



Newsletter

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Board of Commissioners meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month at 1 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.

Water Plant Improvements Will Begin This Fall

Following more than four years of planning and design, the District's Water Treatment Plant Improvements project will be underway this fall. The project will optimize the water treatment process by replacing outdated, inefficient, and failing drinking water treatment equipment. The result will be improved drinking water quality and treatment efficiency, increased water source flexibility, and water conservation.

The project will include replacement of failing water filtration and control systems, the addition of water quality monitoring equipment, and an upgrade of the SCADA system to allow remote real time monitoring, providing a better response time to equipment issues.

The \$1.3 million project is being paid for with a 20-year, 1.5% interest loan through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

The contractor for the project has been selected and construction will begin this fall. The water system improvements should be completed this winter.

Upon completion, the District will be able to insure better water quality and system reliability for many years to come.



Hartstene Pointe's current drinking water filtration system



Filtration system similar to what will be used in the new water treatment system

Commissioners' Appeal

To Our Valued Customers,

We appreciate the community's interest in the operation of the District. Your observations and reporting of potential system problems is very important to our success in preventing and addressing costly issues. **It is important that these reports are made directly to the District Office at (360) 427-2413.** Our telephone system will connect you with our general manager's cell phone day or night. He can then evaluate the situation and respond accordingly.

Please do not contact HPMA staff regarding water and sewer related questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Board of Commissioners
Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District

Well Replacement Update

The District has awarded the contract for drilling of the Well 1 replacement. The project is slated to begin in late September. We had hoped to begin drilling sooner, however the District's original request for quotes produced only one bid, therefore the project was re-bid in order to produce multiple quotes.

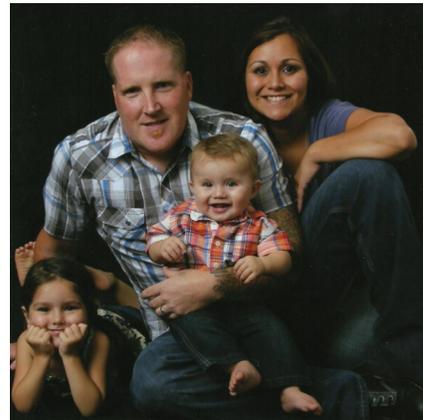
The replacement well will increase water production. In the past, Well 1 produced 50 gallons per minute (gpm), however current production is averaging only 35 gpm. The new well will be designed to produce its water right of 110 gpm, or upwards of 108,000 additional gallons of water per day. With proper maintenance, the new well should last 50 years or longer.

During the well drilling, residents can expect loud noises emanating from the drill site throughout the Pointe. Construction will take place no earlier than 8:00 am and no later than 5:00 pm.

Until the new well is on-line, the District asks homeowners, renters, and guests to take extra care to conserve water. Visit our website, hpwatersewer.com, for water-saving tips.

Meet Our New Wastewater Operator

Hartstene Pointe's wastewater plant has a new operator. Marty Grabill, owner of MDG Wastewater and Water Treatment, is a licensed Group II Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator with twelve years of wastewater experience.



Marty has received multiple awards from the Department of Ecology for his exceptional work at the Rustlewood and Taylor Bay Beach Club wastewater treatment plants. He has also earned commendations from the Mason County Commissioners and Mason County Director of Public Works for continued excellence.

We are excited to welcome Marty to our team. He has already made valuable and essential improvements to our wastewater treatment processes and equipment.

Upcoming Special Meetings

- **Emergency Management Plan Work Session:** October 20th, 10:00 am at the District Office, 772 E Chesapeake Drive.
- **2017 Budget Work Session:** November 3rd, 10:00 am at the District Office.
- **2017 Budget Hearing:** November 12th, 10:00 am at the HPMA Clubhouse, 202 Pointes Drive East.

All meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend.



Drippy the Droplet's Water-Saving Tip:

"To cut down on water waste, put two inches of sand or pebbles inside each of two plastic bottles to weigh them down. Fill the bottles with water, screw the lids on, and put them in your toilet tank. This can save ten or more gallons of water per day."

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