
STRATMOOR NEWS

Stratmoor Hills Water, Sanitation & Fire Protection Districts

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Your Water System

There are 5 key stages in our municipal water systems:

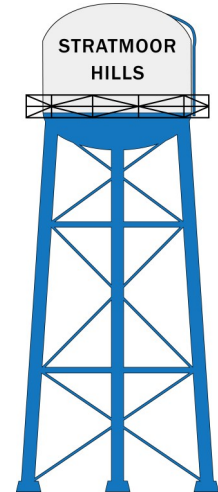
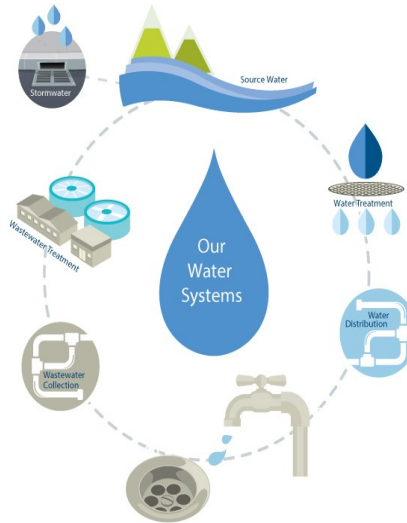
Source Water—the lakes, rivers, and underground aquifers that are the source of our water supply, fed by rain and melting snow.

Water Treatment—the processes to filter and purify water so that it is safe for human consumption.

Water distribution systems—the pipes and pumps that deliver clean water to our taps. In Stratmoor Hills there are almost 22 miles of underground water pipes.

Wastewater Collection Systems—the pipes and pumps that take away used water from our toilets, drains, bathtubs, and laundry. These are also called Sewers.

Wastewater Treatment—the process to remove contaminants from our used water so that it can be safely returned to the environment. Currently, Stratmoor Hills Sanitation District contracts with Colorado Springs utilities for our wastewater treatment.



See us on the website at:
stratmoorhillswater.org

The Stratmoor Hills Water and Sanitation Districts main office will be closed on February 15, 2021.



New Board Member Appointment

At the January 20, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting, the Board appointed Mr. Joseph Novak to the vacant position due to the passing of Mr. Thomas Wehrkamp. Mr. Novak is long time resident of the Stratmoor Hills Community and currently owns and operates, Joe's Electric. This appointment will be a 1-year term and will be up for election in May of 2022. We look forward to having Mr. Novak on the Board of Directors and bringing him up-to-date on all the happenings of the Districts. The Board also elected new Officers at the January meeting as followed: Robert Colgrove Chairperson, James Pesticke Vice-Chairperson, and John Willcox Secretary/ Treasurer.

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - February 3, 2021

Payments Due - February 12, 2021

Late Notices Mailed - February 16, 2021

Shut Off Payments Due - February 23, 2021

Shut Off Day - February 24, 2021

Meter Read Date - February 26, 2021

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.



MORE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FIRE STATION

- As we reported in the January newsletter – Board President Thomas Wehrkamp died in December and at the Board Meeting on January 20, 2021 the Board appointed Joseph Novak to replace Mr. Wehrkamp until the May 2022 general election.
- Due to COVID19 the department’s annual Christmas party was cancelled, however, we were able to have an Awards Dinner on Thursday, January 28, 2021 and the following members were honored:

Lindsey Taylor was voted Employee of the Year.
Nick Lawson was voted Volunteer Firefighter of the Year.
Signe Gabrielson was voted Volunteer EMT of the Year.
Jaclyn Wheeler was voted Volunteer Recruit of the Year.

- The 2021 Firefighter I Class will begin on Monday, February 15, 2021 – in honor of Retired Fire Chief Marwin L. Parker – this class has been named The MLP FFI Class of 2021! It is a tradition in the Fire Service to name recruit classes after former members to show honor. There are approximately twenty-five (25) recruits going through this class and they should be trained, tested, and certified in six (6) months.
- In 2020 the department received a donation that is allowing staff to remodel the kitchen / dining room area and some of the office area as well. Construction will begin soon, and we are excited for it to get finished!
- We are extremely proud of our volunteers – they cover four (4) shifts a month, attend 4-6 trainings monthly and are always willing to pull extra duty for community events. The Fire Department started as a Volunteer Fire Department and continues the tradition of having volunteers. A lot of the young men and women that come through our doors are eager and excited and some leave us for career jobs with bigger departments down the road. If you see a bunch of cars at the Fire Station on Thursday and Saturday’s – please know they are working hard to ensure they are trained to help when needed.

Stratmoor News is published monthly by the Stratmoor Hills Water, Fire Protection and Sanitation Districts. For questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact Kevin Niles, 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, Dianne Cooper—Director, and Joseph Novak—Director.

Board elections are held in May of even-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 Kevin Niles at the Water and Sanitation Districts at 576-0311 or by e-mail at kevin@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com