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**SE 312th closed to parking, but new parking area in the works within the Lake Sawyer Regional Park**

With the passage of Black Diamond Ordinance No. 10-939, parking will become prohibited along both sides of SE 312th Street starting July 1, 2010.

With the ordinance’s passage, Mayor Olness has made it a priority for staff to begin implementation of a temporary parking facility located within the Lake Sawyer Regional Park, with entrance off of Lake Sawyer Road.

Staff is looking into installing between 16-19 parking stalls within the Regional Park with a trail connection that leads down to the water-front for park visitors to utilize.

This project has been fast tracked and staff is hopeful of having the new facility constructed to coordinate with the July 1, 312th parking closure as soon as practically possible.

Currently, permits are in the process of being obtained and temporary parking area construction is being coordinated. Further information will be made available as the project develops. Keep in touch with the City’s website [www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us](http://www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us) for updates.
Soil sampling helping residents understand phosphorus levels in area soil

Ever wondered what types of nutrients are in your soil? Important information if you’re trying to grow a garden or are concerned with keeping your lawn green. With recent interest on the role phosphorus plays within the Black Diamond watershed, City staff has been made aware of a free service being offered by the King Conservation District to test your soil. The testing samples the major nutrients including nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, pH, organic matter and other micronutrients. Each property owner is eligible for up to 5 samples. More information at www.kingcd.org.

As we’ve learned through this process, phosphorous plays an important role in the quality of our local waterways. Too much phosphorus can lead to plankton blooms that can make the water look cloudy and reduce the amount of available oxygen needed for fish and other aquatic species.

What types of products that we use today contain phosphorus? Many soap products such as laundry detergents, soaps to wash your car and dishwasher detergent contain some amount of phosphorus. In addition, many fertilizers contain phosphorus that help make our grass grow and our crops bountiful.

Excess phosphorus can find its way into our local waterways and can contribute to detrimental effects on water quality. With the help of the King Conservation District, we are gaining useful information in learning what levels of nutrients (specifically phosphorus) are in our soils, so that we can better manage our lawns, gardens, pastures, etc. Results of this testing is forthcoming.

For more information, contact Aaron Nix, Natural Resources/Parks Director at (360)886-2560 ext. 220.

Water-friendly dishwasher detergents now available in stores

According to the news release dated June 9, 2010 from the Washington Department of Ecology, new low-phosphate dishwasher detergents are already appearing on grocery store shelves across Washington, making the State ready for a new law that goes into effect July 1, 2010. The new requirement, which will now apply in all 29 counties, requires that all dishwasher detergents have low-phosphate formulas. It applies to the dishwasher detergents for residential uses only, and is part of the State’s ongoing efforts to improve the health of water in our lakes, rivers and streams. Phosphorus that goes down the drain creates water pollution problems, acting as a fertilizer to algae and plants. When the plants and organisms die, their decay uses up oxygen suffocating fish and other aquatic life. Sewage treatment plants can remove much of the phosphorus from our wastewater, but they cannot remove all of it before it reaches rivers, lakes and streams.

The new law requires that dishwasher detergents contain no more than 0.5 percent phosphorus. Previously, the products could contain up to 8.7 percent phosphorus. Because soaps designed for washing dishes by hand are already phosphorus-free, the new requirement affects only soaps used in automatic dishwashers. “The easiest way to remove phosphorus from wastewater is to not put it in to begin with,” said Ecology Director Ted Sturdevant. “Using less phosphorus in dishwasher detergents is something that all citizens can do to help keep our waters clean.”

For more information about the new dishwasher detergent law: www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/nonpoint/phosphorus/PhosphorusBan.html or you can learn how to help protect Washington’s waters at: www.ecy.wa.gov/washington_waters/, the Department of Ecology’s website is: www.ecy.wa.gov.
WATER SAFETY TIPS:

Summer is finally here and people are getting in the water to cool down and have fun. Many people in our area visit lakes, rivers, pools, etc. this time of year. Most people never really think about the dangers that water can present. Did you know drowning is the second leading cause of unintentional injury deaths for Washington children? In 2005, there were 104 unintentional drowning deaths of Washington residents of all ages and 19 of them were under the age of 18. Follow the following tips to keep yourself, family and friends safe.

Life vests save lives- Anytime you are near any open water such as a river, lake, etc., you should be sure to wear a life vest. Many parks and recreation areas have a life vest loaner program so you can use a life vest for the day and return it when you are finished with it. You may also purchase life vests from various agencies for a discounted price. One organization that sells live vests is Safe Kids of King County South. You can visit their website at www.safekidskingcountysouth.com.

