A WORD FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

Here we are! I'm delighted to introduce our new e-newsletter for the Tiburon community: Tiburon Talk. This electronic missive will be sent to subscribers monthly - with the goal of keeping readers abreast of what's happening with their town government. Our goal is to make it informative, but also brief and to the point. In this manner we hope to keep this manageable to produce, enjoyable to read, and timely.

We also hope to hear from you what you find useful, what you might enjoy more (or less) of, and other helpful guidance. Feel free to contact me at pcurran@ci.tiburon.ca.us with feedback. And thanks, in advance, for your patience as we develop greater efficiency and effectiveness with this new communication.

Peggy Curran
Tiburon Town Manager

NEWS BRIEFS

Meet Our New Superintendent of Public Works
The Tiburon Town Council and staff are pleased to introduce Mr. Joel Brewer, who took the helm of the Public Works Streets and Parks Divisions on September 17, 2007. Joel was hired after the Town conducted a state-wide search to replace Tony Iacopi, who retired from the position after eighteen years of dedicated service.

Joel comes to the Town with an extensive background in all phases of construction. He lives in...
Petaluma with his wife Cathy and two teenage sons, Connor and Brock. Please give Joel a warm welcome if you run into him during his rounds about Town. If you need assistance from the Public Works Department, Joel can be reached at 415-435-7399.

**Town Council Staff Reports Go Digital**

As most of you know, the Town Council conducts the business of the town at its twice-monthly meetings (usually 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.). To assist the Council, staff produces reports with information and recommendations.

These reports have always been available to the public at Town Hall, but now they can be found on the town's website at [www.ci.tiburon.ca.us](http://www.ci.tiburon.ca.us). Just go to the home page, and click on "Town Council Info". There you will find agendas, minutes and staff reports. Staff reports are posted on the Friday afternoon prior to the Wednesday Town Council meeting.

We hope this new service is a convenience to all who follow Town Council activities, or would if only it were easier. Now it is!

**Multi-Use Path Almost Complete**

That amazing amenity, the Town's multi-use path stretching from Cove Road to Blackie's Pasture, has undergone some major work. The Marin Municipal Water District replaced the old water supply pipe that lay underneath, the principal source for both Tiburon and Belvedere, to make it more reliable and seismically secure. That accomplished, the path is in the final stages of restoration. The 10' wide paved surface will now have two decomposed granite paths of 3-4 feet, one on each side of the pavement. This additional width is intended to improve the safety and enjoyability of the path for all users.

As part of the path's refurbishment, we are seeking to emphasize a few things like ... good manners! The path will soon have signs at both ends setting forth path etiquette, as well as some safety signs and pavement markings along the way. You might think it's simply common sense (or common courtesy), but we believe it can only help if everyone has the same understanding of expectations.
Public Safety - Everyone can help

Throughout the months of May, June, and July, our community suffered a string of auto thefts and thefts from vehicles. Residents of Belvedere suffered similar problems. Both police departments shifted resources and changed tactics to combat the thefts. A number of arrests were made and significant amounts of property were recovered. For the time being, the problem seems to have abated. However, opportunities for criminals still abound. We learned from some of the people we arrested that Tiburon is considered prime territory where the pickings are good because residents feel safe and continue to leave valuables in plain sight and cars unlocked. Tiburon is indeed a safe place to live and we can all make it a little safer by changing our habits and making it tougher for thieves.

Streetlights

You may have noticed some new sample streetlight standards have cropped up in the vicinity of the Lodge at Tiburon. New standards are funded in this fiscal year; these samples feature down-lighting rather than all-directional lighting to minimize glare and light pollution. They were also chosen for their compatibility with our existing light poles to save money. If you have an opinion about the lights please contact Peggy Curran at pcurran@ci.tiburon.ca.us.

Emergency Preparedness - Get Ready, Already!

By now you’ve probably heard about the "Get Ready" citizen disaster preparedness class. The program was started right here on the Tiburon peninsula and has proven so successful it was recently adopted by the Marin County Board of Supervisors for implementation throughout the entire County. If you haven’t attended a class yet (a mere two hours), now is the perfect time! The summer and fall schedules are out and they’re full of great classes. Sign up now!

Back by popular demand are "Wine & Cheese Night at the Lodge at Tiburon" and "Get Ready, Get Dinner at Sam’s." And for the first time ever, why not pack up the picnic
basket and Get Ready while "Picnicking at the Police Station" in Tiburon! To see the summer and fall schedules and to sign up for a class, visit the [website](#), or call Laurie Nilsen at 435-7386.

Lyford Cove Undergrounding District
Undergrounding in Lyford Cove is nearing completion! Conduits have been installed, PG&E has converted all homes over to their underground network and many of the roads have already been resurfaced. We are experiencing some delays with Comcast and AT&T, but we expect those elements to be completed soon. Final conversion and removal of all the poles is anticipated in the early part of 2008. Questions? Contact Al Petrie at 415-435-7359 or [apetrie@ci.tiburon.ca.us](mailto:apetrie@ci.tiburon.ca.us).

Streets Update

Failed Street Improvement Project:
The Town will be resurfacing portions of Bartel Court, Lyford Drive, Red Hill Circle, St. Gabrielle Court, Santa Ana Court, Paseo Mirasol, Reed Ranch Road, Harbor Oak Drive, Blackfield Drive, Esperanza Street, and East View Avenue beginning October 2007, with completion expected in November. Notices will be provided approximately one week in advance of the work starting on your street. Please anticipate parking restriction and traffic delays. Please call Public Works at 415-435-7354 if you have any questions.

Mar West Overlay: The pavement improvement of Mar West Street between Tiburon Blvd and Esperanza has started. Construction is anticipated to be completed in November 2007. As part of the project, a new pedestrian path will be built to connect the Tiburon Peninsula Club sidewalk with Tiburon Blvd, as well as improved drainage features.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oktoberfest on Main
Enjoy beer, bands and bratwurst at this year's Oktoberfest celebration on Main Street in downtown Tiburon, Friday, Sept. 28, 2007 from 6-9 PM. Easy on the apple strudel!
Bel-Tib Library Community Calendar

For the scoop on events and meetings sponsored by local not-for-profit community and government organizations in Tiburon and Belvedere, visit the Belvedere-Tiburon Library's excellent community calendar.

Candidates Forum for Sanitary 5

The Ark Newspaper and the League of Women Voters are co-sponsoring a Candidates Forum for the Tiburon Sanitary District No. 5 Board of Directors election at 7 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, at Tiburon Town Hall. Voters are encouraged to attend: this is the first time in decades that there has been a contest in the San 5 board race and there are many issues afloat. The six candidates will answer questions from the audience for up to an hour. Voters also will get a chance to meet candidates in other local races. For more information call Deirdre McCrohan, 415-435-2652, or send an e-mail to deirdre@thearknewspaper.com.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Council and Committee Meetings

**Town Council**: Oct. 3 and 17 at 7:30 PM.

**Design Review Board**: Oct. 4 and 18 at 7:00 PM.

**Planning Commission**: Oct. 10 and 24 at 7:30 PM.

All meetings listed are at Tiburon Town Hall, 1505 Tiburon Blvd.

We hope you enjoyed this issue of Tiburon Talk. As always, don’t hesitate to give us a call with your questions (415) 435-7373, send us an email, or visit us at Town Hall.

_Sincerely,_

Town Staff
Town of Tiburon