

## Del Paso Manor Water District Newsletter

March-April 2019

#### From the DPMWD Board President,

I am honored that my neighbors elected me to the Del Paso Manor Water District Board of Directors and proud to have been chosen as Board President by my fellow directors. I fully understand the abundant challenges facing our small district as we strive to maintain our independence and financial viability.

Although the cost of doing business continues to increase, we are committed to finding cost saving opportunities. We cannot do business as usual and expect to keep our independence. Already the new board has pushed forward, appointing six ad-hoc committees to help achieve the goals of our district and improve the way we do business. Those committees are taking an indepth look at every aspect of the District's operations with the goal of finding ways to improve our procedures for efficiency. These committees are working diligently and have already made progress in all areas.

Once we have our house in order later this year, we will be reviewing the 2009 Master Plan and how best to address our aging infrastructure. The Board and staff cannot do this alone, so I am asking for all the residents to participate by attending meetings to listen and address issues. I have increased the public comment speaking time to 5 minutes and encourage comments on every agenda item after board discussion. Our residents have valuable personal and professional experience and we are asking you to share that with the Board. If you cannot attend the meeting, feel free to reach out to me or my fellow Board members at any time.

It will take time, perseverance, and unity to tackle the many hurdles ahead of us, but I am confident that with hard work and dedication we will succeed.

Thank you,
John Lenahan
Board President
Del Paso Manor Water District



### **MEETING CHANGE NOTICE!**

To better serve the residents of Del Paso Manor Water District, the Board decided to change the date and time of our regular monthly board meetings.

DPMWD Board Meetings will be held at the District Office, 1817 Maryal Drive, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95864 on the First Tuesday of each month at 6:30p.m.

# Contact Information Needed

The District is asking for your help. We are compiling a list of all customers' e-mail addresses and current phone numbers.

Out of 1,800 customers, the District has collected less than 100 e-mail addresses to date.

The District is looking into paperless billing in the future. Please let us know if you are interested in having this option.

Please call the office at (916) 487-0419.



### **Notice of Vacant Board Position**

Richard Allen recently resigned his position as a Del Paso Manor Water District board member. We are thankful to him for his many years of service and contributions to our District. DPMWD Board of Directors is seeking applicants to fill the vacant Director position. Please visit our website to view the complete notice. Interested applicants must be registered voters and live in the Del Paso Manor Water District service area. If you qualify and wish to apply, please submit a letter containing a brief summary of your interest, qualifications, and background along with a resume to:

Debra Sedwick, General Manager Del Paso Manor Water District 1817 Maryal Drive, Suite 300 Sacramento, CA 95864

We must receive your letter of interest and resume no later than April 19, 2019 by 1p.m. The appointment of the new Director will occur by May 5, 2019.

### **Attention All DPMWD Ratepayers**

We invite you to help us create a new name for our newsletter. Please call the office or e-mail us at **dpmwd@sbcglobal.net** with your ideas. As a public agency we cannot award a cash prize, but we will announce the new name in our next issue and congratulate the winner. All submissions are due by May 1st.

The Board of Directors voted to end the contract with our public relations/outreach firm. We have brought all communication to the ratepayers back in-house. The Water Spots bi-monthly newsletter was costing the District \$3,000 per issue. The newsletter will now be produced in-house and the only cost to the ratepayers will be printing/folding fees which we expect to be less than \$300.

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