
STRATMOOR NEWS

Stratmoor Hills Water, Sanitation & Fire Protection Districts

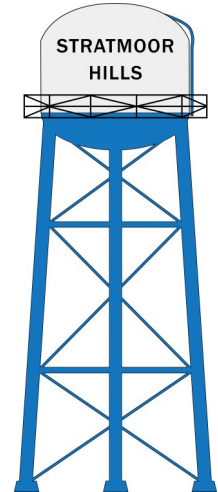
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Big Plans For 2025

The Stratmoor Hills Water and Sanitation Districts have several major projects scheduled for the coming year. The following are descriptions of a few of them:

- ◆ **Colorado Springs Utilities Interconnect Project**—this project will provide backup service to the district in the event that the Fountain Valley Authority (FVA) water treatment plant cannot deliver water to the Water District as it normally does. This project is being constructed by the district using ARPA grant funding. Velocity Constructors has been awarded the contract to construct our facilities beginning in the Spring of 2025.
- ◆ **South Booster Water Tank Re-coating Project**—Once the interconnect project is completed, the Water District will begin re-coating both the interior and exterior of the district's 2.5 million gallon water storage tank. It has been 25 years since this tank was last painted, and the district received a Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund grant to cover one half of the cost of this project. This project is expected to start in the Fall of 2025, or Spring of 2026.
- ◆ **Sewer Maintenance Project**—The Sanitation District will continue to conduct a complete sewer system assessment this year, and has budgeted funds to outsource the cleaning of the most troublesome mains that are identified. This will certainly reduce the number of sewer main backups and allow the district to provide more reliable service. The district plans to purchase a new sewer vacuum truck in the Fall of this year.



See us on the website at:
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DRC Construction Services will be cleaning sewer lines within our district over the next few weeks. Their crews will be working in the streets so please use caution in the work zone.

Thank you for your patience while this cleaning process is completed!



The Stratmoor Hills Water and Sanitation Districts would like to extend our thanks to all who contributed to the 2024 Annual Holiday Food and Toy Drive and “pay it forward” donations to assist residents in keeping their water on.

Your contributions have assisted more than 80 of our residents in 2024!

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - January 3, 2025
Payments Due - January 15, 2025
Late Notices Mailed - January 16, 2025
Shut Off Payments Due - January 28, 2025
Shut Off Day - January 29, 2025
Meter Read Date - January 31, 2025

If you believe you may be late making your payment, please call us to make arrangements to avoid the \$30.00 delinquent fee.

STRATMOOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION - <http://www.stratmoorhills.org/contact.php>

SEWER PROBLEMS

If you have problems with your sewer line, please give us a call first so that we can determine if it is your service line or our main line. If it is in your line, we will notify you promptly. If it is our problem, we will take care of it immediately.



Happy New Year from all of us at the Fire Station!!!

2024 was once again a busy year for us all here!!!

- Our calls for service continue to increase every year and this year was no exception – we have already responded to over 2100 calls.
- The Steven E. Carter recruit class graduated twelve (12) recruits on Saturday, October 19, 2024 at the Church for all Nations. We are very proud of all of their hard work and effort they put in to become certified Firefighter's – we will start another Fire Academy in February 2025. We are very Thankful to the church for letting us use their facility.
- As always we had our annual Department Christmas party, we had a great time with food, a wonderful comedian along with great friends and family. At the annual dinner, the department recognized several members with the following awards: Driver/Engineer Brad Aragon was honored with the Distinguished Leadership award; Volunteer Sebastian Candelaria was honored with the Firefighter of the Year award and Recruit Brandon Walker was honored with the Recruit of the Year award. Chief Bittle also recognized Anthony Patalano as Instructor of the Year award. We are very proud of all four (4) and wish them continued success in 2025.
- Our biggest news for 2024 was the Mill Levy Ballot question was passed by the voters. We will be hiring more personnel, purchasing a new Tactical tender, increasing the volunteer members stipend and much more.
- There will be two (2) Board of Directors positions up for Election in May of 2025 – look for the announcement in February's newsletter.

We want to wish everyone a safe and prosperous 2025 New Year and would like to assure the residents of our community, that the men and women of the Stratmoor Hills Fire Department will be there if you need us.

Our business line is 719.576.1200

To all of those that contributed to our Annual Toy Drive for Christmas Unlimited; we want to say "Thank you" very much for all the donations. Christmas Unlimited always tells us we are one of the busiest Fire Stations when it comes to Toy Donations!

Stratmoor News is published monthly by the Stratmoor Hills Water, Fire Protection and Sanitation Districts. For questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact Kirk Medina, at 576-0311. The Stratmoor Hills Water, Fire Protection and Sanitation Districts are governed by an individual, elected Boards of Directors. Currently, the members for each of the three Boards are: Robert Colgrove—Chairperson/President, James Pesicka—Vice Chairperson/President, John Willcox—Secretary/Treasurer, Cindy Dent—Director, and Richard Dull—Director.

Board elections are held in May of odd-numbered years. Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Fire Station (2160 "B" Street). Meeting agendas are posted at the Water District office (1811 "B" Street), the Fire Station and at the Stratmoor Elementary School (200 Loomis Avenue). If you would like more information about the Districts, please contact Kirk Medina at the Water and Sanitation Districts at 576-0311 or by e-mail at kirk@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com