Alcohol and open water don’t mix- People should not consume alcohol when they are going to be around open water.

Follow posted warning signs- Many areas with open water will have warning signs. Please read the signs and check with a park ranger, police officer, etc., to see what dangers may exist and if there are any issues that you should be concerned about.

Rivers have hidden dangers- There are many dangers that can be associated with rivers and streams. Many times the water is moving fast, it is cold, it has dangerous obstacles such as trees that may cross the water, etc. Be sure to always wear a life vest when anywhere near moving water.

Children and pets can drown silently in the water- There should always be someone to watch children and pets when they are near the water. This is important because drowning can happen silently and without warning. A designated person should not be drinking alcohol, should know the area, have access to a phone, and should have a life vest. This is important because several people who drown never intended on getting wet.

Have a happy and safe summer!

The Black Diamond Police Department has scheduled a free Adventure in Boating class, which fulfills the requirement needed to obtain your Boaters Education Card

In 2005, a law was passed requiring boat operators to take a boater safety education course in order to operate a boat in Washington state. The card requirement is being phased in from 2008 to 2014. All operators of boats having motors of 15 horsepower or greater are required to have their Boater Safety Education Card with them when operating a boat as follows:

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Upon successful completion of the class, students will only need to send in their application with the following supporting documents to Washington State Parks to get a Boater Education Card.

- Check or money order for $10, made payable to Washington State Parks.
- A legible copy of your proof of course completion or exam certificate (received at the conclusion of the class, upon successful completion).

This class will be held at the Black Diamond Police Department (25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, WA) on Saturday, July 10th from 10 am-3 pm. A minimum of 15 students must sign up for the class. Once again this class is being offered free of charge. To register for the class please contact the Black Diamond Police Department at (253) 631-1012 or email us at ContactUs@police.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us.

### Recently Adopted Ordinances

- **Ordinance No. 09-938** - Authorizing Interfund Loan from Wastewater Capital Fund to the Public Works Capital Fund
- **Ordinance No. 09-939** - Prohibiting Parking on SE 312th Street
- **Ordinance No. 09-940** - Animal Control Regulations
- **Ordinance No. 09-941** - Subdivision Code Amendments
- **Ordinance No. 09-942** - Re-Adoption of Ch. 18.14-Vesting
- **Ordinance No. 09-943** - 2009 International Codes
27 Cities signal intent to join new regional model for animal control, sheltering and licensing

Twenty-seven cities, including Black Diamond, have signed letters of intent to join a collaborative new approach for the provision of animal services, enabling King County Executive Dow Constantine to deliver a comprehensive package to the King County Council for implementation of a new regional model for animal care, control, and licensing.

"With this new regional model the county and cities can provide better public health and safety, animal welfare and customer service, at a lower cost than cities could provide on their own," said Executive Constantine. "At the same time we will continue to work on reforms that earn the respect of the community and lead to innovative partnerships that will reduce future costs." Please visit the King County website for more information on the new regional model at www.kingcounty.gov/safety/AnimalServices/RegionalAnimalServices.

Reminder: King County pet licenses are required for all dogs and cats. Licenses are inexpensive identification and are for your pet's protection and safety. Pet licenses can be purchased at Black Diamond City Hall, 24301 Roberts Drive, Black Diamond, or online at www.kingcounty.gov/safety/AnimalServices/licensing/licensesonline.

New licensing fees effective July 1, 2010
COMMUNITY EVENTS

July 17—Miners Day Celebration—Come one, come all! Railroad Avenue will be busy with activity on Saturday, July 17th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the Railroad Avenue Ribbon Cutting, Miners Day Celebration, and Time Capsule Burial. (See below article for specific information)

August 3 — 27th Annual National Night Out (Check website for updates)

September 4, 5 & 6—Labor Days Festival (See article on page 6 for more information)

♦ 10 a.m.—Railroad Avenue Ribbon Cutting Dedication of reconstruction: New pavement, sidewalks, lamp posts and a complete new Historic look!

♦ 11 a.m.—Time Capsule Burial at the Depot Museum. Celebration of 50 years of Incorporation of the City. The capsule will be opened in the year 2059.

