

GRWD WATER LINES

Greater Ramsey Water District

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Special points of interest:

- Directors Needed
- Annual Meeting
- Sewer Termination Policy Notice

District will elect two Directors

Greater Ramsey Water District will have 2 openings on the 7 member Board of Directors starting in February of 2010. The board members will be elected at the annual meeting held Tuesday, February 2, 2010. The director must be a member of the District from the area south of the GRWD water treatment plant located near Tolna, ND.

Currently GRWD Vice President Kerwin Borgen and Avis Lowe serve as directors from this area and are eligible for reelection. The board members must be elected by majority vote of the members present at the meeting from within the area electing the directors. The new directors will serve a 3 year term.

The duties of the directors are listed under Article IX in the bylaws of GRWD. The other duties not listed generally require setting policies to guide management and staff to operate both the water and sewer systems in an efficient and progressive manner.

The board meets monthly at the office in Devils Lake.

If you are interested in serving on the board of directors for Greater Ramsey Water District, please contact the office in Devils Lake at 1-888-223-0090 or 662-5781 and ask for Nels. A nominating form is also available to download from our website, grwdnd.com.



GRWD ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting for the members of Greater Ramsey Water District will be held at the Ambulance Building located at 178 Johnson St, McHenry, North Dakota on February 2, 2010. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm with coffee and bars being served. Members who attend the meeting will be eligible for door prizes which include 1st prize—\$150 credit on account, 2nd prize—\$100 credit and 3rd prize—\$50 credit.

The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Calling to order and proof of quorum.
2. Proof of notice of meeting.
3. Reading and action on any unapproved minutes.
4. Reports of offices and committees.
5. Election of directors.
6. Unfinished business.
7. New business.
8. Adjournment.

Attendance at the meeting is very important to ensure that the members place their vote to ensure they are represented by directors who will perform the duties of the directors and guide the district by setting policies to build a strong district for all members.

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How and why become a Director and what do I receive if I do?

In order to become a director you first must contact the office in Devils Lake and request a nominating form or download the form from our website. This form must be completed and sent back by January 6, 2010 for review by the nominating committee. The committee will then place up to 4 names on the ballot for the annual meeting. If you completed a nominating form and are not placed on the ballot, you can still be placed on the ballot by having a request from the floor at the meeting. The top two majority vote winners of the members present at the meeting from within the area electing the directors will be on the board for a 3 three term.

Serving on the board is a rewarding service to the members of the district, as a director you will represent not only your ward but the district as a whole. The board provides the leadership needed to guarantee a secure water supply and sewer service to the members.

The board members receive compensation for serving on the board plus mileage. Board members do attend water related meetings and conferences throughout the year which are paid by the district.

Sewer Termination Policy Notification

Greater Ramsey Water District has reviewed sewer ordinance #1-86 and have determined that no policy for terminating a sewer service due to nonpayment was defined in the ordinance. The ordinance was adopted by the District to regulate the use of the rural sewer system after the county turned the system over to District.

The ordinance acts as the rules and regulations for the sewer customer. The District must notify its customers if a change in policy is to be voted on by the board of directors at a scheduled meeting.

This newsletter shall act as official notice to all the members of GRWD that on January 7, 2010 at the regular monthly meeting of the District at 8:00 am at the District office, the board of directors shall vote on the following policy change.

Greater Ramsey Water District shall have the option to terminate any sewer customer's service due to nonpayment after all collection efforts have been exhausted. The termination shall be completed by physically cutting the service line at the inlet side of the septic tank.

REMEMBER—ANNUAL MEETING



When: February 2, 2010

Time: 7:00 PM

**Where: McHenry Ambulance Building,
McHenry, North Dakota**

**Purpose: Elect 2 board members,
annual reports and conduct District
business.**