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BARTONVILLE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION NEWSLETTER

2009 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP



Bartonville Water Supply Corporation held its 44TH Annual Meeting on April 23, 2009, at the Crossroads Bible Church in Double Oak, Texas.

Three directors' positions were up for election, Gracie Egan, Bartonville, Lloyd Hanson, Unincorporated, and Patrick McDonald, Bartonville. All three 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.

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

- * Louis Adams 5,000 gallons
- * Michael Paulson 10,000 gallons
- * Chuck Kyle 15,000 gallons
- * Calvin Murphy 20,000 gallons

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

- * Patrick McDonald 5,000 gallons
- * David Moore 10,000 gallons
- * William Helmer 15,000 gallons
- * Richard Norgaard 20,000 gallons



Call Before You Dig



For your safety, call the Texas One-Call Notification Center at least two business days before digging or excavating more than 16 inches deep with machine powered equipment. They will arrange to have the utility lines marked for you.

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BARTONVILLE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

EMPLOYEES

General Manager	Jim Leggieri
Superintendent	Eric Laird
Field Rep./Operator	Jeremy LaBelle
Office Manager	Dawn Hicks
Billing — A/R	Leanna Spencer
Admin Assistant	Robin Kern

Bills are Due the 8th
of Every Month.

Paying the bills...

Don't you just love banking online? Just click and pay your bills? What a time saver!

Did you know that most online bill paying processes generate a check that is then sent through regular mail to the recipient? It's true that some limited agreements exist between the bank and some credit card companies that allow electronic transfer of funds, but most payments go through the regular postal service. Generally, these check-processing centers are centrally located and, often, out-of-state. When the check is written, the funds are immediately transferred from your account to the check-writing service. The service then gets the benefit of the "float" between when the funds are transferred to them and when the check is received and deposited and clears their bank. This could take several days, during which time you are blissfully unaware that your bill remains outstanding. All of this is okay, until the one month when the USPS is slow in delivering the mail or the processor (not BWSC) experiences some unexpected delay.

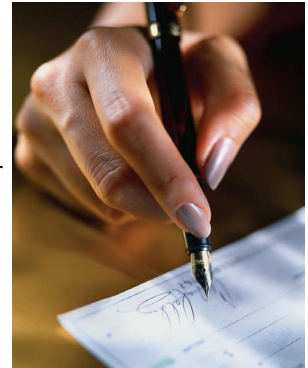
As you know, our policies here at BWSC are fairly clear-cut and payments are only credited when they are received. We have no way to post based on post-mark or any other method, only check/cash in hand. It can be frustrating when you've done your part and there is a delay that results in a late charge on your account. We wish there was a logical and equitable way to adjust to these occurrences. Ultimately, it becomes a cost of the convenience for you. In some cases, you may be able to recoup late charges or other fees generated by late delivery from your bank; we recommend you contact them if this happens to you and your bank assume their responsibilities.

We have other alternatives to this payment method that you might want to consider. For instance, we offer automatic bank draft. Each month, about 2 days before the due date, we generate a transaction that will automatically pay your bill from the bank account you designate. The payment is posted to your account on the day we submit the transaction, so you know that you are paid on time. You can print the authorization form from our web page and get started right away!

We also offer automatic credit card payment, each month about 2 days before the due date we will process your credit card in the amount of your bill. Maybe you have a card that gives you rewards or cash back or airline miles. Why not pay your water bill this way and add to the benefit? This form is also available on our website.

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

***** Coming soon, Online bill pay at Bartonvillewater.com *****

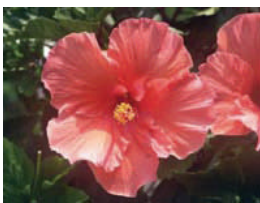


SAVE WATER OUTDOORS

Did you realize that the majority of the water you use in your home is used outdoors? You can save a lot by picking the right plants and watering smartly.

Low Water-Use Plants– Put them high on your list

More than any other factor, the plants you choose determine the look of your landscape, and they determine how water-wise your landscape can be. To achieve the most water-efficiency, choose plants adapted to your area, plant them in the right place using the principles of water-wise landscape design, and help them get established by using good watering practices.



There are two factors that make a plant appropriate for a water-wise landscape: water conserving and drought tolerance. Water-conserving plants hold on longer to the water they receive. This is especially important for the grass in your lawn. Bermuda is a example of a water-conserving turf grass. Drought-tolerant plants can go for a long time without

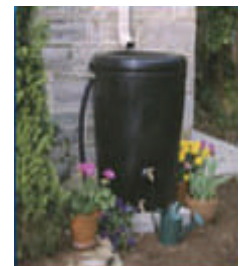
water. They simply don't need as much water. So the best plants for a water-wise landscape are trees, shrubs, and groundcover that require little water once they're established, and hold on to the water they get. Check with your neighborhood nursery for the best water-wise plants for your area. Information from www.wateruseitwisely.com



