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## **WEST VIEW SHORES WINTER NEWSLETTER**

### **JANUARY 2018**

Happy New Year! Hope you had a good holiday and are keeping warm while Mother Nature shows us her winter wonderland!

#### **Water Project Update**

- All 3 phases of water system connections continue. As of January 5, approximately 168 exterior installations (Phase 1), 112 in-home connections (Phase 2), and 53 well abandonments (Phase 3) have been completed.
  - Residents (or representative) will need to be present on site for the Phase 2 internal on-lot work.
  - The well abandonment portion of the project (Phase 3) occurs outside of the home and residents do not need to be present during this work.
- Flushing of the water system pipelines is still ongoing to maintain adequate water circulation and keep the water fresh as homes are being connected. Once all homes are connected, flushing will be less frequent and water pressure will be more consistent.
- In January, the Town of Cecilton will be sending out the first bill to all residents for water usage (if connected to the public water system) AND for the first payment of the fire hydrants.
  - The hydrant cost is per lot on record and can be paid all at once or in installments. FYI - Cecilton is not charging us interest for the cost of the hydrants.
  - For water service and hydrant billing inquiries, please contact: Kim Roland ([kroland@ceciltonmd.gov](mailto:kroland@ceciltonmd.gov) or 410-275-2692).
- A letter from the Cecilton Volunteer Fire Department Chief to Mary Cooper, Cecilton's Town Administrator, regarding the active status of the fire hydrants is available [HERE](#), as well as on the outreach website ([www.pearcecreekoutreach.com](http://www.pearcecreekoutreach.com)). This letter can be provided to homeowner insurance companies for a possible reduction to your home insurance. A copy of the letter will also be included in the January 2018 billing statement.
- A tour of the Town of Cecilton water treatment facility will be scheduled after mid-January. Residents interested in attending the tour can contact:
  - Mary Cooper ([marycooper@ceciltonmd.gov](mailto:marycooper@ceciltonmd.gov) or 410-275-2692) or
  - Kristen Keene ([kkeene2@marylandports.com](mailto:kkeene2@marylandports.com) or 410-385-4462) for more information.

- Upon connection to the water system, all “free” bottled water deliveries will be discontinued to that residence. Residents who wish to continue receiving bottled water via Eastern Shore Coffee and Water Company after connection to the public water system can contact Sarah Chandler (sarah@easternshorecoffee.com or 410-749-4494).

### **Pearce Creek Site**

- The US Army Corps of Engineers Philadelphia District is actively dredging in the Elk River and placing material in the Pearce Creek DMCF.
  - Approximately 650,000 cubic yards will be placed in the containment facility.
  - Dredging and inflow activities are expected to be completed by mid-January.
- The Pearce Creek DMCF is closed to the public until further notice. This is to ensure public safety during active construction due to inflow.

For information about the water project and the Pearce Creek site project, please refer to: [www.pearcecreekoutreach.com](http://www.pearcecreekoutreach.com) website.

### **Maintenance Fees for 2018**

Invoices for 2018 maintenance fees will be mailed out late January/early February. The fees are based on the per property share of the budget that was approved by shareholders at the Annual Meeting on August 26, 2017. Please pay your fees as soon as possible upon receipt of your invoice. The deadline date is May 1, 2018.

### **Next WVSCA Event - Burning of the Winter Socks and Soup Mug-In: Saturday, March 24 - 6pm**

This pungent event will take place to celebrate the beginning of Spring. This event had its beginnings in Eastport, MD in the mid-1970's when Bob Turner, a boatyard worker, decided to burn his socks and have a beer in tribute to the coming of warmer weather. Legend has it that back when baths were scarce, the boatyard workers wore the same socks all winter and burned them on the solstice.

Let the tradition continue at West View Shores! Join us in our celebration by bringing your old winter socks to burn and set your “piggies” free!

Bring a mug to have some soup (provided by WVSCA folks). Contact: Kim Bennett (kimbaenv@gmail.com) to let her know if you will attend or to help with the event.

As always, please view our website - [westviewshores.org](http://westviewshores.org) for community news, upcoming events and updates.