

Newsletter

December 2022



President's Letter

This has been an exciting year for Eastgate Village Water and Sewer Association. We were able to secure two grants to help with the cost of the upgrades to the water system. The grant total is one million. The estimate for the water system upgrades is about 1.5 million. This means that we can go ahead with the project. We may not have to get an additional loan as we do have reserve funds that should be able to cover the \$500,000.

We received approval from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality for the new well to be installed within the Eastgate II park up near the school and utility opening. We put the well out for bid. We did receive a bid and are checking it presently. We will keep you posted on the drilling through the website. When the drilling is occurring, please keep your children away from the area.

The consultant is working on the new design for the new pump house and system. We will use the existing pump house until the new one comes on-line. We are hoping to have the design completed and approved so we can start construction next spring.

We did raise the rates a small amount to cover the additional cost for utilities for the system (0.25 for sewer and \$0.75 for water). A breakdown of the 2023 rates are below. The Board members are members of the community and are still trying to keep the rates affordable.

Please check out the website for more information and any notices.

I hope you have a great holiday season.

Jean Riley

Water/Sewer Rates For 2023

The Eastgate Water and Sewer Board will be increasing water & sewer combined rate to \$81.00 a month for single family dwellings beginning January 2023. The following is a breakdown of the monthly assessments (including water, sewer and HOA dues) for single family & single lot dwellings in Eastgate I & II:

	<u>Eastgate I</u>	<u>Eastgate II</u>
Water	\$ 41.00	\$ 41.00
Sewer	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00
HOA Dues	<u>\$ 13.00</u>	<u>\$ 14.00</u>
Total	\$ 94.00	\$ 95.00

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Payment Options

We happy offer a variety of convenient payment options for our residents. The following is a summary of the payment options available.

By Mail

You may pay your bill by check or money order through the mail. When making your monthly payments by check or money order, please make a note of your street address - either on the coupon or on your check - as that is used as your account number.

Online

You may pay your bill 24/7 using a debit or credit Card. Visit our website at www.eastgatevillage.org, select the green "Bill Payment" button and then select the "Pay Your Bill Now" button.

ACH Debit

With this service, the amount of your monthly bill is automatically deducted from your bank account and credited to your account. There is no set-up fee or charge associated with this method of payment. To set up an ACH Debit, simply complete an Authorization Agreement and mail it to our office. The Authorization Agreement can be found on our website or call the office and request the form. Upon receipt and processing of the form, a notice will be mailed to your attention indicating the beginning date for your automatic payments.

Bill Pay

Many financial institutions such as major banks offer their customers the ability to pay their bills via an online bill payment service (through your bank's website). If you choose this method of payment, please enter your physical address as your account number. This will allow us to match your payment to your account properly.



Consumer Confidence Report / Drinking Water Quality Report

The Water Quality Report / Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is now available at <https://eastgatevillage.org/ccr1>. If you need a hard copy, please contact our office. Hard copies will NOT be mailed unless requested.

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