
CULTUS LAKE

PARK BOARD NEWS

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Message from the Board Chair

Fellow Lakers, the Cultus Lake Park Board would like to take this opportunity to draw your attention to a number of items of common interest. We welcome your feedback which can be directed to, in writing, care of the Cultus Lake Park Board office at 4165 Columbia Valley Highway, Cultus Lake, BC V2R 5B5.

Encroachments

Living on small lots, as most of us do at the lake, can easily lead to problems of encroachments on Park Land or your neighbors' property. We applaud those who are trying to beautify the Park through gardens, art work, etc. but please give the Park Office a call at 604-858-3334 before you plant, dig or build to ensure that your plans won't create unforeseen problems. Asking forgiveness instead of permission is not a good way to do business. As Terasen Gas says, "Call before you dig".

Security

Our Park Patrol and the C.O.P. (Citizens on Patrol) are to be commended for their hard work in keeping Cultus Lake a safe, family-oriented community. If you observe a problem or have a concern in this area, please call Park Patrol at 604.858.5298.

Governance

This topic is still number one in most peoples' mind. To date, six meetings have been held to examine the option of joining Chilliwack. More are slated for the fall so watch for announcements posted in the park. Please note that when this activity is complete there will be public information meetings scheduled later this fall for the purpose of re-capping the study and for answering all your questions. These meetings will be scheduled in the evening to maximize the opportunity for everyone to attend.

Marine Buoys

A recent discussion with Transport Canada officials has led us to believe that with proper signage and moorage we can re-design the moorage and swimming areas to ensure safety and more enjoyment for all. This topic will be discussed over the winter in advance of next season.

Dogs

Just a reminder that "Man's Best Friend" is to be on a leash and under control at all times. Please use the dog swim area to the East of Sunnyside boat launch and the off-leash area behind the mall to let your dogs run free.

Parking Task Force Committee

The Committee has been given the mandate to review parking concerns in Cultus Lake and after 2 meetings made the recommendation to increase the pay parking rate to \$3.00 which the Board approved. Other topics we are reviewing include: metered parking, resident passes, and parking fees in other areas besides the Main Beach and Lakeshore lots. Our next meeting is August 28th, 2009 and we welcome any suggestions. Please address them to the Parking Task Force and send them to the Park Board Office.

For More Information.....

www.cultuslake.bc.ca

Please check our website for an up-to-date schedule of upcoming events, notices and information.

Deferred Taxes

Unlike most communities in B.C. Cultus Lake residents are not allowed to defer their provincial taxes. The rapidly rising land values, higher taxes and fixed incomes can lead to a financial squeeze for some of our residents. We are looking into how we might correct this situation.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Park Board Meetings

August 26, 2009 7:00 PM

September 9, 2009 7:00 PM

September 23, 2009 7:00 PM

October 14, 2009 7:00 PM

October 28, 2009 7:00 PM

Location: Park Office Boardroom

All Regular and Committee Meetings of the Park Board are open to the public.

Brian Nokleby, Board Chair