

# GRWD WATER LINES

Greater Ramsey Water District

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## GRWD Annual meeting

The annual meeting for members of Greater Ramsey Water District will be held at the Greater Ramsey Water District's shop, 113 Shamrock Lane SE, Devils Lake, North Dakota on February 7, 2023. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Members attending 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. Call 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. Elections of directors.
6. Unfinished business.
7. New business.
8. Adjournment.

If a member has any new business for the board to review and is unable to attend the meeting, please contact the manager at 701-662-5781 with your item so it can be addressed at the meeting.

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## REMEMBER—ANNUAL MEETING

**When: February 7, 2023**

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Where: GRWD Shop  
113 Shamrock Lane SE  
Devils Lake, ND 58301**

**Purpose: Elect 3 directors, annual reports and conduct District business.**



## Halgren to Retire in February

“After 21 years as serving as the District’s manager, I notified the board at the September monthly meeting of my upcoming retirement plans. We have completed the hiring process for a smooth transition to someone who knows the District and is very well suited to lead the District for many years to come. Lonnie Lacina, the current operations manager was chosen to be the new manager. Lonnie was employed by the District for several years prior to him leaving to pursue owning and operating his own construction company. In 2018 Lonnie came back and was hired as the operations manager after long time operations manager Larry Miller retired. I want to wish Lonnie all the best in his new role at the District.

After our first expansion project someone ask me how I felt once we got water to a new member. I said after hearing the joy and excitement in the voices of our new members when they called for a water meter, it makes me believe that rural water makes a tremendous difference in the lives of the families GRWD serves. After 21 years I still feel the same way and feel privileged to have served as your manager.

My plans for retirement include traveling, spending time with family and grandchildren, golfing, fishing and camping.”

Come and join us on February 7, 2023 at the District’s office in Devils Lake from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm to celebrate Nels’ retirement. Refreshments will be served along with good conversation of all the memories of the past 21 years.

## District will elect 3 directors

Greater Ramsey Water District will have 3 openings on the 7 member board of directors starting in February of 2023. The board members will be elected at the annual meeting held Tuesday, February 7, 2023.

Director candidates must be members of the District from the area south of US Highway 2 to the north shore of Devils Lake. The directors elected will serve a 1, 2, or 3 year term determined by lottery to stagger terms due to bylaws change at the 2022 annual meeting.

Duties of the directors are listed under Article IX in the bylaws of GRWD. 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 701-662-5781. A nominating form can also be downloaded from our website, [www.grwdnd.com](http://www.grwdnd.com).**

## How to become a director

If interested in serving as director, a nomination form must be completed and returned by January 11, 2023. The form can be requested from the office or downloaded from GRWD’s website, [www.grwdnd.com](http://www.grwdnd.com). The nominating committee will review all nominations and place up to 6 names on the ballot. If you completed a nominating form and are not placed on the ballot, you can be nominated from the floor at the annual meeting. The top three majority vote winners will serve for a one, two or three year term as determined by lottery.

## 2023 water and sewer rates

**2023 water base rates** – Members paying \$30 will be paying \$35 a month. This includes seasonal shallow pits.

Members paying \$35 will be paying \$40 a month.

Members paying \$45 will remain at the current rate.

The **cost of water** will be raised from 5.00 per 1000 gallons to **\$5.50 per thousand** starting on January 1, 2023.

Commercial, bulk and contract users will also see adjustments to their cost of water.

**Rates for the rural sewer system will remain the same in 2023.**