## The Townhouses @ Crosscreek Road

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## **Looking Back**

The word townhouses to most Lions Bay residents meant a ten-letter word in the late 60's. According to Frank Smith, Lions Bay's first superintendent, the site where the townhouses stand today was the works site for the Logging Company in the 1950's. A shed 30 – 40 feet long stood on the property where equipment was stored and maintained.

A proposed gas station was next in line for Lions Bay's future; but along came Johnny Funk, the builder of the townhouses. They were simply named. "The Cedars". Ten strata townhouses were built close to Harvey Creek, the remaining property was supposed to be developed into a Japanese-style garden or a swimming pool. (pretty fancy idea) Soon the builder ran into financial difficulty and decided to put up ten more units.

The 20 townhouses consist of two separate Stratas.

Strata V.R. 11. 422-440 Crosscreek Road. The 1st 10 unit section. Strata V.R. 18. 402-420 Crosscreek Road. The 2nd 10 unit section

Each Strata has its own Council consisting of anywhere between 3 – 5 Council members. V.R. stands for Vancouver Registry.

The townhouse construction and their ugly appearance enraged Curly Stewart and a group of pioneering villagers wanted to stop it at all costs. The Village was not incorporated at that time and