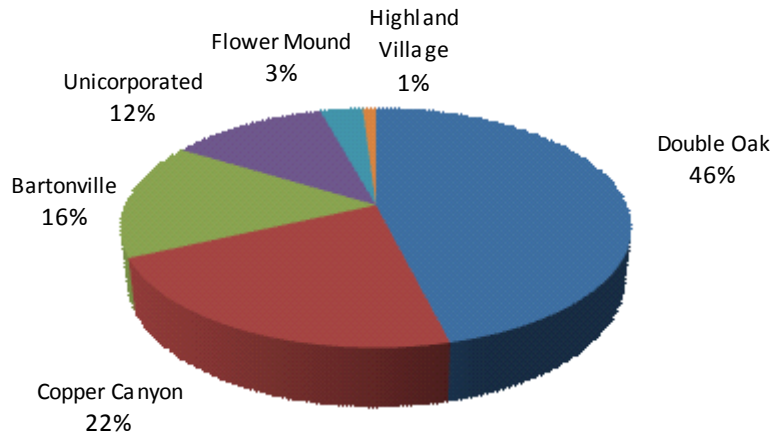
Top 5 Reasons to Harvest Rainwater!

1. Plants thrive on the PH neutral, soft oxygenated water.
2. Conserve this vital natural resource and reduce your water bills.
3. Control moisture levels around the foundation of your home.
4. Divert water from the municipal storm drain system.
5. Protect our rivers and streams from runoff pollution.

For more information on water saving tips, please visit wateruseitwisely.com



Double Oak	968
Copper Canyon	461
Bartonville	330
Unincorporated	251
Flower Mound	68
Highland Village	21
	2099



SERVICE AREA NEWS

Bartonville WSC's newest water well should be on line by mid-summer. The new well was drilled at an existing pump station site in the Bartonville area. The new well is producing approximately 700 gallons per minute which equates to approximately 1 million gallons of water a day. The well is approximately 1,500 feet deep and is in the lower portion of the Trinity aquifer.

This past year BWSC also consolidated facilities from two pump stations into one. The 35+ year old small storage tanks and pump house building were removed from their location (currently Chapel Springs subdivision/Highland Village) and only the water well was retained. A dedicated water line was installed from this site transporting water from this well to the newer pump station on Jernigan Rd. approximately 3/4 miles away. This allows BWSC the ability to use that well and the Jernigan Rd. well from one location, and reduces maintenance to a minimum at the older site.

In water regulatory news, Denton County is in the process of forming and becoming part of a "Ground Water Conservation District" (GWCD). These state mandated districts are occurring more and more frequently around the state as an effort to better control the use of ground (well) water. Denton County is proposing to form a three member district made up of Grayson, Cook and Denton counties. All wells will be regulated, however, it is proposed that private water wells in existence at the time the legislation passes will be "grandfathered" and may be registered voluntarily. However, public water suppliers eg. BWSC, Argyle WSC, Bolivar WSC or any city or town using water wells, will be required to register regardless and report all water pumped. Based on a recent district that was created in Wise County, every public water supplier using well water is being required to pay .22 cents for every 1,000 gallons of water they take from the ground. This "fee" will go to fund the operation of this newly created regulatory agency. This new district should be in existence sometime in 2009 and operating in 2010.

For the past five years and currently, BWSC has been participating in COSERV's Industrial Time of Use program. This program allows three phase power (480 volts) customers like BWSC, that consume larger quantities of power during the summer months, to realize significant cost savings if they will refrain from starting their three phase equipment during certain times of the day/night. These times coincide with COSERV's peak demand time and are 6-8 in the a.m. and 3-8 in the p.m. During these scheduled times, BWSC has six of its seven pump stations participating in the program to realize as much savings as possible. However, in case on an emergency, all BWSC pump stations are available for immediate service. BWSC also maintains a diesel powered generator at our largest facility for emergency backup power. The switch over to generator power occurs after 15 seconds of a COSERV power loss.

As you travel the area we see road construction at every turn, however, with the benefits come the temporary longer waits in traffic etc. However, behind the scenes these widening, etc. projects can greatly impact all utilities, including water utilities. Common practice in years past was to allow the placement of utilities in the back seven foot portion of the public highway right-of-way (ROW). In fact, this area was designated public ROW. Of course, back in the day no one ever expected we would need six lanes for traffic. However, when the time comes, and TXDOT needs to expand out into these existing ROW's then as they move in to claim their space, the utilities must move over or out. "much" easier said than done and very expensive. Many times, this is what a great deal of the "turmoil" and "mess" associated with these projects is. Imagine trying to co-ordinate the relocation of water, gas, electric, CTV, fiber-optic, etc. and keep all your customers in service! Quite the challenge. Sometimes that occasional outage will occur so we do apologize for the inconvenience.

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Acct #:

Name:

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Work Phone:

E-Mail Address:

Emergency Phone: