

## TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN MARCH 2018

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WABA Board Mtg. 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 7:00pm March 1<sup>st</sup> Bogert/McNulty

Town Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 7:00pm March 13<sup>th</sup> Gillem Town Planning Commission 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7:00pm March 15<sup>th</sup> Laws WABA Easter Egg Hunt Saturday Morning March 31<sup>st</sup> Beach

Town WEBSITE: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/ SALES TAX NUMBER: #1703

Town Hall: <a href="mailto:townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov">townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov</a> Building Department: <a href="mailto:bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov">bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov</a> Town Council: <a href="mailto:council@beauxarts-wa.gov">council@beauxarts-wa.gov</a>

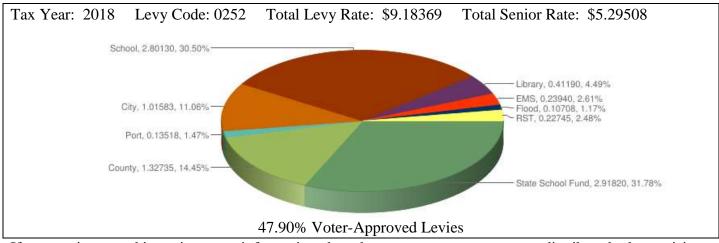
## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**: The following discussions took place at the most recent Council meeting:

- A Regional Coalition for Housing: The Council adopted Resolution No. 304 approving the 2018 Budget and Work Program for ARCH. Councilmembers expressed interest in learning if there are other ways to support and promote affordable housing on the Eastside and will be reporting on their research in the coming months.
- Water Resource Inventory Area 8: The Council adopted Resolution No. 305 ratifying the 2017 WRIA8
   Amendments to their ongoing plan for salmon restoration in the Lake Washington/Lake
   Sammamish/Cedar River Watershed.
- Final 2017 Budget Performance: The Council reviewed final revenues and expenditures for 2017 and compared them to the amended budget passed in December.
- Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation: The Council continues to monitor changes in traffic counts and
  patterns through South Bellevue and Beaux Arts resulting from Sound Transit construction. Town staff
  is still working out how to retrieve and compile traffic data so that the Council is able to review counts
  and monitor changes in traffic volume.
- Segregation of Council Duties: The Council continued discussing how best to match each member's talents with the Town's needs and will complete its discussion at the March meeting.

**COUNCIL - NEXT MEETING:** The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:00pm on **Tuesday, March 13, 2018** at John Gillem's house. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

**2018 PROPERTY TAXES:** Much has been written in the news about significant increases in property taxes throughout King County and the State. In Beaux Arts, Villagers are seeing an increase of nearly 20% in their annual property tax bills, so where is this money going?

The chart below depicts the distribution of property taxes as a percentage of the total bill. As you can see, the Town (City) receives only 11% of the total tax bill paid by each resident. That 11% represents total revenue of \$173,400, which only pays for about 2/3 of the Town's anticipated General Funds expenditures, including police and fire services, and general administration. The remaining 1/3 is covered by sales tax revenues and permit-related fees. (Permit fees are not intended to be a source of Town revenue, but only to cover the expenses of the Building Department). Of the remaining 89%, the lion's share goes to the local and state school funds.



If you are interested in seeing more information about how your property taxes are distributed, please visit <a href="https://www.kingcounty.gov/services/gis/Maps/parcel-viewer.aspx">https://www.kingcounty.gov/services/gis/Maps/parcel-viewer.aspx</a> and use Parcel Viewer to find your address.

**EAST LINK CONSTRUCTION – SOUND TRANSIT:** Frequent construction updates are ongoing; see Sound Transit's website at: <a href="https://www.soundtransit.org/eastlink">https://www.soundtransit.org/eastlink</a> to sign up to receive their electronic updates.

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:** Please see Councilmember Paula Dix about the Town's Emergency Management program; she can be reached at <a href="mailto:pdix@beauxarts-wa.gov">pdix@beauxarts-wa.gov</a>.

MARSHAL REPORT: If you have anything to report, please contact Marshal Jeff Jochums at <a href="mailto:townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov">townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov</a>. February activity in this area included:

- King County Sheriff's office reports crimes occurred per their map: https://www.crimereports.com/
- Bellevue Police department reports the following crimes occurred in per Bellevue's Crime map: <a href="http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue">http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue</a> or <a href="http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue">http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue</a>. Bellevue has a new integrated crime unit focusing on the most common crimes like car prowls, with the biggest offenders, often linked to Seattle gangs and identity theft.
- NextDoor Enatai members report incidents around us every month, including theft, vandalism, etc. Next Door Enatai now has a private sub-group just for Beaux Arts residents. For complete details, residents may log in with a password to the local blog, https://enataisurreydowns.nextdoor.com/login/.

