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Water News

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Meetings

All meetings are at 4pm in the Library at
St. Ambrose unless otherwise noted

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| 2/19 | Regular Meeting
Adopt District Rules & Regulations |
| 3/19 | Regular Meeting |

Construction Begins!

If you have come into the neighborhood via Paragon Drive, you have probably seen the huge pile of pipe in Lot 7 on the East side of Paragon. That's roughly 22,000 feet of eight-inch ductile iron pipe, waiting to be put into trenches. The trenching will begin as soon as weather permits.

Although we have been looking forward to this for a long time, the actual construction is likely to be a headache and hassle for all of us. There will be mud, trucks, and brief street or lane closures. We expect to get a detailed plan from the contractor as to when each segment of the line is to be laid. When we get this information we will pass it along to you either individually as affected homeowners or by this newsletter. You may also be contacted directly by McLaughlin Water Engineers or by Colorado Pipe Line Inc.

Lafayette Concerns

The day after our November community meeting (at which we described the proposed rate schedule, among other things) we received a letter from the City of Lafayette which outlined some concerns they had with our plans.

The timing was unfortunate but under our agreements with them they had the right to require that our system meet their design specifications.

- Throughout the month of December the District negotiated with Lafayette and on January 2 we reached an agreement. Under it, the District agrees to upgrade certain parts of its proposed system over a period of 17 years. Here are some of the upgrades to which we have agreed, followed by the year by which we need to complete them:
- Replace all undersized (two-inch and four-inch) mains with six-inch and eight-inch pipe (2001).

- Augment storage capacity to at least 100,000 gallons for fire flow and backup (2004).
- Connect master meter (at 4-way stop) to Lafayette main via new line on Paragon Dr. Cost to be shared with Lafayette (2010).
- Connect the Empire Dr. line with the Spring Ct. line to eliminate long 'dead end' at Empire Dr. (2013)
- Connect the Panorama Dr. line with the Spring Dr. line using eight-inch main, replacing current four-inch (2017).

The District is developing a revised rate plan to accommodate these unanticipated costs and we will announce it via this newsletter when it is complete. However, it looks like an addition to the monthly fee will be required, possibly as much as \$10.

Service Lines

For those of you not in Panorama Park or Benchmark, the contractor, engineer, or other District representative will be in touch with you to identify placement of your service connection (meter pit) as construction approaches your home. We will make every effort to accommodate your preferences within the bounds of engineering constraints. We also plan to have a community meeting focusing on service connections later in the spring.

Free Fill Dirt

There will be some dirt available from the trenching. This is 'fill' dirt and not 'topsoil.' If you are interested, please contact one of the board members.