

# Pinewood Springs Newsletter - January- 2019

## Water District

At the November 28<sup>th</sup> Special Hearing for Rate Changes, water fees were adjusted for the new year. Beginning with your bill on February 1<sup>st</sup>, the base rate will be \$58.00; the system improvement fee will be \$25.00. That is an overall increase of \$2.75. There was no change to the 0 to 3000 gallon fee, it remains at \$0.60 per 100 gallons. For usage from 3000 to 6000 gallons, the rate increased from \$1.00 per 100 gallons to \$1.10. And any usage over 6000 gallons will be charged at \$5.00 per 100 gallons. The fine system for over 6000 gallon usage remains the same.

The mil levy for 2019 is 29.171, down slightly from last year's 29.191. The new tap fee for 2019 is \$39,690.66.

Our next meeting is January 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Fire Station. To be included on the next agenda, call Gabi at 823-5345. Visit our website at [www.pswd.com](http://www.pswd.com) to see the District's Rules and Regulations and other interesting information.

## Pinewood Spring Fire Station & Community Center

Pinewood Springs Fire Is Going Green! The new Fire Station/Community Center is very energy efficient having been built to today's "greener" building codes. But even cooler than that... the fire district is now using 100% solar energy for its electric needs. Yup, that's right. How is that possible you say when we don't have any solar panels installed on our building? The solar panels are at the Coyote Ridge community solar project, which is adjacent to the Larimer County Landfill. More than 1,200 panels are reserved exclusively for nonprofits in the communities that Poudre Valley REA serves. Our fire board recently entered into a 20-year rental agreement with Poudre Valley so that the energy from 27 of those solar panels powers our fire station/community center. This reduces our electricity costs and provide a consistent price for electricity in the future. Our rates are locked in for 20 years, and we have the option to cancel at any time if the panels' performance declines. Woo Hoo!

### **Road District**

Please remember to help our snow plow drivers by not blocking cul de sacs or roadways during a snow storm. The next Road Board meeting is February 5, 2019 at the Fire Station meeting room.

The best way to contact the Road Board is by email at RoadBoard@Pinewoods.us or by calling our voice messaging service at (303) 895-3848. All board members are notified through either method insuring the quickest response.

### **Pinewood Springs Property Owners Association**

For those of you that have not yet picked up your address sign, please contact Gabi at (303) 823-5345 to set a time. If you have not yet ordered a sign, there is still plenty of time to do so. They cost \$8.00 and greatly assist our first responders in locating your home after dark.

The PSPOA Board is in need of Board members. Please consider volunteering a couple of hours a month to help us with projects around Pinewood. We are planning a tree planting in the spring at Crescent Lake to replace the historic Ponderosa killed by the flood. Also needing a decision is the possible carving of the "historic stump". We want your input.

The next Board meeting is January 16, 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the Fire Station. Please join us!

### **Pinewood Springs Community Church**

We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas Day celebrating the birth of our Lord. We also thank you for joining us on Christmas Eve. As always, it is wonderful seeing our community family! Worship is every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. with coffee and conversation following. Joanne Dobie remains in the pulpit through January.