

FRUITLAND MUTUAL WATER COMPAY FALL NEWSLETTER



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There is information on local assistance agencies who can help with utility payments during this hard time.

For information and applications on tenant/landlord relief for rent and utilities through Pierce County Human Services & City of Tacoma, go to:

<https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7142/Rental-Assistance>

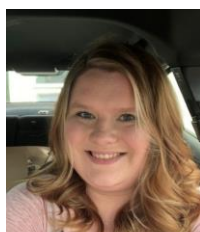
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FRUITLAND MUTUAL WATER COMPANY:

Each year, Fruitland Mutual Water Co. members elect several Board of Directors from a slate of candidates. The nominees may be new or existing Board Members seeking re-election. If you would like to serve on the board of Fruitland Mutual Water Co., or have a candidate to nominate, please send the candidate's name to our office.

Eligible candidates must be members of the Fruitland Mutual Water Co. in order to qualify for consideration. Prior to submitting a nomination, it is required for the candidate's permission to be granted, along with the signature of two additional Fruitland members for validation. Please include a brief biography and qualifications of the nominee. In order for the preparation of the ballot, please submit your nominations as early as possible. Proposals for bylaw changes can be received for review by the Board of Directors. Proposed changes must be accompanied by signatures of at least two members. All nominations and proposals must be received at the company office (4001 9th St SW) no later than **4:30pm on January 2nd, 2024.**

MEET THE ADMIN TEAM:

Ashlynn, who you know as an admin assistant, received a promotion and is now our office manager. We hired two new admin assistants and are excited to have Jasmyn and Elizabeth on board with us. They are a great addition to our office.



Ashlynn Glassman
Office Manager



Elizabeth Dunham
Admin Assistant



Jasmyn Sisco
Admin Assistant

*** Up to date contact information is of utmost importance, please be sure to notify us if you have a change in information. Did your payment method expire recently? Call us to update. ***

WINTER IS COMING!

As cold weather sets in, take a few precautions to winterize your home. When we begin to have sustained temperatures of 30° F. or lower, homeowners should be alert to the possibility of freezing pipes. Here are a few tips to avoid freezing pipes this winter:

- Disconnect and drain outdoor hoses and sprinkler lines
- Insulate pipes or faucets in unheated areas like garages, attics, crawlspaces, etc.
- Seal off access doors, air vents, and cracks
- Open cabinet doors to circulate warm air
- Know where your master shut-off is in case of an emergency
- Keep your thermostat set to at least 55° F., even if you are not home



NEW ADDITIONS TO FRUITLAND WATER:

- Copperberry Condos 4100 10th ST SE
- Hamilton Estates 2900 Block 13th SW
- Berggren's Landing at 112th St & Woodland Ave
- Sr. Living Cooperative of Pyuallup 112st E & 17st SW

A WORD FROM OUR GENERAL MANAGER:

Dear Members,

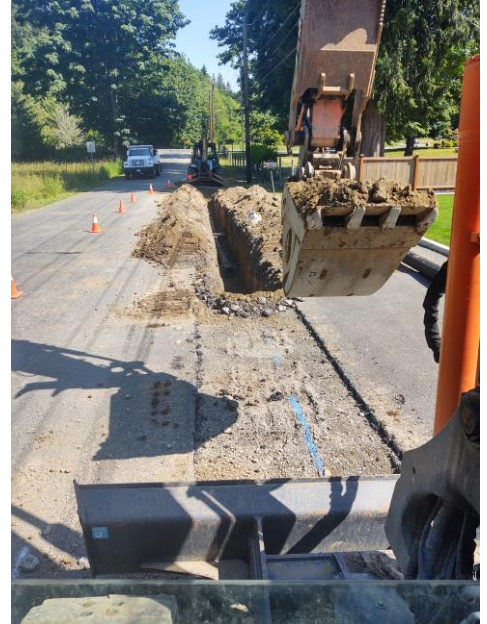
It has been a busy 12 months since the last fall newsletter. We have replaced over 2,500 feet of main line. Included with the new main line, new services were installed, and additional hydrants were installed at closer intervals, to improve fire protection.

The company has upgraded the surveillance at the office as well as the well sites. We now have real time monitoring by a person 24/7 at all sites. Over the last few years, we have noticed an increase in vandalism and theft. If you notice anything out of the ordinary at one of our sites, please call any time day or night.

Later this fall and during winter the Fruitland crew will be working on annual maintenance. Part of this is trimming around fire hydrants and meter boxes. If you have special foliage or prefer to handle it your self let us know so we can take note. The fire department requires a minimum of 3 feet of clearance all the way around fire hydrants. These requirements are the same for our water meters. Thanks for your understanding.

We also ask that you check out our website for important updates, such as more information for the Policy No. 2306. It is in regard to the HB 1329 that Jay Inslee signed on April 20, 2023, and how utilities coordinate shutoffs during heat events.

Does anyone need any fill materials? Please contact our office. We have fill materials to dispose of during our construction season (June-September).



Ted Hardiman, General Manager