeff & Marji Jochums.

PROPERTY TAXES IN BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE: Villagers will soon be receiving notices that property taxes are due. For a brief explanation of property taxes in Beaux Arts, please see the attached flyer.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM CYBER RISK – FOUR KEY TAKEAWAYS TO BEAT SNEAKY PHISHING SCHEMES: Town officials recently received several spam/spoof emails making it timely to remind everyone of the following when reading your email. (These guidelines are also useful with text messages, because the volume of spam texts is also on the increase.)

1. **BE VERY CAUTIOUS OF EMAILS THAT:**
 - Sound like they are talking about special government assistance programs related to Coronavirus;
 - Mention some legitimate news story, or a bill passing congress, or a school closing, to try to entice you to click on a link; or
 - Link to some website where you need to register to receive a state government, federal government, or insurance benefit.
2. **IF YOU RECEIVE A SUSPICIOUS EMAIL OR PHONE CALL:**
 - DO warn others (family, friends, neighbors) about it;
 - DO NOT forward a suspicious email to others, unless it is to someone who is scanning it for phishing or viruses on your behalf. Sharing a phishing attempt with others could spread the virus.
3. **BE SKEPTICAL OF EMAILS CLAIMING YOU NEED TO DO SOMETHING** to keep access to your VPN, M365 Email, wireless internet access, etc. or that the sender has detected suspicious activity on your account that requires your information for investigation.
4. **WHEN IN DOUBT, CALL YOUR PROVIDER OR THE SENDER** to confirm if the outreach actually came from them or log in to your account from your browser for more information rather than using a link in the email.

STORM DRAINS: Residents – please help prevent clogged storm drains during the rainy season by continuing to clear street debris from storm grates near your property. This not only helps reduce ponding on our roads, but also limits the volume of debris entering the storm drains.

TOWN SERVICES REMAIN IN PHASE 2: Your Town Clerks have always worked from home, but as the pandemic continues, we remain extra careful about contact with the public. Both Clerk/Treasurer Spens and Deputy Clerk Kulp are available by phone or email, and we do our best to respond within 24 hours. The Building Department is accepting permit applications

online or by mail to maintain social distancing. In addition, all contractors must continue to comply with requirements for providing a safe workspace. Based on recent news for our area, it is not known when this will change.

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

ANNUAL MEETING: WABA's Annual Business Meeting was hosted via a Zoom Webinar on Saturday, January 30th. Meeting results and minutes of the meeting will be posted on the WABA website.

BOARD MEETING: The next regular meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, February 4th at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Meeting details will be posted on the agendas.

MOORAGE BILLS: All the moorage bills have been distributed to the respective recipients. If you did not get your bill, due in February, please contact WABA Clerk Kristin Mange and she will get your message delivered.

WELCOME: Please welcome Carrie Oliver and Steve Earwaker: they have moved into the former Brookhart house.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF? Town Website: <http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/>

● Contact **Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens** about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Dept.:

Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 454-8580.

● Contact **Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp** about the building department (including permits and variances), issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner, or this newsletter:

Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 269-6985

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

Town Marshal Jeff/Marji Jochums townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov

Deputy Marshal Robert Heintz

KCSO Non-Emergency Line

(206) 296-3311

NEED TO CONTACT WABA? WABA Members may contact **WABA Clerk Kristin Mange** about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the private beach or its use (including reservations and parking stickers), the Green Book Directory, WABA social events or issues before the WABA Board of Trustees:

WABA Clerk Kristin Mange wabaclerk@gmail.com (425) 502-7382

Web address: <http://waba1908.com/>

Mailing: Western Academy of Beaux Arts, 10010 SE 28th Place, Beaux Arts, WA 98004