Brook Forest Water District January 2024 Newsletter



Happy New Year!

BFWD Board of Directors/Meeting Dates:

Board meetings are always open to the public. They are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm and are held via ZOOM video conference, contact the District Administrator for more information.

President – Tony Langowski Vice President – Ted Schlaebitz Treasurer – Bruce Nicklow Secretary – Steve Drucker Director – Bill Moston

100 Amazing Water Facts You Should Know:

Water is the most important resource in the world. Here are 100 Amazing Water Facts you may not know. Brought to you by Seametrics (Flow Meters and Environmental Sensors for Precision Fluid Measurement) website,

www.seametrics.com/blog/water-facts/

We are going to share with you the 100 amazing water facts over the next serval newsletters.

- 1. 780 million people lack access to an improved water source.
- 2. In just one day, 200 million work hours are consumed by women collecting water for their families.
- 3. 1/3 what the world spends on bottled water in one year could pay for projects providing water to everyone in need.
- 4. Unsafe water kills 200 children every hour.
- 5. Water weighs about 8 pounds a gallon.
- 6. It takes 120 gallons of water for one egg.

- 7. A jellyfish and a cucumber are each 95% water
- 8. 70% of the human brain is water.
- 9. 80% of all illness in the developing world is water related.
- 10. Up to 50% of water is lost through leaks in cities in the developing world.



2024 District Projects:

District construction projects are going to be pushed into 2024 due to scheduling. Please watch the website as well as the District's Facebook Group for updates on construction dates. Construction will take place on Brook Forest Drive, Brook Forest Road, Timber Trail and Lodgepole Court (developer project).

Wintertime Shut Offs:

If you will be going out of town during the winter months for an extended period (at a minimum one quarter, not more than three quarters), you may request that your water be shut off at the street for non-use. The quarterly fee will be \$60 per quarter, equivalent to our Readiness-to-Serve charge (see Appendix A of the District Rules and Regs on our website). For our System Operator (Dominic) to shut your water off, all bills owing on the property must be paid prior to any shut off and the property owner must pay the District in advance for the turn off and turn on fee, in the amount as stated in Appendix A of the District Rules and Regs – see Section 8.09 B. of the District Rules and Regs for further information.



We have a closed group on **Facebook**, please come and join the group so you can stay in the loop with various updates, especially water outages. Our Group:

Brook Forest Water District – Evergreen, CO



Service Line Insurance:

During the past year, the District has worked with two homeowners whose service lines (copper) have had to been repaired and may need to be fully replaced in the future. The service lines are the responsibility of the customer (please see the District Rules and Regulations section – 9.08). The board recommends all residents should check with their property insurance company to find out whether their insurance covers service line repairs/replacement. Please note that copper failure is extremely rare, but it would not hurt to inquire about your personal coverage.

Online Bill Payment Option:

There has been a lot of interest by our customers for the District to offer an online bill payment option. With the increase in late payment fees that began July 1, 2015, we began to offer online bill payment through our website approximately August 1, 2015. There will be a \$2.50 convenience fee that the customer will have to incur if you wish to pay online rather than to pay by check. The \$2.50 fee seems a lot less than getting assessed \$20 for late payment of your quarterly invoice.

JULY 2024 – 3rd Quarter Summertime Newsletter Happy 4th of July! Stay Safe!

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS:

Timber Trail Road main replacement project – the crew replaced approximately 1,000 feet of old 4" pipe with new 6" iron ductile pipe. The replacement was needed as the old pipe had high potential for main breaks causing loss of water on the east side of the District.

As of June 25th all service tie-ins were completed. On Wednesday, June 26th the old main was capped and disconnected and the final project will be wrapped up around July 5th.

The next main replacement project will begin on JULY 15th on Brook Forest Drive. Please check our website, Facebook page, as well as your email for road closures and water shut offs that may affect you.



Timber Trail Road Main Replacement construction crew at work

Timber Trail Road Construction Pictures:





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Summertime is Here!:

That means it's time to schedule a test of your stop box with Dominic our System Operator. Please contact him to make an appointment at (303) 674-8194.

Outside Watering – Not Allowed:

With summertime here many outside projects are in the works like power washing houses and decks or prepping houses for staining, but please remember outside use of the District water for exterior projects is not permitted.

Thanks for your cooperation!

Online Bill Payment Option:

Pay with a Credit Card

Zelle.

If you don't want to pay your quarterly invoice with a check, we offer online bill pay through the District website:

Brookforestwater.org/onlinepayments.html

There is a \$2.75 transaction fee to make an online payment.

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District Website - Come check us out:

Come checkout our District website at www.brookforestwater.org. We post lots of publications that you will find helpful. Our Board minutes, Operator's reports, financial statement audits are just a few documents you will find. In addition, on the home page you will find our meeting agenda's, the current rates and any water shut off announcements. You will find the link to our online bill payment link on our homepage as well.

Thank you, *The Board of Directors*,

Tony Langowski, President Ted Schlaebitz, Vice President Bruce Nicklow, Treasurer Steve Drucker, Secretary Bill Moston, Director

