

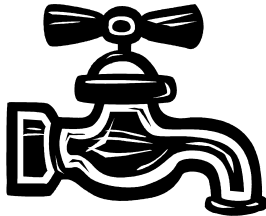
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BARTONVILLE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

2007 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP



Bartonville Water Supply Corporation held its 42nd Annual Meeting on April 16, 2007 at the Crossroads Bible Church in Double Oak, Texas.

Two directors' positions were up for election, Bill Wilkinson, Town of Double Oak and Michael Paulson, Town of Copper Canyon. Both directors were re-elected by acclamation.

Mr. Kerry Maroney, P.E., Biggs & Mathews Engineers, gave a very informative presentation about Bartonville Water Supply Corporation's history to present.

In other business, President Kaufman asked for a volunteer to draw the tickets and proxies for the water prizes.

- * Mary Hooser 15,000 gallons
- * Lyle Howell 20,000 gallons

The tickets of the following members and their credits drawn were:

- * Gracie Egan 5,000 gallons
- * Bill Wilkinson 10,000 gallons
- * Darrell Hilbun 15,000 gallons
- * Daniel Lemke 20,000 gallons

The proxies of the following members and their credits drawn were:

- * Richard McIlhaney 5,000 gallons
- * Dominick Spagnola 10,000 gallons



Call Before You Dig

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BARTONVILLE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Larry Kaufman
Vice-President	Lloyd Hanson
Secretary/Treasurer	Gracie Egan
Director	Michael Paulson
Director	Bill Wilkinson
Director	David Moore
Director	Patrick McDonald

EMPLOYEES

General Manager	Jim Leggieri
Superintendent	Robert Sillaway
Field Rep./Operator	Eric Laird
Utility Billing	Dawn Hicks
Customer Service	Rachel Robinson

Controlling Backflow



Across the United States cross-connections have resulted in waterborne chemicals to enter potable water systems resulting in illness and death.

It's a common problem in the water industry—someone complains that their water is making them sick. An investigation is conducted, and a cross-connection is found in a watering trough, allowing water to freely flow into the trough as well as out of the trough and into the potable water system. This is what is known as backflow, and it happens quite frequently.

The TCEQ's Chapter 209 rules define a cross-connection as any physical connection between a public drinking water and **either** another water supply of unknown or questionable quality, any source which may contain contaminating or polluting substances, or any source of water treated to a lesser degree than the public water system's treating process.

Examples of cross-connections vary widely, and are certainly not limited to rural situations. Cross-connections can occur when the end of the distribution system piping (customer's water hose, sink spray nozzle, swimming pool cleaning hoses, or other such open ended piping) is placed into an animal watering trough, cleaning bucket, chemical mixing tank, quart hand-held sprayer, fish pond, or another confined area that holds water. This results in the "good" tap water coming in direct contact with contaminating or polluting substances of unknown questionable quality. Should there be a drop in flushing, or any water outage, a backflow condition can result in the backsiphonage of the "bad" substance into the potable water system.

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PAYMENTS

As we continue to receive complaints regarding the failure of the postal service to deliver member's water payments in a timely manner, we would like to offer you **Bank Draft**.

Many members are utilizing a bill paying service online. Unfortunately, the bill paying services still have to mail a check to BWSC. Often the payments come from out-of-state and take days longer

to reach BWSC than if you were to mail the bill from your home. Use of a bill paying service does not guarantee your payment will arrive on time.

Bank Draft is a convenient payment method to insure you always have your payment processed on time. Unlike online bill services, the funds are not removed from your checking account until the payment is credited to your BWSC water

account. You will still receive a bill and have plenty of time to call with questions or concerns, as Bank Drafts are processed no more than **2** working days before the due date.

If you would like more information about Bank Draft please contact the office at (817) 430-3541 or visit our website at bartonvillewater.com

Bills are Due the 8th of Every Month.



Water Conservation Tips

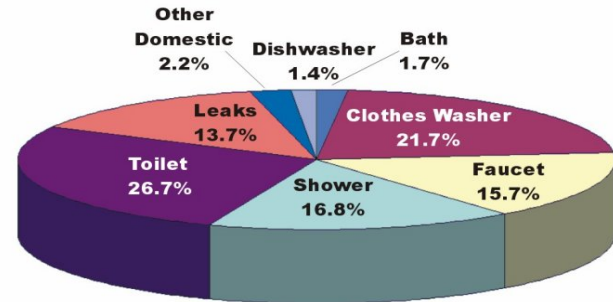
Household Hints to Conserve Water & Money

Why Conserve?

Water Conservation is the most cost-effective and environmentally sound way to reduce our demand for water. This stretches our supplies farther, and protects places.

Ten Ways that can help save:

1. Water your lawn only when its needed. **Saves 750-1500 gallons** per month.
2. Fix leaky faucets and plumbing joints. **Saves 20 gallons** per day for every leak stopped.
3. Don't run the hose whiles washing your car. Use a bucket of water and a quick hose rinse at the end. **Saves 150 gallons** each time. For a two-car family that's **up to 1200 gallons** a month.
4. Install water-saving shower heads or flow restrictors. **Saves 500 to 800 gallons** per month.
5. Run only full loads in the washing machine and dishwasher. **Saves 300 to 800 gallons** per month.
6. Shorten your showers. Even a one or two minute reduction can **save up to 700 gallons** a month.
7. Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks. **Saves 150 gallons** or more each time. At once a week, that's **more than 600 gallons** a month.



Typical Household Water Use (Indoor)

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8. Capture tap water. While you wait for hot water to come down the pipes, catch the flow in a watering can to use later on house plants or your garden. **Saves 200 to 300 gallons** per month.
9. Don't use your toilet as an ashtray or wastebasket. **Saves 400 to 600 gallons** per month.
10. Don't water the sidewalks, driveway or gutter. Adjust your sprinklers so that water lands on your lawn or garden. **Saves 500 gallons** per month.

IRRIGATION SYSTEM TESTING

Since irrigators/landscapers want to prevent new plant loss due to lack of water they typically set irrigation systems to "over water" new landscapes believing this will help them get established. As a result, it is not uncommon to find irrigation systems using as much as 3,000 to 6,000 gallons of water per day/every day.

To prevent this from happening you want to check how your irrigation system is set. In order to do so, run your system through a complete cycle, taking a water meter reading before and after. Multiply this consumption by the number of times per day the system is set to operate and you can see how much water you will be using.

Remember, it's up to you. If you don't look into the fine points of operation of your irrigation system, what could be a useful maintenance tool may turn into a water-guzzling nightmare.

MAYOR
BWSC would like to welcome Pam King, Mayor of Double Oak, and thank former Mayor Dick Cook for his years of service.

Thank You
The Board and Staff would like to say thank you to Jennifer Drury for her years of dedication and service to BWSC, and would like to extend our best wishes in her new adventure.

The Mainline

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