

UPPER BLUE SANITATION DISTRICT

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NEWS

JULY 2012

NEW BILLING ADDRESS

In our efforts to streamline our business practices we are now utilizing a new bill remittance address. Starting in July 2012 customers will notice a new look in our billing statements. All new billings will include a return envelope for your convenience. Please use this new envelope when remitting your payment. If you need to conduct additional business with the District call 970-453-2723 or email us at admin@ubsd.org. The new billing remittance address is:

Upper Blue Sanitation District
PO Box 712447
Denver, CO. 80271-2447

VALUE OF BACKUP INSURANCE— PRICELESS

Have you ever wondered how you would deal with a sewer backup into your home or condo? Did you know that sanitation districts generally do not have and cannot get insurance to cover the cost of damages due to a sewer backup? Costs for repair and cleanup can easily reach \$10,000-\$20,000. So how can property owners protect themselves if an unfortunate event like this happens? Contact your insurance carrier to see if they offer sewer backup insurance. This insurance is inexpensive when compared to having no coverage and paying the costs yourself. Costs are approximately \$30 per year for a single family home and approximately \$15 per year for a condo. The coverage is specifically for damage occurring from surcharge from a sewer system. This type of insurance is highly recommended for full time residents and second homeowners. For more information about backup insurance please contact your insurance agent.

ALLYN MOSHER TO FILL VACANCY

The Board of Directors recently appointed Allyn Mosher to fill a vacancy on the Board. Allyn, a thirty-seven year Breckenridge resident, brings several areas of expertise to the Board. Not only does he have experience in small business accounting, he also has knowledge of municipal and quasi-municipal accounting. Allyn, one of the founders of the Backstage Theatre, served on their Board of Directors for over thirty-five years.

DISTRICT TRANSPARENCY NOTICE AND MEETING SCHEDULE

The District annually posts its Transparency Notice on the District's web site and at the administration office. This Notice outlines the District's contacts, meeting schedules, director information and election information. The Notice can be viewed at www.ubsd.org.

Meetings of the Board of Directors are held at 5:30 pm on the second Thursday of each month with a work session preceding each meeting. The meetings are conducted at the District's administration office which is located at 1605 Airport Road, Breckenridge and are open to the public.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Robin Theobald, President

Michael Turek, Vice President

Barrie Stimson

Ken Trausch

Allyn Mosher

Andrew Carlberg,

District Manager

SEWER SERVICE FOR BLUE RIVER

BLUE RIVER CONSTRUCTION

The construction in the Town of Blue River will begin the first part of July 2012. Installation of sewer main lines will be in the Royal and Wilderness subdivisions and continue through September. As construction proceeds there will be notifications of road closures and delays. If you have any questions please call the District's administration office at 970-453-2723.

NO PROPERTY TAX FOR UBSD

Did you know that for the last 20 years the Upper Blue Sanitation District has been able to operate and construct facilities without the use of a property tax? It's true! The Board of Directors and the Staff are committed to providing the highest levels of service and facilities through the use of fees such as plant investment fees (PIF) and monthly service fees.

The District's philosophy of operating more like a business has paid off in the fact that we have been able to actually decrease the size of our government and pass those savings on to the customer. Keeping District administration services small while focusing on cross-training all field operators has allowed for an efficient, effective operation. This philosophy has allowed reduction in the number of District employees during a period of time that our facility capacity has more than doubled. The results: savings passed on to the customer.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Sewer backups due to failure of the District's main line are rare, but do occur. Usually the backup is due to a failure of the property's service line. Therefore, we recommend contacting a plumbing contractor initially. However, if there is concern that the problem is more than a failed service line, such as an overflow, then the best action is to contact the District by calling the emergency response phone. That number is **970-418-6073**. If for some reason that number does not reply contact Summit County Dispatch at **970-668-8600**; they have a complete list of contact information.

BILLING MADE SIMPLE!

The District bills for service fees at the first of each quarter (January, April, July and October). The bill is due upon receipt, but the District accepts payment until the last day of the month for which the bill went out. If after the last day payment is not received, a reminder letter is sent advising that a 1% interest penalty will be added to the balance due if payment is not received within 15 days. If the account is still past due at the end of the next month, then additional charges and penalties will be added with the possibility of a lien filed on the property. A more detailed description is located on the back of the billing statement.

This is not a course the District likes to take and offers these helpful suggestions. First, sign up for automatic payment or ACH. A form can be found at www.ubsd.org and ensures payment is received on time. Second, if you have your bank issuing a check we recommend that you have the check issued at least 1-1/2 weeks before the end of the month. This should allow the bank enough time to process the check so that the payment arrives on time. If you have any questions, please contact the District's administration office at 970-453-2723.

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