

Year in Review, Upcoming Highlights and Board Member Q&A

The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District Board of Directors wish you a Happy New Year and welcome to 2013!

Throughout the coming year the District will provide a number of updates and overviews on the District's business and operations, just watch for these each month within the Stonegate Messenger. Some of these scheduled updates will include information on District general operations, parks and recreation maintenance, water conservation and restrictions, community center activities, water and utility planning, financial planning and budget updates. Additionally, the District will be bring you regularly scheduled monthly updates on the construction and facility upgrade project for the District's Wastewater Treatment Facility, the continued work on improvements to Newlin Gulch, and other improvements to the Stonegate common areas.

In 2012, Stonegate residents saw a number of significant changes and improvements to the District. Most importantly the District provided guidance and direction for a series of complex efforts related to water supply and wastewater treatment planning and operations, including management of the District's future involvement, integration and due diligence associated with the WISE Project. The WISE Project will provide a renewable water supply with the goal of reducing reliance on the nonrenewable groundwater supplies. Additionally, the District started Phase III design and construction of improvements to Stonegate's Newlin Gulch for area sustainability, which included managing issues and impacts on improving bank protection, low flow channel, standing water, floodplain management and formalizing the trail system. Also in 2012, Stonegate residents saw tremendous benefits from the Comprehensive Educational Outreach, Inspection and Audit Rebate Program for household appliance upgrades, watering and irrigation improvements, smartscape renovation and the incorporation of other water conservation technologies.

The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District functions like a small town incorporating not only the Stonegate area, but Lincoln Park, E-470 Potomac and Compark Business Campus Metro Districts as well. "Our board members work very hard throughout each month providing the needed due diligence dealing with a number of unique tasks and challenges that come with providing services to the District and its residents," says Mitch Chambers, SVMD District Manager.

Each month the current Board of Directors for the District, Norman Shaw serving as President, Joseph Maus serving as Vice President, Daniel Schmick serving as Secretary and Treasurer, Mike Sjobakken and Chris Kannawin both serving as Assistant Secretary, meet to review and guide the business and operations of Stonegate. As elected officials of our District they welcome input and collaboration from Stonegate residents on any District issue. Residents are welcome to attend the monthly board meeting or may contact board members via email through the District website. If a matter requires immediate or urgent attention, please call the District's offices at 303-858-9909.

The District Board Members welcome input from all residents, and recently the following questions were asked of Director Mike Sjobakken of the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District. Mike Sjobakken has been a Director and SVMD Board Member for over 8 years, and has been actively involved with all Stonegate District business and operations since joining the board.

Question: Why did you decide to run for the Stonegate Board? *"I felt it was a way I could participate and help keep Stonegate a great place to live. I am very fortunate to have been able to serve on the board for the last 8 years and help to bring a lot of great additions to Stonegate. I am most proud of the pool and community center upgrades. It makes me feel good to see so many residents taking advantage of the new community center,"* says Mike Sjobakken, District Board Member.

Question: What would you like the residents to understand the most about the District's business and operations? *"It is no small feat to run and operate a water and sewer district for 4,000+ homes, schools and businesses plus maintain our pools, parks and open spaces. Stonegate has a significant contingent*

of managers, operations staff, engineers, lawyers and accountants that all work on behalf of the Stonegate residents and board. In addition, Stonegate also provides water and sewer services to several other districts including Lincoln Park, Compark and E470 Potomac. Before I ran for the board I had no idea how much is involved in providing the district's various services to our residents and partnering districts," says Mike Sjobakken, District Board Member.

Question: What project(s) do you look forward to working on for the District this year? *"We just kicked off the preliminary design phase of a major upgrade to the Stonegate Waste Water Treatment facility. Due to changes in regulation Stonegate needs to upgrade our facilities to meet stricter treatment limits and replace aging equipment. This project will ensure our facility can continue to provide treatment services to our residents, schools and businesses for many years to come. We selected one of the top engineering companies in the world (Burns and McDonnell) to design the upgrades and oversee the construction. You will hear more about this project as it progresses," says Mike Sjobakken, District Board Member.*

The next District Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16th, 5:00 pm, and for more information on Stonegate Village Metropolitan District operations, as well as the many other District projects and programs supporting the community, please visit the District website at www.svmd.org, or call 303-858-9909, and or mail us at Stonegate Village Metropolitan District, 2 Inverness Drive East, Suite 200, Englewood, CO 80112.