

## Pinewood Springs Newsletter - September 1, 2020

### Water District - [pswd.com](http://pswd.com)-303.823.5345

Because the river stopped flowing in late August and there are still water pools in the river, we are experiencing a slight odor. We will be switching over from using water from the river to using water from the reservoir. There might be a change in taste and color after the switch. The District treats all water used according to the State Health standards for public water systems. It is safe for public consumption.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:00 p.m.** Because of Covid-19 issues, this meeting will be held virtually. To be included on the next agenda, call or email Gabi ([pswdadmin@att.net](mailto:pswdadmin@att.net))

### Pinewood Spring Fire Station & Community Center - [pinewoodspringsfire.org](http://pinewoodspringsfire.org)

#### 2020 Estes Park Rotary Duck Race

This fund raiser has benefitted the Pinewood Springs community the past two years with water equipment and defibrillators to help save lives. Additionally, some of our citizens have also benefitted by winning prizes that were awarded too.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to ensure a safe event for all, this year's race was postponed until Saturday, September 19 and will be VIRTUAL.....you can watch it on your computer/cell phones or visit the locations in Estes Park.

Go to <https://www.epduckrace.org/adopt-ducks/> and show your support by adopting your own duck - or better yet - a Quack Pack (Adopt 5 for your favorite organization and get one free)

Tell your family/friends about this year's incredible cash and travel prizes. Here's a link to the prize list: Prizes - Estes Park Rotary Duck Race Festival

**REMEMBER, to check #63 - Pinewood Springs Fire**

Next Fire Board meeting is **Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 pm**. Because of Covid-19 issues, this meeting will be held virtually. Please check the Bulletin Board at the Fire Station for more information.

### **Road District**

Next Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** via Zoom. That meeting will be the last for Chair Charlie Pease as he has resigned. The Board has agreed to appoint John Lorang as the new Road Board chair and Pat Dewey as the new Road Supervisor. Contact John Lorang: johnlorang@gmail.com or Pat Dewey: deweypat@gmail.com

### **Pinewood Springs Community Church -303-823-6272**

Well folks, after a long wait the Pinewood Springs Community Church is thrilled to announce we are beginning services again! Our first Sunday will be September 13 at 10am. Per Larimer County Health Orders, masks will be required to be worn during the entire service with care to keep those masks above our noses. We will also be practicing social distancing within the chapel and will have doors and windows open for air flow.

Jason will be our preacher for September 13 and 20 with Joanne joining us for September 27 and October 4. We will celebrate communion on October 4 with prepackaged elements. We SO look forward to seeing our friends and neighbors again! Thanks for your patience during this difficult time and we'll see you September 13th.

You can always call the church (970-823-6272) or email Linda ([lswismom@gmail.com](mailto:lswismom@gmail.com)).

## Pinewood Springs Property Owners Association

**Last chance to register for Propane Association discounts. See [pinewoodspringspoa.com](http://pinewoodspringspoa.com) for details!**

The next Board meeting is **Wednesday, September 16th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.**

### September Tip of the Month: Water Conservation by Joan Paskewitz

100% of Colorado is now under drought conditions. The sole source of untreated water for the Water District is the Little Thompson River watershed. The river ceases to run by late July most years, and this year is no exception. The reservoir and tanks are available during dry spells, but there is no guarantee of raw water availability. Before the reservoir was put into service in 2010, some years water needed to be hauled in by truck at considerable expense.

Residents must be especially concerned with leaks during this time, and truly at all times. A running toilet or leaking faucet can consume thousands of gallons very quickly. Fix leaks promptly or call the Water District for assistance in locating a leak. A water main leak may appear as a wet spot or puddle, or water running in a ditch; report such promptly.

While the State of Colorado Augmentation Plan for Pinewood Springs stipulates a strict 6,000 gallons per month per residence, the average usage in our community is 2400 gallons per month per household.

### **NO OUTDOOR USE OF TREATED WATER IS PERMITTED!**

These limitations also apply to residences within the Water District that have wells.

Conservation of water must be a daily goal of all residents, so that everyone has sufficient water for basic needs. There are a variety of hints that can help conserve water. The Pinewood Springs Property Owners Association (PSPOA) will get the ball rolling with a few and open the discussion for others to contribute.

- Always fill a container with water when running the water to heat it for dishes, showers, and other tasks. It can be used on plants, for pets, or to flush the toilet.
- Turn the water off while soaping hands or face or in the shower or brushing teeth.
- Use a basin for washing and rinsing dishes. Do not let the water run.
- Scrape, rather than rinse, dishes to go into a dishwasher.
- Buy and use up to two rain barrels for outside watering. Place under your downspouts. <https://source.colostate.edu/extension-offers-fact-sheet-on-how-to-harvest-rainwater-under-new-colorado-rules/>
- Fill hot tubs with purchased water or that collected from the roof.
- Use water-absorbing soil or added granules, such as vermiculite, to help keep moisture in plant pots.
- Xeriscape with native, low-moisture plants. Once they are settled in, they need no additional moisture. If planting a tree, consider the cost of having water trucked in as part of the investment.