

# The Hill Creek Chronicle

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## Reminders:

### Your Homeowners Association Board

Your current Board members are: Jeff Shaver (President), Morten Haastrup (Vice President), and Tom Giese (Secretary). You can contact the Board any time. See below.

### Want to Contact the HOA Board?

Visit our website at [www.hillcreekhoa.com](http://www.hillcreekhoa.com) or contact the association manager Lori Nicolaus at 253-202-2673

### Get ACC Approval for Projects

Please remember to get approval from the Architecture Control Committee (ACC) for your projects (this includes exterior painting and roof replacement). Download or copy the application form and mail or deliver it to the ACC as directed. If you are unsure whether or not you need approval, e-mail the ACC at [acc@hillcreekhoa.com](mailto:acc@hillcreekhoa.com) or call the association manager.

### Review the Regulations and Covenants

If you are unfamiliar with our rules and regulations and have questions, you can download them from our website or contact the association manager to request a paper copy.

## Milton Stormwater Bill

When our neighborhood was annexed by the City of Milton, the City took over our stormwater utility. The City started to bill homeowners after verifying with King County that we were no longer being charged for stormwater as part of our property taxes. The City codes stipulate that every parcel in the City must pay into the stormwater utility. The City recently reached out to the HOA to help communicate with the homeowners, as there are some that have not been paying the stormwater bill. This bill takes the place of the stormwater fee we were previously being charged through our King County property taxes. Based on what King County charged for stormwater management in 2019 the amount charged by the City of Milton is equivalent or less. If you have questions about the stormwater charges, please feel free to Contact Jamie Carter with the City of Milton at 253-517-2708.

## Burning Yard Waste is Illegal

Recently, it was noticed that a homeowner appeared to be burning yard debris. For those that are not aware, burning yard debris is illegal in all urbanized areas of King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties under the regulation of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. If reported, fines

for illegal fires typically start at \$2,000 plus the cost to reimburse the fire department for their response efforts. Only recreational fires are allowed such as cooking fires, charcoal barbecues, and campfires that are contained in fire pits, chimineas, outdoor fireplaces, or the like and are in designated areas or on private property.

## Poo-Poo in the Park

Recently, the park has been getting hit hard with pet waste. As stated many times before, it is the owner's responsibility to clean up after their pet. To aid in this, the HOA will be installing a pet waste station at the park entrance and there is already a garbage can at the park, so no more excuses for any of us not to clean up after our pet!

## HOA Board Openings

The HOA Board currently has three members. There must be at least two and traditionally the Board has consisted of four members, though there can be more. The Board can appoint new members to fill vacancies at any time. So, if you are interested in serving on the Board or would like to know more about what the Board does, please e-mail the Board at [board@hillcreek.com](mailto:board@hillcreek.com).

## Nextdoor and Facebook

If you haven't already, please sign up for Nextdoor and like the Hill Creek HOA Facebook page so that you can stay informed on what is going on in our neighborhood and the surrounding community. To join Nextdoor, visit [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com) and sign up using your address and e-mail. Make sure you select the Hill Creek neighborhood when you sign up.

