

Pinewood Springs Newsletter

December 2014

Water District

At the November Special Hearing and subsequent regular meeting, the Board motioned to raise the System Improvement Fee from \$18.00 to \$19.50. The charge for water will also be increased from \$0.50 per 100 gallons to \$0.60 for usage up to 3000 gallons; from \$0.75 to \$0.95 for usage between 3001 to 6000 gallons and any usage over 6000 gallons will be charged at \$4.00 per 100 gallons. The Fine system for usage over 6000 gallons remains the same. The tap fee will continue to be calculated as it always has been. The District has been saving the increased revenue from past years rate increases to do the much-needed repairs on the storage tanks. The cost to repair all 5 tanks is estimated at \$300,000.00

Because Larimer County is planning the Kiowa Little T Bridge reconstruction right after the first of the year (see road news below) and because the current water pipeline is in the new bridge's path, the District will be moving the Kiowa pipeline sometime in December or January depending on weather. Water will be out for at least one full day to anyone living north and east of the river crossing (Kiowa islanders). Not sure about the timing yet, but we will try to let everyone know.

The gallery and pump station reconstruction is finished. The excavation crew has moved to the Seneca Bridge and is currently working on cutting the channel across the Little T for the Seneca line reconnection. Carl will reconnect it as soon as possible, weather permitting.

Meeting Change Notice Because of the Christmas Holidays and the need to set the new MIL levy before December 15th, the December meeting date has been changed to December 10th.

To be included on the agenda for the next Water Board meeting call Gabi at 823-5345 or email at pswdadmin@att.net

Fire District

NOTICE OF BUDGET: Notice is hereby given that: a proposed budget has been submitted to the Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District for the ensuing year of 2015; a copy of such proposed budget has been filed in the office of the Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District, where same is open for public inspection by calling the budget officer, Carl D. Pender, at 303-823-5926, to schedule an appointment; such proposed budget will be considered at a public hearing at the beginning of the regular meeting of the Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District to be held at the firehouse located at 61 Kiowa Dr. on December 9, 2014 at 7:00pm. Any interested elector of the Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget, which will occur at the regular meeting on December 9, 2014 at 7:00pm.

Next Fire Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 9th, 7:00 pm at the Fire Station Community meeting room.

Pinewood Springs Community Church News

Adult Bible Study resumes Sunday, December 7th. We will continue our study of the Gospel of John.

Bruce McQueen will be preaching for us through the Christmas season. Please join us for our annual Christmas Eve Soup Supper. Please bring a dish to share. Dinner at 6pm. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7pm. We are looking forward to seeing you!

Road Board

The PWS road crew has both our roads and equipment ready for winter snow. The county has worked with us to allow us to prep the roads for safe plowing. The latest estimate from the county bridge engineer is that the bridge repair construction should be started by early February. They want construction to be completed before April 1 to beat Spring runoff. **Representatives from the county engineering office will be in PWS January 7 at 7:00 PM for a community meeting to discuss both the road and bridge rebuilding activity. Please put that on your calendars.** The county will be mailing more information to all PWS residents. And lastly, I am pleased to report that the referendum for a mil rate increase for the Pinewood Springs roads passed with a 60% favorable vote.

As always, please report any road problems or requests to the Road Board message service, **303-895-3848**. Board meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the odd numbered months of the year at 7:00 PM in the Firehouse. Next scheduled Road Board meeting is January 6th. Please enter through the back door.

PSPOA

At the last meeting, the Crescent Lake Restoration Project was put on hold. The main reason is the new Kiowa Bridge being built by Larimer County. It needs to be in place before plans can be made to rebuild the lake area. The Board plans to revisit the project in May of 2015.

Also at the Cherry Company is the Festival of the Trees Fund Raiser. If you haven't done so already, stop by and see the beautiful wreaths and trees donated by Pinewood artists. Final day to bid is December 10th.

The December PSPOA meeting has been cancelled. The January meeting is scheduled for January 21st, 2015.

The printed version of this newsletter talked about a fund started for the Tanners, the family whose home here in Pinewood was destroyed by fire on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving:

Below is a message from them thanking everyone for their generosity but redirecting the donations.

From the Tanner's, *"Please, if you want to donate, make it really count and donate to the fund for the new firehouse. The need is so evident since the loss of our home! Our insurance is taking care of our needs.
Thank you so much,
Rock and Peggy Tanner"*