



Newsletter

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Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District

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Billing Office Hours

Mondays: 9:00 am—2:00 pm

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Thursdays: 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Board of Commissioners meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at 1:00 pm in the District Office. All meetings are open to the public.

Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District is not associated with or governed by the Hartstene Pointe Maintenance Association. Please direct water-sewer service related questions to the District.

Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Well #4 Approved and Online!!

What This Means for The Community

The District is pleased to inform Hartstene Pointe that Well #4 has been fully approved for operation and use by the Department of Health. This means that the District can now supply enough water to meet peak demands without major usage restrictions.



Additionally, this will allow the District to take much of the burden off of Well #2 without reducing the overall flow of water to the residents of the Pointe.

What Your Support Means to the District

Projects like Well #4 can take a great deal of time, resources and teamwork to complete. They require coordination with regulatory agencies, various contractors and engineers in order to ensure steps are not missed and public health and safety is being considered from all angles.

Still, what is even more important to the successful completion of a project such as Well #4 is the cooperation and dedication of the homeowners within the Pointe. That said, the Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District's Board of Commissioners and staff would like to express their *sincerest thanks and appreciation* to the community members of Hartstene Pointe for the patience and support that has been shown throughout this project.

Commissioner Vacancies

Are you a resident of Hartstene Pointe? Are you free the first and third Thursdays of every month at 1 PM? If so, have you considered being a part of the Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District's Board of Commissioners? The District is expecting one vacancy to be filled via appointment in early January and another to be filled, also by appointment, in February. If you are interested in participating at the board level, please contact the General Manager.

The Board invites applicants to submit letters of interest for consideration by 2:00 pm on December 3, 2019 by email or to the district office, 772 E Chesapeake Drive, Shelton WA 98584. The board will review letters of interest and select applicants for interviews at its regular meeting on December 5, 2019 at 1:00 pm at the District Office.



Drippy the Droplet's Water-Saving Tip:

"Proper winterization of pipes within and around your home is an important part of conservation. Help your water system beat the cold and prevent leaks. Winterize!"

Watch for more of Drippy's tips in future newsletters and on our website, hpwatersewer.com

General Manager's Report

The holidays are upon us and the year is quickly winding to an end. It is hard to believe that it is almost 2020! With that, there are a couple of things that I want to make sure you are informed about concerning the end of the 2019 year.



We had delayed the installation of a generator at our Promontory sewer lift station due to the fact that the Well #4 project had taken much more time than originally anticipated. With this project now behind us we intend to begin installation of the generator as soon as possible and hope to have this project completed by the end of December 2019.

The other item of note is that the District will be doing some trenching around the Clubhouse as well as around Well #4 in the months of November and December. This project is a joint project with PUD #3 to install fiber optic service to both the Clubhouse and both of our Well sites. We will make sure that the areas are clearly marked; however, we do ask that you exercise caution around open trenches as they can pose a potential fall/trip hazard.

As always, thank for your ongoing support and for partnering with us as we strive to serve this beautiful community.

Happy Holidays!

- David Carnahan, General Manager

Water System Flushing

District staff will perform annual water system flushing between November 1 and November 30. This helps clear out any sediments that may accumulate in water lines.

Contact the district if you have any questions.

Commissioner's Corner

The HPWSD Board of Commissioners has an up-coming "crisis." We need candidates for two of our three commissioner positions, starting in the new year. The current Commissioners are:



Andy Hospador – Appointed to replace Roger Ray in 2015 and elected to a 6-year term in 2017.

Dave McNabb – Elected to a 6-year term in 2015. He has stated his intention to resign in January 2020. His term will run out in 2021.

Carl Swenson – Appointed to replaced Robert Scarola. Carl has stated he will not be able to accept an appointment after his term expires in December. Robert is on the ballot in November, but will not be able to fill the position. The two-year term would expire at the end of 2021.

What are the demands on and requirements for you to become a member of the Board of Commissioners?

- You must be a legal Resident of Mason County and Hartstene Pointe. That is, this is the address where you vote.
- You must have an interest in sustaining the high-quality, dependable service to our water and sewer customers, who are our neighbors.
- Experience in business, accounting, management, science, or engineering a plus, but not required.
- Attend meetings: The Board twice a month, plus special meetings like the annual Retreat, the Annual Meeting, and budget discussion meetings. Meeting schedules are determined by the Board, and absentee attendance by Skype is possible.
 - Commissioners are eligible to receive per diem compensation, as well as insurance benefits.
- Prepare to make decisions on the issues that the District encounters: Asset management, budgets, water metering, emergency preparedness, etc.
- Training: Required to take the Open Public Meetings Act and Public Records Act training (online at WA state auditor site).
- Optional Training: Attend conferences by Evergreen Rural Water of Washington, Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts or American Waterworks Assc. Mileage and expenses paid by HPWSD.

Come and attend a Board meeting and see what we do. Maybe you'll find the inspiration to join us.

Andy Hospador, Secretary, HPWSD Board of Commissioners

Have a fun and safe holiday season!