



Indian Valley Community Services District

“Providing services for our community health, well-being, and prosperity.”

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Hello All! We had quite the winter and spring with rain that has helped keep things green and save on water use! I am sure that the hot weather will be here soon. Just a reminder to fertilize plants and lawns to help keep them green and use less water. Also, please water before noon and after 6 pm. We are working with PG&E in lowering our energy cost for producing water at the water plant facility.

As you have probably noticed, our billing system has changed. We have made this change to continue to save on the cost of doing business. The postcards have not only cut the cost of postage, but it has reduced the time it takes to perform the billing function from three days to about three hours. This is huge! We appreciate all of you who pay their bills on time. Don't forget, you can pay online now too! Just go to the home page of our website, www.indianvalleycsd.com and click on the red "online pay bill" button.



The Park staff have been doing a very good job in getting the parks ready for summer use. The



turf at Greenville Park is green and filling in. The pool at Chuck Clay Park is prepped and ready for fun water sports. We were able to obtain a new 60" mower for the park, which has made mowing much quicker with a more even cut. Staff is taking pride in improving these parks for our resident's enjoyment! The Park ad hoc will be making recommendations for additional improvements in the months to come.

The District did receive a \$280,000 planning grant this year to map and find aging pipes in the Greenville Water System. This grant will allow us to create plans for replacement of the older systems that we can submit for

future grant funding once the plans are complete.

Our new Fire Chief, Anthony Balbiani, took the helm on January 2, 2018, and has been working hard on training



personnel, getting all of our equipment in tip top shape, and interacting with the public.

Volunteers are now ready to respond to any type of fire or other incident that might need our assistance. The Chief's "get it done"

attitude is making fire personnel ready to respond to out of area fires. He has secured the proper agreements and Board actions necessary to allow our firefighters to respond to Forest Service and OES incidents. These responses will help bring some much needed funding to the Fire Department!



The District's final hearing for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget will be on July 18, 2018. The Board will decide the issues and priorities for the current year. A budget will be built around the goals that are set. If you have ideas or input, we would love to hear from you at our upcoming meeting!



There have been a number of changes in Taylorsville as well. Thanks to the help of kind residents, the Neer and Banchio families, some work has been done on the Taylorsville Fire station to take care of the weather damage that has occurred over the years. We will still have to paint and do some other work to the exterior to bring the building back into tip-top shape. The planning committee is also looking at standardizing the signs at all of our District locations!

The facilities at the Taylorsville pool also received a badly needed facelift. The ceilings in the bathrooms were never finished, and various critters were getting into them through cracks. We have now sealed all the cracks, insulated the ceiling, and placed drywall. The lights were also replaced to brighten everything up. Hot water is important while showering after swimming. This year we replaced the tankless hot water heater and worked on venting in the storage room. There are still other improvement we want to make to this facility including fencing, enclosing the outside shower and hiding all of the pipes in the restrooms. Look for those improvements in the near future.



Another exciting development is the District's approval for a US Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant for \$50,000, of which the District is responsible for 25%, to purchase a used Type One Fire Engine for the Fire Department. We found a used engine at the Williams Fire Protection Authority and were accepted for a bid of \$22,111. The Fire Department will be going down to pick up this engine the week of June 25. This engine will replace one of our older, more costly pieces of equipment. The Firefighters Association assisted in this purchase by providing 50% of the total cost. The District really appreciates this contribution.

It is that time of year for us to review all the water/sewer account, and find all customers who are over \$300 delinquent and begin the tax lien process in an attempt to collect the debt. Please, if you are behind by close to \$300, contact Jeff Titcomb, the Office Manager, at (530) 284-7224 as soon as possible to work out an agreement to avoid a lien.

The District would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers for their continued support. We are striving to make our customers proud of the District's facilities and program. Please let us know if you find areas of improvement that are needed so that we can address any issues. Please enjoy your summer and make it a safe one!