The Sierraville Public Utility District newsletter

SPUD NEWS

Your water district update...

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Capital Projects Update

Our contractor for the Water Tank Project, Farr Construction out of Reno, will be commencing demolition work on our old and unused water tank as soon as the spring thaw permits, hopefully in the first half of April. A preliminary construction schedule has been submitted and it is hoped that the site work and grading will be completed by mid May and construction of the new tank will begin shortly after that. Barring any unforeseen issues, we expect the new tank to be operational in September. SPUD plans on utilizing both tanks concurrently, and will only take either tank off line should repairs or regular maintenance be required.

SPUD Is Getting A Website!

Senate Bill 929, recently signed into law by (now ex-) Governor Jerry Brown, is legislation that will require all independent special districts to maintain a website. SB 929 promotes accountability of special districts, while striking a delicate balance between promoting transparency and ensuring local flexibility while recognizing the cost barriers and technical limitations inherent in some communities. Fortunately, SPUD applied for a scholarship offered through the California Special Districts Association and was approved! This will allow us to get assistance in development of a website and provide up to three free months of hosting. Our rate payers will be able to use this site to access meeting agendas and minutes, contact information for the Board, and this newsletter! In fact, this will be the final paper copy of the SPUD newsletter. Of course, anyone who does not have internet access can request paper copies if needed.

Are You A Landlord?

If you are the owner of a property that SPUD serves, please be aware that the responsibility for payment of your water bill lies with <u>you</u>. We are happy to bill your tenants if that is the arrangement you have made with them, but it is incumbant on you to keep us aware of who they are! If you have a change in tenants and we are not made aware, we will have no way of getting the bill to the correct address. Should the account then become delinquent, it is likely that we will post a shut off notice on the property and, if that is ignored, the water will be shut off and a reconnection fee of \$50 will be required. Please keep SPUD in the loop regarding your tenants!



NOTE! SPUD Board meetings now begin at 6pm!





The SPUD Board of Directors meets at <u>6:00 pm</u> on the third Wednesday of each month at the Sierraville School. Agendas are posted at the Post Office and School at least 72 hours prior. The public is always invited to attend and provide public comment.

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