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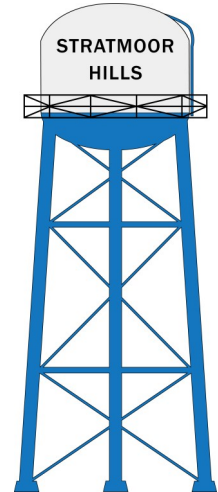
Gearing Up For Additional Sewer Maintenance

The Stratmoor Hills Sanitation District has been focused on improving sewer system reliability over the last several years. So far, three sewer lift stations have been completely upgraded or replaced, with a fourth (and final) lift station scheduled for upgrades in 2024.

Staff will also increase the amount of sewer maintenance we perform on the collection system this year. This starts by cleaning the sewer mains (in the street) using a sewer vacuum truck (pictured below). This truck is equipped with a jet-rodding nozzle (located on a hose reel on the front) that flushes pressurized water into the sewer main, scouring the surface of the pipes.

After the pipes are cleaned, operators will inspect the sewer main using state of the art video camera equipment.

From the video footage, staff can then evaluate the condition of the pipe and schedule any repairs or maintenance that may be needed.



See us on the website at:
stratmoorhillswater.org



You Can Help!

You can help keep our sewer collection system running smoothly by minimizing the **fats, oils and grease (FOG)** dumped down the drains. These materials are a primary cause for sewer backups in the home and in our collection system.

- Pour cooled fats, oils and grease into a container and put the container in the trash
- Before washing, use a paper napkin or paper towel to wipe food products from dishes and dispose of it in the trash.

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - March 5, 2024

Payments Due - March 15, 2024

Late Notices Mailed - March 18, 2024

Shut Off Payments Due - March 26, 2024

Shut Off Day - March 27, 2024

Meter Read Date - March 29, 2024

If you believe you may be late making your payment, please call us to make arrangements to avoid the \$30.00 delinquent fee.

STRATMOOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION - <http://www.stratmoorhills.org/contact.php>

SEWER PROBLEMS

If you have problems with your sewer line, please give us a call first so that we can determine if it is your service line or our main line. If it is in your line, we will notify you promptly. If it is our problem, we will take care of it immediately.



You may want to store up some extra sleep in the next few weeks because you are about to lose an hour of it.

Come March 10th at 2 a.m. most of America will be “springing forward” as daylight saving time kicks in, giving us another hour of sunlight.

Here’s a look at seven things you may not have known about daylight saving time:

1. “Spring forward and fall back” is an easy way to remember how to set the clock when daylight saving times begins and ends. **You set your clock forward one hour at 2 a.m. on March 10th. You’ll set it back one hour at 2 a.m. on Nov. 3rd.**
2. In the United States, [daylight saving time began](#) on March 21, 1918. U.S. government officials reasoned that fuel could be saved by reducing the need for lighting in the home.
3. Ancient agrarian civilizations used a form of daylight-saving time, adjusting their timekeeping depending on the sun’s activity.
4. Many people call it daylight savings time. The official name is daylight saving time. No ‘s’ on ‘saving.’
5. Benjamin Franklin came up [with an idea to reset clocks](#) in the summer months as a way to conserve energy.
6. A standardized system of beginning and ending daylight saving time came in 1966 when [the Uniform Time Act](#) became law. While it was a federal act, states were granted the power to decide if they wanted to remain on standard time year-round.
7. Arizona (except for the Navajo, who do observe daylight saving time on tribal lands), Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands do not observe daylight saving time.



NFPA ENCOURAGES TESTING SMOKE ALARMS AS DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 10th, at 2 a.m., when we spring forward one hour for the purpose of making better use of daylight. As we set our clocks ahead, the [National Fire Protection Association](#) (NFPA) recommends testing your smoke alarms. Roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths occur in homes with no smoke alarms or working smoke alarms. When smoke alarms should have worked but failed to operate, it is usually because batteries were missing, disconnected, or dead. NFPA provides the following guidelines around smoke alarms:

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button.
- Make sure everyone in the home understands the sound of the smoke alarm and knows how to respond.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.
- Replace the smoke alarm immediately if it doesn’t respond properly when tested.
- Smoke alarms with non-replaceable (long-life) batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, a warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.
- For smoke alarms with any other type of battery, replace batteries at least once a year. If the alarm chirps, replace only the battery.



Stratmoor News is published monthly by the Stratmoor Hills Water, Fire Protection and Sanitation Districts. For questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact Kirk Medina, at 576-0311. The Stratmoor Hills Water, Fire Protection and Sanitation Districts are governed by an individual, elected Boards of Directors. Currently, the members for each of the three Boards are: Robert Colgrove—Chairperson/President, James Pesicka—Vice Chairperson/President, John Willcox—Secretary/Treasurer, Cindy Dent—Director, and Richard Dull—Director.

Board elections are held in May of odd-numbered years. Board meetings are typically held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Fire Station (2160 “B” Street). Meeting agendas are posted at the Water District office (1811 “B” Street), the Fire Station and at the Stratmoor Elementary School (200 Loomis Avenue). If you would like more information about the Districts, please contact Kirk Medina at the Water and Sanitation Districts at 576-0311 or by e-mail at kirk@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com