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Stratmoor Hills Water, Sanitation & Fire Protection Districts

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A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

(NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF) §1-13.5-501, 1-13.5-1102(3), 32-1-905(2), C.R.S.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the

Stratmoor Hills Water and Sanitation Districts of El Paso County, Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 2nd day of

May 2023, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, 3 (three)

directors will be elected to serve a 4-year (four) term. Eligible electors of the

Stratmoor Hills Water and Sanitation Districts interested in serving on the

board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO): Kevin W. Niles @ 1811 B Street Colorado Springs, CO 80906 (DEO Address) 719.576.0311 (DEO Telephone) The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday – Friday from 08:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm. The

deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on Friday, February 24, 2023 (not less

than 67 days before the election). Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the

office of the designated election official by the close of business on Monday, February

27, 2023 (the sixty-fourth day before the election). NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, an

application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no

later than the close of business on Tuesday preceding the election April 25, 2023.





See us on the website at: stratmoorhillswater.org

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - February 3, 2023
Payments Due - February 15, 2023
Late Notices Mailed - February 16, 2023
Shut Off Payments Due - February 21, 2023
Shut Off Day - February 22, 2023

Meter Read Date - February 28, 2023

If you believe you may be late making your payment, please call us to make arrangements

2023 RATE INCREASE TO TAKE EFFECT FEBRUARY 1, 2023

In January 2023 the Stratmoor Hills Water District Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve a 3% rate increase on the water service charges and water volume charges. Due to the current economic climate and the raise in inflation, every business has implemented an increase in prices. Especially within the goods and materials industry. The Water District has seen a substantial increase in our business costs over the past two years and we must raise our charges to accommodate these changes. Additional reasons for this adjustment are rising overhead costs such as utilities, transport and wages. The Water District infrastructure is extremely outdated and in need of constant repairs and replacement. This increase will allow us the ability to improve the quality of service provided.

This rate increase will not affect your Sanitation rates. The rate increase is only for the Water Distribution System. This was a tough decision to make as we understand how this affects our customers. Therefore, we thank you for your ongoing support and trust that these changes will help us continue providing you with premium quality and service.

Please visit the District website to view the updated rates @ https://stratmoorhillswater.org/

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



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

As most of you know the Stratmoor Hills Fire, Water and Sanitation Districts are governed by a "Board of Directors." This group meets once a month at the Fire Station; they set goals, provide financial oversight and guidance to the District managers and staff. We have five (5) seats on each Board and three (3) of those positions are open for election this year. All three (3) Directors will be elected to serve a four-year (4) term,

The Board of Directors Election is set for Tuesday, May 2, 2023, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. at the Fire Station. The Call for Nomination's is Sunday, January 22nd thru Thursday, February 16, 2023; with a deadline of Friday, February 24, 2023, to submit a Self-Nomination Form. The last day to file Affidavits of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate with the DEO is Monday, February 27, 2023.

When considering running for a seat on the Board of Directors please keep in mind that all three (3) Districts are separate entities, and each has their own Board of Directors that governs it. We have been very fortunate for many years that all three Districts have had the same five Board members. If you decide to run for a position, you should consider running for all three Districts. All three Districts need someone who has the time, commitment, and the desire to help improve the District and the ability to lead the Districts into the future.

We invite all interested residents (must have lived in the District for more than 30-days), homeowners and property owners to self-nominate by visiting DEO Dottie Barrett for the Fire Department at 2160 B Street, Monday – Friday between the hours of 08:30 – 5:00 pm before Friday, February 24, 2023, to fill out your application. This is an important and fulfilling opportunity for those of you who want to help guide the future and support and serve the residents of this area.

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 719-576-0311 or by e-mail at kevin@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 719-576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com