

Beaver Falls Waterworks District

Spring 2016

2016 Tolls

Ratepayers will notice that the 2015 Tolls increased 4%. In order to cover the costs of supplying water this is necessary so the District can operate and maintain the system. Tolls cover such things as electricity to pump water, water sample lab analysis, staff wages, repairs and maintenance, government mandated audits and insurance.

Upcoming 2016 Projects

Here are a few projects scheduled for this year. In the spring, the John Road project will be paved and completed.

Preventative maintenance will be done on the reservoirs to repair the existing pitting on the inside of the reservoirs.

The District is looking into installing a booster pump to increase the water pressure for the residents of Christie Road.

Well #1 will be rebuilt with new piping and level sensors early spring. This work will be done by Precision Pumps

Payment Options

NEW we are now accepting E-Transfer for payments on account. Please use your PID number as your password. eg. 010444678 Members of Kootenay Savings Credit Union are able to pay online, by telephone or by person.

Or mail your cheque or money order to Beaver Falls Waterworks District.

Do not remit cash when paying by mail.

*Remember to always include your PID number when making payment.

To avoid Penalties please allow sufficient time for your payment to reach us by the due date. Overdue accounts will be dealt with in accordance with Improvement District Bylaws. **If you would like to have your water bills emailed please contact us. With your email address you can be updated immediately on upcoming events happening in the district and any advisories that are issued.

Come Join the Team!

There are two 3-year trustee positions open to be filled. The BFWD meet once a month and are responsible for making water-related decisions on behalf of the area residents. Anyone interested in running for the position of Trustee must submit a completed nomination form to the Beaver Falls Waterworks District by 1:00 pm on Tuesday April 5, 2016. Nomination forms are available at the Beaver Falls Waterworks District office during regular business hours (Tuesdays 9am-1pm). Forms can also be found online at

http://www.beaverfallswaterworksdistrict.myruralwater.com/forms-and-reports.

The current Board of Trustees: Bruce Winterburn (Chair), Ellen Vallie, Dawn, Rosin, Vicky Poulsen and Harold Walker.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Thursday April 21, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Beaver Valley United Church office located at 1917 Columbia Gardens Rd. Fruitvale BC.

Presentation of Financial Statements & Annual Reports Election of Trustees for 3-year term (two positions available)

Landowners in the District are encouraged to attend to ask questions, comment on activities and inspect the Financial Statements. We look forward to seeing you there.

Questions? Contact Us

Meetings are open to the public and are held at our office unless otherwise noted. If you would like to make a presentation to the Board on any subject please contact the office at least 10 days in advance to have your name added to the agenda. The Trustees invite you to express any concerns or questions you may have at any time by calling our office or by email. Should your questions not be answered it will then be brought to the Board for review. The BFWD Trustees strive to answer your concerns promptly and accurately. We are working for the community and safety of our water source.

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WHAT CAN YOU DO TO CONSERVE WATER?

The summer of 2015 was one of the driest years on record it forced the Province of BC into Level 4 water restrictions as it was extremely dry with little to no precipitation. The drought led to declines in stream, lake and aquifer levels and water shortages that affected people, agriculture, wildlife and fish stocks throughout the province.

Most of our water consumption is used indoors for washing, cleaning, showering and flushing toilets. Outdoors most of our water is used to water the lawn and garden.

To save water you can follow the 3 R's of water conservation: Reduce, Repair and Retrofit.

- 1. **Reduce** water consumption wherever possible. For example, get a hose timer, rain sensor or lawn and garden assessment.
- 2. **Repair** leaky fixtures as soon as you notice them.
- 3. Retrofit (or install) new water efficient plumbing fixtures.

To learn more about what you can do to save water please visit:

https://www.cbt.org/watersmart/pg-what.asp

http://www.livingwatersmart.ca/drought/action.html

Everyone is urged to maximize their water conservation efforts as water is our most valuable resource. Due to climate change and recommendation from the Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resources we have new water sprinkling regulations.

A copy of the Beaver Falls Waterworks sprinkling regulations can be found online at: http://www.beaverfallswaterworksdistrict.myruralwater.com/rates-and-policies

NEW Sprinkling Regulations

Spring is coming and the BFWD would like to remind every one of the year round water restrictions.

Odd numbered houses and business:

6am-10am & 6pm-10pm ONLY on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturdays; Underground Irrigation 12am-4am

Even numbered houses and businesses:

6am-10am & 6pm-10pm ONLY on Wednesday, Friday & Sunday; Underground Irrigation 12am-4am

THERE IS TO BE NO WATERING/SPRINKLING ON MONDAY

Any one not following the restrictions will be subject to a first warning, if a second warning is issued water will be shut off and a \$75 fee will apply to have it turned back on.