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## ***Landowners Update – March 2015***

### **From the Board**

Once again, landowners are invited to attend the Union Bay Improvement District Annual General Meeting. In addition to hearing about the activities of the District over the past year; one trustee position (currently held by Alan Webb) will be up for election for a three year term.

**Union Bay Improvement District  
Annual General Meeting and Trustee Election  
Saturday, April 25th, 2015 from 2-4 PM  
Bill Woods Room, Union Bay Community Hall**

### **UBID Annual General Meeting**

The purpose of the AGM is to report to the landowners on activities of the past year and to elect one trustee, for a three year term.

If two or more candidates are declared at the end of the nomination period (Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>), an election will occur at the AGM with an advanced poll to be held on April 13<sup>th</sup> from 2-7 PM at the UBID office. Final voting will occur at the AGM. Voter registration will take place from 1 - 2 pm with all eligible voters to be provided a ballot. The meeting starts promptly at 2 PM and no further ballots will be issued after that time.

The tentative meeting agenda is as follows: (a finalized agenda will be posted closer to the AGM)

- Approval of the agenda
- Adoption of the minutes of previous meeting
- Business arising from the minutes and unfinished business
- Reports from Board Chair, Administrator's and Committees
- Trustee Election; candidates will be given 2 minutes to address the landowners prior to voting.
- New Business

A copy of the UBID Elections Policy (Policy 1-B-11) is available on the Bylaw and Policies page on the UBID website at [www.union-bay.ca](http://www.union-bay.ca). Persons interested in being a trustee must meet **all** of the following requirements:

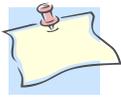


- A Canadian Citizen
- Eighteen (18) Years or Older;
- A Registered Owner of Land on Title in the Union Bay Improvement District;
- A Resident of BC for the Previous Six (6) Months; and
- Entitled to be Registered as a Voter under the Elections Act.

Individuals eligible to vote must meet all of the same requirements as persons who wish to run for office. The Chief Electoral Officer will manage the election process and provide instructions regarding voting. Interested candidates are encouraged to contact the UBID office at 250-335-2511 for more information. Nominations are currently open and will close on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 at 4:00 PM.

**Please plan to attend. Bring identification. If you are not sure that you are on the voters list from last year's AGM, please call the office.**

### Bits and Pieces



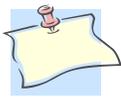
If you have concerns about neighbours burning their garbage please contact the Provincial Conservation Officer toll free at 1-877-952-7277 as this is considered to be a pollution issue.



UBIDs "*Comprehensive Review of Public Works and Water Management in Union Bay*" is now available on the Water Quality Issues page of the UBID website. [www.union-bay.ca](http://www.union-bay.ca)



The water filtration pilot testing is complete and the results have been forwarded to our engineering firm. The results are very encouraging. A special thank you goes out to Joe Tarnowski for loaning UBID a tank for experiments with sludge management during the pilot.



To celebrate 80 years of community service, Union Bay Fire Rescue and UBID will be holding a dance and fund raiser this fall. Watch for details



Congratulations to 5 new fire department members who recently completed their First Responder Certification.



Thanks to Bill Alcock and Bruce Livesey who voluntarily repaired a leaking upstairs window at the fire hall at minimal cost.

### ***McLeod Road Reservoir Cleaning***



Please be advised the McLeod Road Reservoir Tank will be cleaned on **Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**. The water may be highly colored and turbid at this time but will continue to be chlorinated. Water pressure fluctuations may also occur. Avoid laundry mishaps by running water until it is clear before starting. Consumers using water during this time should be aware that water quality could change rapidly. It is therefore advisable to keep an ample supply of potable water on hand or in your refrigerator until this situation clears. People with immune deficiencies should boil water during this period. Water quality is checked daily and residents will be notified via local radio if a Boil Water Advisory were to occur. **For further information, please call the UBID office at 250-335-2511.**

