RYE WATER DISTRICT NEWS – December 2019

Outside Water Hose Receptacles

If you haven’t already done so please remember to drain and winterize outside faucets and winterized lawn irrigation systems. Also, please ensure that your water meter, most likely located in your basement, is not venerable to freezing.

# Three Water Suppliers in Rye

In addition to private wells there are three purveyors that supply water to Rye residents. The Rye Water District (RWD) supplies water and fire protection to the major portion (approximately ¾ ) of the Town of Rye, the RWD service area is easily identified by silver and red painted fire hydrants. Aquarion Water Works, a privately-owned company in Hampton, supplies the southern portion of the Town, Jenness Beach and Rye Beach Precincts. The City of Portsmouth supplies water to the northern part of town along Pioneer Road, Sagamore Avenue, Elwyn Road, and Wentworth Road. The portions of Rye served on Wentworth Road, Harbor View Drive, Heather Drive, Elizabeth Lane, along with a section of Frontier Road are supplied by the RWD using Portsmouth provided Water. A map is posted on the RWD website showing the boundaries of these areas.

Fire Hydrants/Snow Removal

Fire hydrants are now winterized and snow markers have been installed throughout the District. We ask for your help in clearing snow away from hydrants near your property. This will be invaluable in an emergency. Please remind your snow plow operator that clears your driveway, snow should never be pushed or piled up on or near fire hydrants. It’s unlawful to do so ref. NH RSA 236:21.

Mark your 2020 Calendar

The RWD’s Annual Meeting is schedule for the 4th Saturday in March, March 28th.

As mentioned in the September Newsletter, a long overdue construction project for refurbishment of the Garland well pump house, located on Garland Road, is scheduled for 2020. Also scheduled for 2020 is a Wallis Road water line replacement project starting Route 1A intersection and going approximately 1000 feet to Park Ridge Drive area. In support of bond issues for these projects a public hearing will be required. A date has not yet been established for this hearing so please watch for notification on this. Notifications will be made in the local newspaper, RWD Website, and posting around town.

No Hunting Signs

The District’s well site properties are posted with “No Trespassing” and “No Hunting” signs. Enjoy the hunting season, but please do it responsibly.

Scheduled Meetings

The water commissioner’s monthly meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month and work sessions on the third (and fifth) Wednesday’s. These meetings are open to the public and resident’s attendance is encouraged.

Commissioner’s email

If you have any issues or concerns with the water system operations feel free to contact the commissioners via email at: commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net

Rye Water District Commissioners