**NORTH MERCER & ENATAI SEWER UPGRADE PROJECT:** Residents should have received a mailer by now outlining the latest design progress. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2020 and take about 3 years to complete. There will be an online open house during March at <a href="www.nmesewerupgrade.org">www.nmesewerupgrade.org</a>. For more project details, visit the project website at: <a href="www.kingcounty.gov/MercerEnataiSewer">www.kingcounty.gov/MercerEnataiSewer</a>.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** King County has released a Draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (Draft Plan) and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) for public review and comment. The Draft Plan outlines innovative programs to prevent, recycle, and dispose of waste in ways that help protect human health and the environment. The Draft EIS evaluates the potential environmental impacts of options in the Draft Plan. Learn about the big issues facing King County's recycling and garbage services in

the coming years and let us know what you think. **The deadline for submitting comments is March 8, 2018.** To learn more and to offer your comments:

- **Visit** <a href="www.kingcounty.gov/solid-waste-comp-plan">www.kingcounty.gov/solid-waste-comp-plan</a> to review the Notice of Availability, the Draft Plan and Draft EIS, see short videos outlining the issues, fill out a brief survey, or learn details about three public open houses in Kirkland, Kent, & Issaquah to be held in late January and early February.
- Send an email with your comments to: SWD.CompPlan@kingcounty.gov
- Send a letter via U.S. Post send written comments to: King County Solid Waste Division Attn: Draft Solid Waste Plan Comments 201 S. Jackson St., Suite 701 Seattle, WA 98104-3855

**ROW REMINDERS:** As you begin your property beautification projects this spring, please remember the following regulations apply to areas within the Town's rights of way:

- The Town rights of way extend beyond the paved portions of the roadway. While the area is not physically delineated, you may get a general idea of where the line is by noting the location of your water meter and any nearby power poles ... those are found within the right of way.
- The Town regulates uses within the rights of way. (See BAVMC 12.15, the Town's ROW Code at: http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BeauxArts/#!/BeauxArts12/BeauxArts1215.html#12.15)
- You may work within the right of way planting area adjacent to your property, without the need for a permit, for the following activities:
  - o installation, maintenance, and removal of plant material of any species other than those prohibited in the code (please check the code, or contact Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp for more information);
  - o installation of a two-man landscaping rock(s) a minimum of 1.5 feet from the pavement edge;
  - o above ground irrigation and low voltage landscape lighting.
- Grading within the right of way is not permitted without Town Council approval. Please note that grading within the right of way has the potential to create drainage problems for your downstream neighbors.
- Other activities may require Town Council approval, an encroachment agreement, or review by Town staff. Please consult Deputy Clerk Kulp for guidance.

**TOWN BUILDING NEWS:** No new permits were issued by the Building Dept. in February. The Town's Building Department reminds residents that most work requires permits; thank you to those that double-check before starting any work. Please check our website at: <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg\_dept.htm">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg\_dept.htm</a> for details, or a link to our codes. You may also contact Deputy Clerk Kulp.

Yard work and home maintenance: The Town has received recent noise complaints about commercial yard services hired to do residential work on Sundays for several neighbors. The Town encourages residents to please respect your fellow neighbors by keeping your noise levels down, and do or *schedule any noisy* yard and house maintenance *during our construction hours*, wherever possible. Thank you. Construction hours in the village are:

Monday through Friday 7 am - 6 pm Saturday 8 am - 5 pm Sunday and Holidays No Work Allowed

## WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

**BOARD MEETING:** The next meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be **Thursday, March 1, 2018** at 7:00pm at the Bogert/McNulty residence.

**EASTER EGG HUNT: Saturday, March 31**<sup>st</sup> there will be an Easter Egg Hunt in the morning. More details to come... look for the flyer next week! There will be coffee and treats for everyone. Thank you to Aletha Howes for chairing this traditional activity! If you have children or grandchildren who'd like to participate, please contribute at least 2 dozen plastic <u>filled</u> eggs per child participating at Aletha Howes' home by the evening of Thursday, March 29.

**MASTERS REPORTS:** From the WABA volunteers that tirelessly oversee and manage our community waterfront assets, please contact the following Masters with any questions:

- **BEACHMASTER:** No report; see Forrest Kulp with questions.
- **DOCKMASTER:** Annual moorage billing has been mailed out and was due by Feb. 28th. If you have not paid yet, get your payment sent in ASAP to avoid late fees. Before mailing in, please seriously consider your boat usage and all your neighbors still anxiously waiting for a slip. If you have a boat, kayak, or canoe, either in a slip or stored on the ground or rack at the beach, and have not received a moorage billing, please contact Dock Master Jay Jacobsen.
- WOODLANDS: No report; see Julia Morse with questions.

SUMMER PICNIC and EVENTS DAY: Save the date; the Summer Picnic will be on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 28<sup>th</sup></u>. We'll be planning a day full of fun activities and a partially catered dinner. Stay tuned for more info, and contact WABA if you'd like to help with the fishing derby, pet parade, campout, or other activities. Also looking ahead to summer, we'd love to have your help on the following:

- Lifeguards. Know any Red Cross-certified lifeguards? Ask them to join the lifeguard crew at the BAV beach. Competitive hourly wages, plus perks. Contact Marji Jochums if you know any good candidates.
- Beach Parents and Summer Activities. Look for a survey of summer activities for all ages. Please participate and help WABA enhance your summer fun! Contact Eugenia Yen for inquiries.

## 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.:

Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens <u>townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov</u> (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:

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

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

Town Marshal Jeff Jochums townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov or see the WABA Green Book

**KCSO Non-Emergency Line**Major Greg Thomas

greg.thomas@kingcounty.gov

(206) 296-3311

(206) 423-1485

**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 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:

wabaclerk@gmail.com (425) 502-7382

Web address: <a href="http://waba1908.com/">http://waba1908.com/</a>

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