

DISTRICT DIGEST

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BRUNSWICK SEWER DISTRICT *Protecting Maine's Environment*

OUTSIDE WATERING ADJUSTMENT REMINDER & NEW FOR 2018

When you are using water for your lawns, gardens, pools or ice rinks you *may* be eligible for an outside watering adjustment to your regular cycle bill. To request consideration for an outside watering adjustment *PLEASE EMAIL US* at info@brunswicksewer.org. All that is needed is your name and your location address. One email will place you on the outside watering potential adjustment list *for the entire 2018 calendar year*. We will no longer process credits for outside watering after the bill has been produced. You must contact us before the bill is produced.

Our Board of Trustees is continuing its review of the current outside watering policy and considering a staff proposed sub-meter only program. More information will be forthcoming in other newsletters. You may always go to our website at www.brunswicksewer.org to check on the status of this policy.



OPEN HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Brunswick Sewer District has scheduled an Open House for Thursday, June 14 from 2pm - 5pm. The Open House will be at our campus on Pine Tree Road. We are pleased to showcase the recently

completed \$22 Million upgrade to the wastewater treatment plant, staff facilities, and garage facilities. Please visit our website www.brunswicksewer.org to stay informed.

Recognition

The following employees are celebrating an anniversary in the first quarter of 2018:

Wesley Wharff

*Collections Supervisor
30 years*

Jennifer Nicholson

*Treatment Plant Supervisor
24 years*

Bonnie Shippen

*Administrative Assistant
6 years*

*We thank you,
Wes, Jen, & Bonnie,
for 60 combined years
of service to the district!*

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: WESLEY WHARFF

Employed at the district for 30 years, the person we know as “Wes” began employment as an operator. Hard work and devotion prompted management to promote Wes to supervisor of the collection and pumping division in 1994. He continues in this position today.

As supervisor, Wes has taken the lead and initiative on many projects over the years. He has overseen the construction, or reconstruction, of nearly all the district’s 19 pump stations. Wes manages the district’s GIS system and is responsible, along with his crew, for the maintenance and upkeep of more than 63 miles of sewer lines.

Wes is an advocate for change. He routinely presents new ideas for policy improvements that are in the best interest of staff and ratepayers. Because of his ingenuity, hard work, and leadership, there is no problem he and his staff cannot handle.

Even with all his great characteristics, Wes is probably best known for his ability to cook a mean breakfast.

The district wishes to congratulate Wes on his 30 years of dedicated service. We appreciate his dedication, ingenuity, and reliability. Thank you, Wes, for the past 30 years. We look forward to 30 more!

Favorite food: *Hamburgers*

Favorite color: *Blue*

Hobbies: *Fishing, or whatever my grandkids are up to. Watching them play sports is the best.*

Ford or Chevy: *Ford*

Football or Soccer: *That’s a tough one. Soccer, probably.*



Wes at the BSD garage construction site.

REMINDERS

When experiencing a sewer system problem, please contact the district **FIRST**. The 24-hour emergency number is 729-0148. Make sure your plumber calls Maine Natural Gas before any tools are placed in your line.

THINKING OF DOING YARD WORK? Before your contractor digs, call DIG SAFE (1-888-344-7233). It’s free and it’s the law.

At the click of a button you can skip the checks and stamps and pay your sewer bill online at: www.brunswicksewer.org/odp.html.

Want more Brunswick Sewer District information? **Check us out on Facebook.**

WOULD YOU PREFER TO RECEIVE YOUR INVOICE VIA EMAIL? Beginning with this 2018 billing cycle, the Brunswick Sewer District now offers paperless billing! Customers can easily sign up for this service:

- 1) Go to our website at www.brunswicksewer.org
- 2) Click on the “I want to” tab
- 3) Click “Set up paperless billing”
- 4) Fill in the required information



NEW DISTRICT LOGO

Last spring, the district held a contest requesting submissions from local area students to design a new logo for us. We are proud to unveil the new Brunswick Sewer District logo (shown below) that has been adopted by our Board of Trustees. It was designed by Mr. Michael Black, a 2017 Brunswick High School graduate.

Over the course of this year you will see the transition in our correspondence, and on our vehicles, equipment, and facilities signage.

