



News Around The Water Tower

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Rural Water District No. 2
Miami County, KS
25290 Harmony Road Paola, KS 66071

Taking Pride In Your District

Did You Know:

- The average bath takes 30 to 50 gallons.
- An average showerhead will deliver 7 gallons of water per minute.
- The average toilet uses 5-7 gallons of water per flush.
- An average family of 4 will use 12 gallons of water daily for cooking and drinking.
- An average tub holds more than 50 gallons of water.
- In one hour, 1,000 gallons of water can run through a garden hose.
- 190 gallons of water can be lost in a single day by a faucet dripping one drop of water per second.
- 3% of the earth's water is fresh water.



The District Office and Plant has received a new look. Not inside, but outside. The staff has been working on landscaping the front of the District Office and Plant. When the plant was constructed in the late eighties no landscaping was done. The landscaping was removed from the plans to cut construction costs.

This summer the staff created a landscaping mound at the corner of the District's property along 253rd & Harmony Road. This adds lots of color with the knock out roses, lilies, ornamental grasses, spirea, irises and diatheses. A birch tree adds a center focal point.

The east parking lot and side walks along with the front entry way have been replaced. A handicap accessible ramp was installed. Roses, lilies, ornamental grasses and coreopsis flowers were planted on each side of the entry. A

three tiered fountain was placed below the District Office sign to accent the west side. Colorful river rock finished off the project.

The runoff from the building's gutters created problems along the east side of the building as well as on the parking lot. During winter months the freezing and thawing of the water from the drain pipes contributed to the decay of the sidewalk and parking lot. An



underground drain was installed to divert the drainage away from the building and parking lot. Cedar flower pots were constructed and placed along the east side of the building. Each pot was filled with blooming plants and colorful foliage to brighten the area.

A flower bed of lilies, roses and irises was constructed along part of the east side of the treatment plant. This bed remains a work in progress. The landscaping

Board of Directors

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The Board of Directors meet the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The meetings are held at the District Office located at 25290 Harmony Road, Hillsdale, KS. District patrons and the public are always welcome.

and outside improvements will continue into 2009 as the west parking lot and sidewalks get replaced.

The staff is proud of the final results and hope that you enjoy it as much as they are. They invite you to come by and take a look, stop by and say hello.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Closed Saturday & Sunday
Telephone Number - 913-783-4325
Fax Number - 913-783-4375
After Hours Emergency-913-783-4325
follow the prompts.

Web Site -
ruralwater2mico.com

For your convenience, after hours payments may be made online or at your own risk in the drop box at the District Office.

Understanding Your Water Bill

A few months back Rural Water District No. 2 implemented a new statement for your monthly water bill. Your monthly water bill now comes in an envelope with a newsletter and a return payment envelope. If you pay online, have your bill automatically withdrawn by ACH debit or pay through your bank you do not receive a return payment envelope. The statement contains a lot of valuable information about your account. The sample below explains the new statement format.

SAMPLE STATEMENT FOR THE BILLING MONTH OF AUGUST

Rural Water District No. 2
Miami County, KS
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Quality On Tap!
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Bill To: Joe Smith, R803, 999 Main, Anywhere, KS 66071

Bill Date: 08/01/2008

Service Location: 999 Main

Account No.	Service No.
SM10001	0001
Service From	Service To
06/16/2008	07/16/2008

FAILURE TO RECEIVE BILL DOES NOT RELIEVE CUSTOMER OF PENALTY

Service Code	Meter Readings		Gallons Used	Amount
	Previous	Present		
Previously Billed				\$ 30.31
R	4735	5030	2950	\$ 27.80
WPT				\$ 0.09
02				\$ 4.53
Amount Due				\$ 62.73
Payments/Credits Received				\$ 34.84
Total Due Upon Receipt				\$ 27.89

Due Date: 08/16/2008

Late Charge After Due Date: \$ 4.17

Amount Due After the 16th: \$ 32.06

Service Codes:
01-Return Check Fee, 02-Late Fee, 03-Tampering Fee, 04-Equipment Fee, 05-Transferring Fee, 06-Reconnection Fee, R-Regular Billing, F-Final Billing, C-Corrected Billing, ST-Sales Tax, WPT-Water Plan Tax

This Month's Usage	Days	Gallons	Gallons per Day	Total Cost per Day
	30	2950	98.33333	\$ 0.9267

Detach Bottom And Return with Payment

Billed To:	
Joe Smith	
Account No.	Due Date
SM10001	08/16/2008
Service Address	
999 Main	
Pay By Due Date	Pay After Due Date
\$ 27.89	\$ 32.06

Office Hours: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

For After Hours Payments: Use Our Drop Box For Your Convenience Located at the District Office 25290 Harmony Road Paola, KS or Pay Online at www.ruralwater2mico.com

Callout Boxes:

- This is your account number and Benefit Unit (Service) number.
- This is the time period the water was used.
- The beginning and ending readings for the month. Add the constant "0" to the end of each reading for the complete number.
- The current month's usage.
- These are the codes for the type of charges being billed.
- This indicates your payment is automatically withdrawn each month by ACH debit.
- The date the current bill is due.
- The amount of the late charge if the current bill is not paid by the 16th of the month.
- The amount due if the current bill is paid after the 16th of the month.
- Detach along this line and return the bottom portion with your payment.
- This is the date the bill was printed.
- This is the physical address where the meter is set.
- This is the amount billed for the previous month.
- This is the amount for the water usage for the current month.
- This is the amount of the Water Plan Tax.
- The amount of late charge accessed the account if the bill was paid after the 16th of the previous month.
- Payments received during the month.
- Total Amount Due for the current month. This amount is due by the 16th of the month.
- Daily usage information.