

Newsletter

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Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District

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Board of Commissioners meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month at 1 pm in the District Office. All meetings are open to the public.

Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District is not associated with or governed by the Hartstene Pointe Maintenance Association. Please direct water-sewer service related questions to the District.

Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Summer Water Advisory

Hartstene Pointe is under a Water Advisory for the summer months. There is not a water shortage, and our current water production is sufficient to meet average demand. However, if the District experiences a major leak, critical equipment failure, or demand is higher than normal, mandatory water restrictions may be needed.

By working together through voluntary conservation we can reduce demand and the possibility of a water shortage. Here are steps we all can take to curb water waste this summer:

- Water lawns and gardens in the early morning or in the evening.
- Hand water established plants only when necessary.
- Apply 2 to 4 inches of mulch in planting beds to help retain moisture.
- Do not leave a hose running unattended.
- Always use a shut-off nozzle for watering, window washing, washing cars, etc.



- Avoid water runoff when watering landscapes. Create "wells" around trees and bushes to keep the water at the roots.
- Do not use a hose to clean walkways and driveways.
- Check for and repair toilet faucet leaks. This can save thousands of gallons per month.
- Please inform guests of the water advisory and ask them to join us in our efforts to conserve water.

Visit <u>www.epa.gov/watersense</u> for more water saving tips and resources, including how to find and fix household leaks and limit outdoor water waste.

Commissioner's Corner

I attended the Water-Sewer Commissioner's meetings for years before Roger Ray retired from the commission, and when he left in June 2016 I was appointed to replace him until the 2017 election. I am an engineer, and the Water-Sewer District was the most technical thing I could find to occupy my time during retirement.

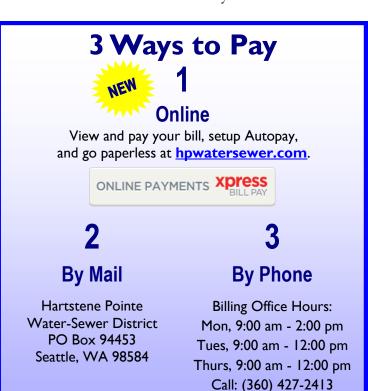
I also have joined the HPMA Community Emergency Response Team. We are planning how to minimize the impact of different disaster scenarios and educating residents on the need to have their own emergency resources. I have been attending disaster response and emergency preparedness workshops. I hope to use this knowledge and experience to further serve the Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District and the community.

— Commissioner Andrew Hospador

Well 2 Treatment System Complete

The new treatment system for Well 2 is now complete and online. Work on the new treatment system for Well 1 is underway and expected to be completed by the end of July.

Well 1 is offline during construction, so please remember to use water cautiously at this time.



Drippy the Droplet's Water-Saving Tip:



"Hand water landscapes sparingly and only when necessary. Most native plants, like those found in the common areas, require very little, if any, watering, even in dry weather."

Watch for more of Drippy's tips in future newsletters and on the District website, hpwatersewer.com.

Commissioner Candidates Filed for 2017 Election

Two District commissioner seats are up for election in 2017. One candidate has filed for each position.

Andrew Hospador is running for Commissioner Position 1, a six-year term. Andrew has been a District Commissioner since being appointed to Position 3 in June 2016, following the resignation of Commissioner Ray. Mr. Hospador has owned property at Hartstene Pointe since 2005 and has been a full-time resident, with his wife Jane, since 2009. He served as Treasurer on the HPMA Board of Directors. Andrew holds bachelor's and master's degrees in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University, and his career in industrial instrumentation and control systems included work with water and wastewater treatment systems.

Robert Scarola is running for Commissioner Position 3, to complete the remaining two years of an unexpired term. Mr. Scarola moved to Hartstene Pointe with his wife, Nancy, a year and a half ago, previously serving on the Water Company Board of Directors for a homeowner's association of approximately 2000 homes. While he was on the Board, the water company completed a major systems upgrade to its water storage, piping, and monitoring facilities.

The 2017 general election will be held on November 7th. Contact the Mason County Elections Department, (360) 427-9670 ext. 470, or visit wei.sos.wa.gov/county/mason/en/elections for more information.