

Pinewood Springs Water District Newsletter

December 1, 2011

Water District

At the **November special hearing**, the 2012 Budget was presented and approved (adopted) by the Board. For a copy, please contact this office. Also approved (at the **Special Hearing** for a possible changes to the Rules and Regulations) was a \$4.54 rate increase and a penalty for past due balances (older than 90 days) of 1.5% (interest charge) of the unpaid balance in addition to the late payment fee. Both of these increases will go into effect on your February 1st 2012 bill.

The District would like to remind everyone that if your house is vacant for a longer period of time this winter, in addition to turning the water off inside your home, please have the water turned off at the meter. The cold temps can cause pipes to freeze and burst not just in your house, but also in your yard. Homeowners are responsible for waterline leaks between the house and the meter.

Meeting change notice: The December meeting normally scheduled for the 4th Wednesday of the month has been moved to Monday night, **December 12th**, 7:00 pm at the Firehouse.

For any questions or to be included on the agenda for the next Board meeting, please call Gabi at 303-823-5345. The Board can be contacted by emailing all@pwswd.com.

Fire District

A question has been asked about the operation of the emergency phone located at the front of the Firehouse during power outages. Chief Wilcox has assured us that, yes, the phone still works. To report emergency situations using that phone, the procedure is as follows: lifting the receiver and pressing the call button will connect you to the 911 switchboard. You have 2 minutes of call time. If your emergency report takes longer, you will have to press the call button again.

In the event of any **emergency** situation here in Pinewood, **always dial 911**.

The next Fire Board meeting is the 2nd Tuesday (**December 13th**). For information about the Fire District, please visit the web site: www.pinewoodspringsfire.org. For information on Fire Mitigation and other wildfire issues, please access the Larimer County website <http://www.larimer.org/wildfire/>

Road Board

The road board crew has placed and filled sand barrels beside our roads at problem locations throughout **Pinewood Springs**. You are encouraged to spread the sand to add traction under snowy or icy conditions at intersections and on hills using the scoops placed in each barrel. If you have an old shovel, your neighbors will appreciate it if you put it out by your local sand barrel. If you notice a barrel that needs to be refilled, please leave a message on the road board message line.

As always, please report any road problems or requests to the Road Board message service, 895-3848. Board meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the month (**Dec 6th and Jan 3rd**) at 7:00 PM at the Firehouse. Please enter through the back door.

Pinewood Springs Community Church News

On Christmas Eve, Saturday, **December 24th**, there will be a soup supper at 5PM in Fellowship Hall of the church, followed by candlelight service at 7PM. On Christmas morning, **December 25th**, the services begin at 10:00 am with Christmas carols and a Christmas story.

There is no Sunday school in December. Regular Church services are at 10:00 am.

Property Owners Association

The weather has finally allowed completion of the Bulletin Board project. Many thanks to Ed and Kay Daugherty for all their hard work on this project. Art Caruso, Vashek Berka and Steve Fitzgerald assisted with the project. The PWS newspaper carrier organized and labeled the tubes. Thanks to all the supply and materials donors (Ray Cote, Marshall Prince, Tom Payne, Dan Marshall, the PSPOA and other residents from both PWS and EPE) as well.

The next meeting will be held on **December 21st** at 7:00 pm at the Firehouse (backdoor). We welcome your presence and your input. The PSPOA Board can be reached via email at pspoa@pwswd.com.

About 40 residents attended the meeting with Larimer County Sheriff Justin Smith. One of the main items of concern was speeding on PWS roads (mainly Kiowa) and on Hwy 36 to Estes and Lyons. Sheriff Smith said that he would try to increase traffic control in those areas. Many thanks to Dennis and Anita Lunt for organizing this meeting.