

DIAMOND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

NEXT BOARD MEETING – October 17, 2018
7:00 pm - Diamond Hall

QUARTERLY WATER BILLINGS

You will notice on your quarterly water billing that the base amount for water has increased to \$143.00 for the three month period which is an increase from \$126.00. The increase is a direct result of the Town of Ladysmith increasing the parcel tax amount that we are required to pay. The Diamond is not making any money on this increase. We are simply covering the increase we pay to the Town. Please note that payments received after 4 p.m. on the due date are subject to a 10% penalty. If you are delinquent in your water account, you will have received a *red reminder notice* in with your water bill. If you received this notice, you will have 10 days in which to bring your account current. Failure to do so will result in your water being disconnected. This is a most unpleasant task for staff and Trustees and not one we like to do. If you have any questions regarding your water bill, please call the Administrator Debby Baker at 250-245-5259 to discuss payment.

PARCEL TAXES

The following properties will be placed for tax sale unless receipt of payment of delinquent parcel taxes is received on or before October 22, 2018:

5010 Grouhel Road, Ladysmith, B.C.
4972 Grouhel Road, Ladysmith, B.C.

Payment can be made by cheque, money order, or e-transfer. If you have any questions regarding your parcel taxes, please call the Administrator Debby Baker at 250-245-5259. As of today, we have 29 properties who are delinquent in paying their parcel taxes for 2018. Anyone who is delinquent past the due date has had a 10% penalty added. If property taxes are delinquent for longer than 24 months properties will be placed on the tax sale list.

LANDLORDS AND TENANTS

Landlords who bill tenants for water and have a tenant leave during a billing period should read the meter and call Chair Elisabeth Suttie for a calculation of the water usage to date. Please note that the Diamond will not send the water meter reader out to read a single meter during a billing period. We follow the same procedure for when a property is sold during a billing period. The owners should read the meter on the day before closing and call the reading in. A calculation will then be done and sent to the lawyers acting in the sale of the property.