

January 2021 NEWSLETTER FROM WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



Photo by Mary Swansburg 2020

Dear Property-owners: We've had a great year for skating so far. The lake was as smooth as glass for a while, then the Lion's skating rink, well-managed by wonderful volunteers, was available for everyone's skating pleasure. It may all be coming to an end, though, with warm temperatures, snow and rain predicted for the coming week. But...spring is just around the corner!

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For the first time in several years, the board has a full slate of 5 trustees representing property-owners who live on and around Wasa Lake. Members include chair Sharon Prinz, Ged Kelly, Phil Godsave, Nowell Berg, and newly elected Tom Braumandl. The first board meeting of the year was held January 28 via ZOOM, a virtual platform now approved by the Ministry for public meetings. The reason for the change is, of course, the need to reduce physical proximity which can spread COVID-19. All meetings remain publicly accessible, though, so simply contact us for the login information if you wish to attend. Everyone is welcome!

WATER

Even though the lake is covered with ice, the board's main concern remains water and they continue to address this mandate throughout the winter. Trustee Nowell has been busy entering historical water data on the [Columbia Basin Water Hub](#), a brand new database designed to collect and store information about water throughout our area. This information is crucial in tracking and predicting changes related to water quality and quantity, particularly in relation to climate change. We are excited that our water data will soon be available to everyone and we will let you know more asap. All prospective datahub users are invited to fill out a survey, available until February 3rd, [at this link](#) and on our homepage.

In addition to the regular summer lake water sampling to monitor clarity, temperature, ecoli, and oxygen, trustees decided to conduct full spectrum water testing to establish a comprehensive baseline against which to compare any future changes in local water quality and content. If you want to know what's really in the lake water, read the full CARO Laboratories report and summary on our homepage at www.wasalake.ca

The next regular board meeting will be held **March 4 at 7 pm** either at the Wasa Community Hall or by ZOOM. The venue will be announced in February's electronic newsletter and on the homepage of our website. People who wish to attend ZOOM meetings are requested to email admin@wasalake.ca for the log-in info. Everyone is welcome to attend board meetings but because last minute changes do sometimes occur, it is wise to check the website on the day of the meeting at www.wasalake.ca to confirm the schedule and download the agenda. If you wish to address the board, please notify the secretary at admin@wasalake.ca

See you...maybe virtually!

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If you have comments or questions, please contact the secretary at admin@wasalake.ca

