STRATMOOR NEWS

Stratmoor Hills Water, Sanitation & Fire Protection Districts

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2022 A YEAR IN REVIEW:

2022 has been another busy year for all of us including everyone here at the Water and Sanitation Districts. Here are a few things that came out of 2022:

- The District has seen some changes with the staff in 2022. We have hired two new Field Technicians and we also have a new Customer Service Representative on staff.
- The Water District replaced 450 linear feet of water main along Stratmoor Dr.
- The District finally finished the new water treatment facility off Glenarm Rd. We have now made the switch to using our groundwater rights and we take water from the Fountain Valley Authority when absolutely necessary.
- The Water District made substantial upgrades to our SCADA System which monitors our infrastructure. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems are **used for controlling, monitoring, and analyzing industrial devices and processes**. The system consists of both software and hardware components and enables remote and on-site gathering of data from the industrial equipment.
- A Special shout-out to the District's Field Crew for responding to emergency breaks throughout the past year. The crew has worked through the night and during inclement weather to make sure services were restored in a timely manner. They have responded to 30+ Service Repairs and 22+ Water Main Repairs.
- The Office Staff continues to serve the community of Stratmoor Hills. The Office Staff is always eager to assist the customers with issues related to their services, bills, or other possible concerns.



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See us on the website at: stratmoorhillswater.org

No matter where you are digging, **Call 811** at least a few days before you start any digging project.



Cold Weather Reminder

Please make certain any exposed water pipe is well insulated or drained. Garden hoses should be disconnected from faucets and sprinkler lines should be drained. It is also helpful to know the location of the water shut off valve to your home in case a pipe does break. It is usually located in the basement or crawl space, on a wall facing the street. - If you have a broken water pipe and you are unable to isolate it, please contact our office at; 719-576-0311 and a service representative will be happy to provide assistance at any time.

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - January 5, 2023
Payments Due - January 13, 2023
Late Notices Mailed - January 17, 2023
Shut Off Payments Due - January 24, 2023
Shut Off Day - January 25, 2023
Meter Read Date - January 31, 2023

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.

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Stratmoor Hills Fire Protection District



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

2022 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 2300 calls and should finish the year at the same call volume as 2021.

In 2022 we added a group called SOCO to the ranks of the department – these volunteers respond when we have a large Wildland Fire and help the on-duty crew with manpower, tools, vehicles etc. They also patrol the area on high fire danger days and help be a lookout for any fires.

The Chief Charles M. Brown Memorial recruit class graduated four (4) recruits on Saturday, October 1. 2021 at the Stratmoor Hills United Methodist Church. 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 2023. We are very Thankful to the church for letting us use their facility.

We welcomed Cindy Dent and Richard Dull to the Board of Directors, and they have been a wonderful addition!

There will be three (3) Board of Directors positions up for Election in May of 2023 – look for the announcement in February's newsletter.

This year we were able to have our annual Department Christmas party and we had a great time with food, DJ and great friends and family. At the annual dinner the department recognized several members with awards: Driver/Engineer Tara Bosch was honored with the Distinguished Leadership award; Volunteer Jennifer Jones was honored with the Firefighter of the Year award and Recruit Matthew Fifield was honored with the Recruit of the Year award. We are very proud of all three (3) and wish them continued success in 2023.

We recently were informed that our guest speaker from the 2021 dinner, Chief Bobby Halton who was the Editor in Chief of Firehouse magazine recently passed away and we are thinking of his family.

We want to wish everyone a safe and prosperous 2023 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 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, Cindy Dent—Director, and Richard Dull—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