

# Qualicum Bay Horne Lake Water District

2020 AGM held September 22, 2021

## Chairpersons Report

Welcome to the 53 Annual QBHLWD AGM.

I would like to recognize that we are holding this meeting on the traditional lands of the Qualicum First Nation.

2021 has been a challenging year for everyone in Canada with the Covid 19 pandemic.

Thanks to our Administrator keeping on top of all the protocol that needs to be followed we managed to get this far with very few disruptions I would like to thank the trustees as well for their cooperation in making 2021 another successful year for the water district.

We also should acknowledge the work done by Mr. Don Buchner and his maintenance team. Don's expertise is the glue that keeps the system running for you, our ratepayers. We can also always count on Don for input and guidance when making decisions that effect the delivery of good clean water and maintaining your water system.

Our trustees, administrator and our maintenance team work together very well, and it is impressive the combined effort that everyone shows each and every month. It has made my job as these years chair an easy and very enjoyable one....

### A little history

Currently we have 3 wells, which can pump 450 gallons a minute into 2 large glass infused holding tanks and that has supplied clean drinking water through 17.5 kms of waterline serving over 500 connections in our district.

Our water system was established in 1968 and some of it is getting older. We are working with our engineer team to come up with a plan to continue with updates in a responsible manner. Stay tuned we are up to some exciting projects to keep your water clean affordable and sustainable for many decades to come

Things your board has been up to in 2021; we will likely be starting to do water line updates in the near future as we are concluding talks and getting recommendations from our engineers and our accounting team. Your trustees along with our administrative staff and our maintenance people will be meeting and brainstorming a responsible path forward in the months to come.

We are also working to get a new updated agreement with our friends and neighbours of the Qualicum First Nations bringing an outdated agreement up to date for 2021 and beyond.

The water district is in good financial shape as the financial report will show and that is due to the continued good stewardship of your current trustees and your administrator.

We are a "great team" and with the input and guidance from our Administrator we expect to continue to be a strong and resourceful water district in the years to come

We are always looking for new trustees to continue the work and welcome new ideas and vision.

This is your water district, and we welcome your input.

In closing I would like to thank my fellow trustees for their patience dedication input and vision and in going forward I am excited with what projects we will be starting in 2022....

Sincerely

Jeff Cain, Chairperson 2021

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