



The proposed renovations set on in the Strategic Plan are:

- a) upgrading or moving the kitchen
- b) expanding/improving the stage
- c) expanding/improving the meeting room

What is your preferred order of completion? Or maybe you think the Hall works as it is. Use the boxes to move the arrows into your preferred choices.

Rank Options

- 1 A Upgrading or moving the ki...
- 2 B Expanding/improving the st...
- 3 C Expanding/improving the m...
- 4 D It works as is, no renovation...

First choice Last choice



NOTES FROM PETER: Our next scheduled Lasqueti Trust Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 7. Currently it is to be an in-person meeting at

the Health Centre, but if the Executive Committee on February 2 accepts and approves the new Meeting Procedures Bylaw that we gave three readings to at our recent Special electronic meeting, and we give it 4th reading and adoption by Meeting Without Resolution, then it will be changed to an electronic meeting, unless it is perceived by then by the trustees to be safe to meet in person.

If it's electronic, the meeting can be viewed and heard by Live Streaming over the internet, from the Watch Live button on the meeting page, where the agenda for the meeting will be available, I think on Monday: <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/event/lasqueti-island-local-trust-committee-13/>

We cancelled the special meeting we had scheduled to discuss changes to the proposed Official Community Plan, at the request of the Snaw-naw-as Nation, who want to meet with us before we proceed further with the OCP process.

The Trust budget consultation and feedback process is underway. A recording of the January 27 webinar on the budget will soon be available at <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/event/budget-information-webinar/> It's a two hour meeting, with the first half hour being an introduction to the Islands Trust, 15 minutes on the budget process, and the rest a series of questions and answers.

You can submit questions and/or your opinion by calling 250-405-5151 or sending them to budget@islandstrust.bc.ca

There is an on-line survey (10-15 minutes) at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JM8KZLM>

Deadline to provide input so that it can be considered by Financial Planning Committee and then the Islands Trust Council is Sunday, February 6.

Budget highlights (where the money goes and where it comes from) and the proposed budget, last year's budget and approved budgets from 1994/5 as well as survey results from previous Trust budget surveys are available at or from <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/about-us/accountability/budget/>

Trust Council will be meeting March 8-10 and must, by law, adopt a budget at that meeting, as well as conducting a lot of other business.

There is a webinar scheduled for Thursday, February 3

on the province's Groundwater Licensing Program. Details at <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/event/wells-and-groundwater-licensing-in-the-trust-area-webinar/>

Questions or concerns? Call or email me or Tim or budget@islandstrust.bc.ca 250-405-5151

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REGIONAL DISTRICT

An extra minute of daylight held a glimpse of spring, and in its passing still left a long night to ponder.

Regional Director Town Hall: I plan to hold a virtual town hall meeting via Zoom.

Virtual Town Hall
Tuesday Feb 15
7pm until approximately 8:30pm

If you would like to join, please send me an email and I will send you the meeting link. My apologies to those who do not have internet access (it can be possible to join by phone, but won't be able to see what I present).

If you need any help getting started with Zoom, I am happy to assist.

Topics and approximate times are tentatively:

- 7:00 – 7:30: Dispatch update and discussion
- 7:30 – 8:15: 2022 Budget overview and discussion
- 8:15 – end: Other regional district issues

I will schedule the meeting from 7-9pm, but hope to keep the meeting to about 1 ½ hours. If you have a regional

district topic you would like covered, feel free to let me know ahead of time.

Financial plan (draft 3): The Board reviewed the 3rd draft of the 2022 budget at the Finance Committee meeting on Jan 19. This will be revised at least one more time prior to adoption before the end of March. If you are interested, the budget is on pages 47-194 in the agenda available at:

<https://qathetrd.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/131533>

Looks like the total taxes that will be levied from Lasqueti will increase by about 7.8% over last year (about half of which is due to increasing inflation, and a significant part of which is due to the waste management service) . However, the tax rate for Lasqueti properties (per 100,000 assessed value) will drop primarily because assessment values increased on average by about 30.5% for Lasqueti (which poses problems to our social fabric, but that's a topic for another time).

Budgets for individual services that affect Lasqueti (e.g. waste management, LIVFD, ramp, etc.) are detailed individually in the report.

Emergency Supplies Container for Lasqueti (grant application): The qRD has applied for Provincial funding for an emergency supplies storage container. The qRD has successfully applied for such a grant each of the past 4 years, and placed containers on Texada, Powell River, Lund and Kelly Creek (south of Powell River). This year, the application is for Lasqueti. The grant is for up to \$25,000, and an additional \$10,000 will be allocated from the Regional Emergency Preparedness service to cover costs of transport and placement. The current proposed location is at the community hall. If and when the grant is approved, there will be public engagement, which will allow discussion about any flexibility and options regarding contents, as well as specific location.

Waste composition study: Let's Talk Trash and qRD staff have completed a 2-season study of what's in our garbage. For people interested in reducing our waste, it has some interesting information. I appreciate the efforts of those who undertook this, wearing hazmat suits and sorting through random bags of garbage (often not very pleasant).

The waste from Lasqueti has a lot less organics and wood waste than elsewhere in the qRD (kudos to us), but higher levels of plastic (28%) and hazardous waste (7%) (non-kudos).