♦ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.—Miners Day Celebration. Railroad Avenue will be CLOSED from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. for vendors to set up their booths and display their products and services. Booth space is only $35 per 10’ x 10’ space. “Sponsor” and Non-profit organizations booth spaces are FREE. We welcome home based participants. Enter Chili Cook-Off as a participant for $15. Live music, Eagles BBQ, Pacific NW BBQ Cook-Off, Chili Cook-Off with “People’s Choice” sampling, Chili judging, Museum, Caboose and Jail will be open for your enjoyment. The Bakery, Gift stores, Meat Market, Book Store and Pizza Deli will be open for your dining, shopping pleasure; plus many interesting vendor items. “Sponsorships” are available for $100, $500, $1,000 +. Sponsor names will appear in the advertised media and their booth space is FREE. It’s easy to become involved in this family oriented Community Event, just give us a call—Chairman, Frank Rinehart (206) 930-5171 or Co-Chair, Keith Watson (360) 886-0778, needed forms will be provided. Come and enjoy this Historic District!
Labor Days need volunteers

Black Diamond Labor Days is once again up and running and looking forward to another great year, sans the rain. The committee is meeting every other Monday 7 p.m. at the Black Diamond Bakery. We have lots of opportunities to volunteer for the festival and are currently looking for a couple to bodies to coordinate a few events that won’t happen if we don’t get help.

The Elementary School Royalty has been selected for the year. We asked the kids to once again help design our Labor Day button and what a turnout we had. Ninety-six designs were submitted making it very hard to select our winners. This year we awarded a winner in each grade and then selected the winning design from those selections.

Look for the Labor Day buttons at local merchants in a couple of weeks. Call Leih at (360) 886-9570 for general questions, Tami at (206) 618-3997 for the Parade, Alicia at (253) 334-5838 for Booth information, Maggie at (360) 886-0300 for program advertising, Frank at (360) 886-1474 for Teen events, and Gary at (360) 886-5280 for the Push Kart Derby. You can pick up Citizenship Award Nomination forms at City Hall. Nominations are being accepted until July 23, 2010. Mail completed forms to BD Labor Days Nomination Committee, PO Box 716, Black Diamond, WA 98010. We'll see everyone on the fields Labor Day!

The button design winners are:

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The City-sponsored Labor Days event kicks off September 4th. A calendar of events is below. For more information please call Leih Mulvihill at (360) 886-2182.
Contact Information

All City Offices Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. — 5 p.m.

CITY HALL
P.O. Box 599 / 24301 Roberts Drive
(360) 886-2560
(253) 631-0351
Fax: (360) 886-2592

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/NATURAL RESOURCES/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
P.O. Box 599 / 24301 Roberts Drive
(360) 886-2560
(253) 631-0351
Fax: (360) 886-2592

POLICE DEPARTMENT
P.O. Box 309 / 25510 Lawson Street
(253) 631-1012
Fax: (360) 886-2901

MUNICIPAL COURT
P.O. Box 599 / 25510 Lawson Street
(360) 886-7784
Fax: (360) 886-7758

FIRE DEPT. DISTRICT #44
(253) 735-0284

PUBLIC WORKS
P.O. Box 599 / 24301 Roberts Drive
(360) 886-2560
(253) 631-0351
Fax: (360) 886-2592

UTILITY AFTER HOURS (EMERGENCY PAGER)
(253) 333-5555

Check out our website at www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us

Council/Commission/Committee Meetings

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
25510 LAWSON STREET
- JUL 1 - 7 p.m.
- JUL 15 - 7 p.m.
- AUG 5 - 7 p.m.
- AUG 19 - 7 p.m.

COUNCIL WORKSTUDIES
25510 LAWSON STREET
- AUG 26 - 5 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION
25510 LAWSON STREET
- JUL 6 - 7 p.m.
- AUG 10 - 7 p.m.

FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 9 and JUL 30 - 9 a.m.
AUG 13 and AUG 27 - 9 a.m.

PARKS/CEMETERY COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
Dates to be determined

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 6 and JUL 27 - 4 p.m.
AUG 10 and AUG 24 - 4 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 22 - 4 p.m.
AUG 26 - 4 p.m.

PLANNING/COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
Dates to be determined

ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE TENTATIVE, CHECK WEBSITE FOR ANY CHANGES. MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM

Monthly meetings for City Council are held the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Planning Commission meetings are held on the first Tuesday after the first Council meeting at 7 p.m. each month (unless otherwise noted). Please contact the Clerks office for more information or meeting materials at (360) 886-2560 or check out the City Clerks webpage at www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us/Depts/Clerk.