

# Columbine Lake Water District 2012 Newsletter

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## What happened to my water bill?

If you missed our hearing back in November regarding rate increases, you may be taking a second look at your 2012 water bill. The Board of Directors held a workshop in October to analyze the 2012 budget. They also worked to determine what projects were most needed and how these projects could be funded. With government funding becoming more difficult to find, low interest loans are one of the few financial options communities like ours qualify for. In order to qualify for these loans our rates needed to be in line with the surrounding Districts. Our water rates were much lower by comparison. In the past, tap fees kept our reserve account healthy but with no new homes being built, that is no longer the case. With the rate increases the District will be able to take care of immediate concerns as well as help the District qualify for more funding opportunities. The Flat Rate increased from \$170 to \$200 with the fixture rate increasing to \$16 per fixture from \$13 per fixture. Please also take into consideration the last increase was back in 1996.



## Board of Directors Elections

Last December Carl Anderson resigned his position on the Columbine Lake Water District's Board of Directors. He occupied his seat since the Board's inception in 1970. We thank you Carl for all of your years serving this community. This year the District's election will be held in May. There are two seats up for election. If you would like to get involved and serve on the Board, please contact the office for more information. 970-627-3683



## In case of an EMERGENCY

Do we have all of your contact information? In the event of an emergency staff may need to notify you about any potential problems.

Please make sure we have the necessary contact numbers and/or emails for you. Email any changes to [gasnertlwsd@rkymtnhi.com](mailto:gasnertlwsd@rkymtnhi.com) or call 970-627-3683.

## You're Always Welcome

Columbine Lake Water District Board Meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 3pm at 1111 CR 48. (Three Lakes Water & Sanitation Administration Building). These meetings are always open to the public. If you can't make these 3 pm meetings, the Board of Directors for Columbine Lake Water District will be attending the HOA Board of Directors meeting on **January 14, 2012**. We will present information on upcoming projects and can answer any other questions you may have. Hope to see you there.



## Projects

A number of owners on Columbine Drive have had issues with stagnate water sitting in their water lines. This summer, the District replaced these lines successfully. This project improved their water pressure and alleviated the standing water issue. The Board will decide on future projects when funding is established.

## Fire Hydrants

It has come to our attention that during the summer months a number of tree spraying companies are using Columbine Lake fire hydrants to fill up their tanks. This is not allowed! Cross contamination can occur. This upcoming summer if you see this practice happening, please call the office immediately at the number below.



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