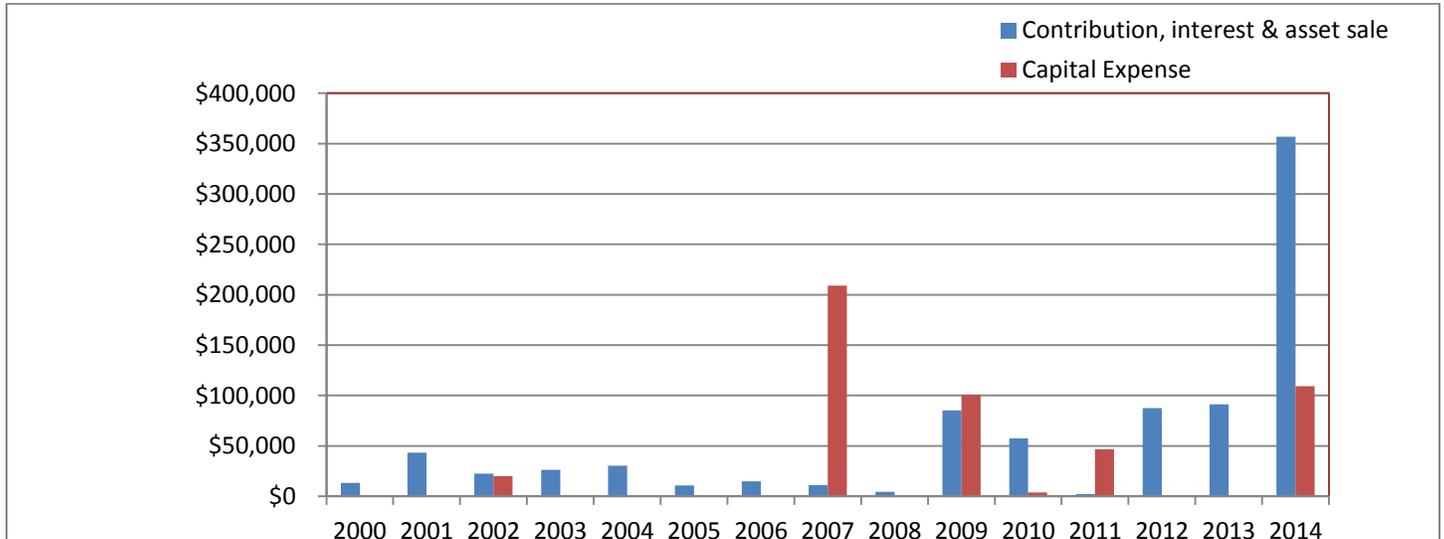
### **ATTENTION ALL TD CANADA TRUST CUSTOMERS!!**



UBID is pleased to announce landowners can now pay their water toll and parcel tax invoices through TD Canada Trust's EasyWeb Internet Banking. When setting up the appropriate payees, please select **Union Bay Improv. Util** and **Union Bay Dist. ParcelTx** and don't forget to add the correct Customer ID. (A "T" in your Customer ID # indicates Parcel Tax.)

## Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Rescue Service Growing

UBID is pleased to announce that it has been able to put away more money for future capital projects in the past 3 years than in the previous 10 years. At this point we have \$582,767 for needed capital costs. The following graph shows contributions and expenses to the Fire Rescue Capital Reserve Fund over the past several years.



## Service Awards Presented

Service awards were presented to our firefighters (FF) at the annual awards banquet held in January.



Two firefighters received 15 year of service awards and were granted life time membership. They are: FF Robert Jeffrey (L) and FF Peter Wharram (R).



Ten year service awards were presented to (L to R) Capt. Darcy Rainey and FF Dwayne Cullen. A five year award was presented to FF Rikk Buijs.



Firefighter of the Year was awarded to FF Chelsea Waite.



And, two FF became certified with their NFPA 1001 Level 2. They are (L to R) FF Chelsea Waite and FF Robson Moulton.



## **Firefighters Profiled**

Over the coming months the Union Bay Fire Fighters will be profiled. This edition focuses on four of our newest recruits.

**Joseph Conway** has lived in beautiful Union Bay for the past 17 years. He has no former firefighting training but enjoys his career as a commercial diver. Giving back to the community that has given him so much over the years is the main reason in joining the Fire Department, and the chance to be a part of a team that will help him grow his skills and provide training that will help him assist others. Joseph is proud to be a new member and feels he has much to learn from the senior members who provided excellent training, information, and leadership.



**James Maxwell** moved to Union Bay 3 years ago has no previous firefighting experience. "This is all very new to me." "Being trained, ready and able to assist others in need is something I feel very fortunate about. I hope I can help my neighbors when called upon". He thinks the UBFRS is an "awesome group of people who commit a great deal of their time to help their neighbours and community. I will be proud to join their company and call myself a Union Bay Firefighter when I pass the training"



**Lisa Meadows** moved to Union Bay in September 2014 from Westmeath (Ottawa), Ontario. "I was a fire fighter in Timmins, Ontario for 2 years and went to school to become a paramedic. I joined the fire department because firefighting is something that is in your blood and soul...It gets under your skin and never leaves. It is my one true love and passion. I can't imagine life without it. She loves being part of Union Bay fire department because "the brigade is composed of a fantastic bunch of people. I love the kindness of Union Bay folks and the town has a fantastic view! What more could I ask for!"



**Cristian (Cris) Preuss** moved to Union Bay in 2007 with his wife Casey." I have a 3 year old daughter named Madison and another baby on the way". He has no previous experience as a fire fighter and decided to join the department to help the community and meet new people. "I really enjoy the training provided by the UBVFD and I hope to continue volunteering for many years to come".

