

Pinewood Springs Water District Newsletter

August 1, 2011

Water District

There seems to be some confusion on the Backflow prevention issue. According to the State Health Department, Carl needs to maintain a list containing the information that the District has inspected every house within the District and that each resident has been advised that their home meets Health Department standards or that their home needs a vacuum breaker. This device costs under \$10.00 and is easy to install. There is NO charge by the District for the inspection and it only takes about 5 minutes. Please call Carl, 823-5926 or Gabi, 823-5345 with any questions or to schedule an appointment. This ruling is in place is to protect the water system and to keep our drinking water safe. The penalty for non-compliance is disconnection of service.

The District will start planning the 2012 Budget over the next few months. If you would like to be a part of this planning process, please come to the August and September Board meetings. Our Board meetings are normally held on the 4th Wednesday of the month; however, the August meeting is being moved to the 5th Wednesday, which is August 31st. At this time, the September meeting will be held on the regular 4th Wednesday, Sept 28th.

For any questions or to be included on the agenda for the next Board meeting (Aug 31st), please call Gabi at 303-823-5345. The Board can be contacted by emailing all@pwswd.com.

Fire District

In the event of any **emergency** situation here in Pinewood, **please dial 911**. The next Fire Board meeting is the 2nd Tuesday (Aug 9th). 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 has voted not to proceed with a ballot measure to increase the mil rate. It was concluded that the community was largely satisfied with the condition of our roads. Not increasing the mil rate will limit the rate at which we can rebuild Pinewood Springs' roads but not stop that work completely. We also recognize the difficult financial position that some of our community members are in with the current economy. The rate increase would have been used to rebuild more of our roads and to cover the increasing cost of materials.

Our road crew has been repairing damage from recent heavy rains. We have found a number of driveway culverts that are plugged, aggravating the road damage. It is the responsibility of the property owner to maintain their culverts. A notification will be sent to those households with information on clearing your culverts.

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 (Sept 6th) at 7:00 PM at the Firehouse. Please enter through the back door.

Pinewood Springs Community Church News

Sunday worship is at 10:00 a.m. There is no Adult Bible Study or Children's Church during the summer months, but the classes will resume after Labor Day.

The church is still gathering items for the Pantry. They are still accepting donations at the Church Fellowship Hall every Sunday 11:15 to 12:30. If you want to send a monetary donation, please send it to Pinewood Springs Community Church, 260 Buttonrock Road, Lyons, CO 80540. The Church thanks you for your support and interest in this important program.

Property Owners Association

Enclosed in this mailing is a Bear Aware pamphlet. Old Blackie seems to delight in keeping residents up at night with his loud destruction of assorted dumpsters here in Pinewood. The pamphlet outlines some steps that can make your dumpster more bear proof. Pamphlet is courtesy of the Division of Wildlife and the Bear Aware volunteer Gary Clements.

PSPOA ended their fiscal year on May 31st. Dues for the 2011-2012 year were due June 1st. If you have not yet paid, please drop a check in the water drop slot at the firehouse or mail to PSPOA, 61A Kiowa Lyons, CO 80540. Remember, you must be a paid member to participate in the various co-ops.

Green reflective house number signs are still available. These are recommended by the Fire Department so, in case of an emergency, they may easily locate your house at night. Signs are still \$8.00 for paid members.

Please come to the next meeting to be held on **August 17th** 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.