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NEW OAK LODGE SANITARY DISTRICT GENERAL MANAGER

On January 21, 2008, J. Michael Read began working as the new General Manager for OLSD. In this article he shares information on his background and experience as well as some of his perspectives on the challenges and opportunities facing the District.

I am delighted to have been selected by the OLSD Board to serve as General Manager. This new role holds welcome challenges for me and I look forward to working with the Board, employees and customers of the District in moving forward with our plans to serve the long-term objectives of protecting public health and the environment.

Prior to coming to OLSD, I worked for HDR Engineering in Portland. HDR is a large national firm based in Omaha, Nebraska providing water, environmental, and transportation design and planning services. I was originally hired by HDR to manage their Oregon operations but most recently was working in their national Management and Planning Services group, providing utility consultant services to water/wastewater utilities.



From 2003 through 2007, while an HDR employee, I served as an officer of the Water Environment Federation where I was President in 2005-2006. WEF is an international technical and educational association with 35,000 members. During my time as a WEF officer, I traveled extensively throughout the world, meeting with local, state, and national leaders representing water quality and supply interests. This was a wonderful experience through which I learned how truly blessed we are in North America with our abundance of safe, clean water and our commitment to the environment.

Before working for HDR, I was the Director of Water Environment Services operating the CCSD No. 1 and Tri-City Service districts, so I am very familiar with the long-term wastewater service challenges facing Clackamas County. From 1989 through 1997, I worked for the City of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services as the Director of Wastewater Management. With my new responsibilities at Oak Lodge, I guess I can now say that during my career I have been responsible for the operations of all wastewater treatment facilities serving the metropolitan urban corridor along the Willamette River from Oregon City to the Willamette/Columbia confluence.

OLSD faces several significant challenges. The treatment facility is outdated and in risk of mechanical failures and potential process upsets. If the treatment system's limitations are not addressed adequately in the near-term, we face potential permit violations and water quality impacts. The good news is that the District has a new Master Plan that provides a capital

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improvement planning tool for addressing these limitations. Further good news is that OLSD has an excellent staff of professionals who are working diligently to keep the system operating properly, despite its limitations. This dedicated staff is committed to protecting public health and the water quality of the Willamette River.

Of course, the required facility improvements will be expensive. Another challenge facing the District is managing the scope, schedule and procurement process in a manner that assures that sewer rates are kept affordable. We will address this challenge by creatively evaluating the recommendations of the Master Plan and procuring new facilities in the most effective and rate-efficient manner possible. We are about to embark on a Value Planning process to define the best approach to meeting the capital improvement needs of the District, both in terms of specific projects and the method and schedule for implementation.

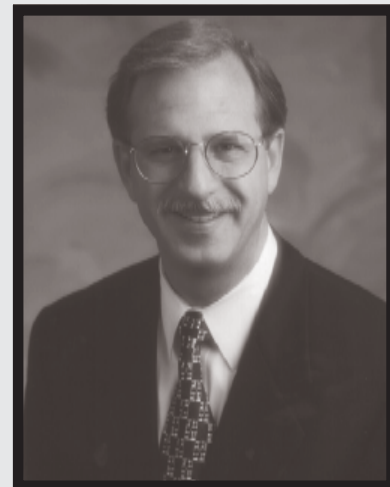
In closing, I want to let the Citizens who are served by the District know that we understand that we work for you and will do our very best to assure that your interests are represented in every activity that we undertake. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

J. Michael Read, General Manager

DISTRICT SAYS GOODBYE TO GENERAL MANAGER KENT SQUIRES

December 31, 2007 was the last work day for Oak Lodge Sanitary District's long-time General Manager, Kent Squires. Kent worked for the District for 34 years. He began his employment as a treatment plant operator in 1973. He became General Manager in 1986, and served in that position through the end of 2007.

On November 15, during the District's annual Volunteer Recognition Event, committee volunteers organized a special celebration to recognize Kent for his years of service to the Oak Lodge community. He was presented with an honorary plaque and speeches were given about his career with the District.



Thank you Kent for your many years of dedicated service!

YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNIZED

During the annual luncheon on December 4, 2007, three Oak Lodge Sanitary District employees received special recognition for reaching one, five, and ten years of service milestones. Former General Manager Kent Squires presented each employee with a years of service pin. Employees who complete their first year of service with OLSD receive a logo lapel pin, and those with longer milestones have their pins updated to show length of service.



1 Year Service Pin

Kyle Mellinger

5 Year Service Pin

Faith Paddock

10 Year Service Pin

Trevor Lierman

YOUR DISTRICT ACCOUNT NUMBER

If you are a customer who pays online through your bank, and you move to a new residence, please remember to change your District account number.

Oak Lodge Sanitary District's account numbers are specific to home or business addresses, not to individuals.

Many customers have changed residences while continuing to pay their bills through their bank's online services. If the bank does not receive the new account number, checks are sent to Oak Lodge Sanitary District for the previous account, not the new one. This results in payments being applied to the wrong home or business.

If you have questions about Oak Lodge Sanitary District's account numbers, please contact the administration office at 503-653-1653.

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Oak Lodge Sanitary District meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the District's Office, 14611 SE River Road. The public is encouraged to attend.

Board Directors:

Paul Savas, President
William Wild, Vice President
Jim Martin
David Seigneur
Doug Woods

VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE TO DISTRICT

Oak Lodge Sanitary District's tenth annual Volunteer Recognition Event was held on November 15, 2007, in the District Administration Building. The event honored the 33 people who volunteered their service to the District in 2007. The evening highlighted the activities of the Board of Directors and each of the three committees. The evening's theme was thanking volunteers for helping the District "Cultivate a Renewed Commitment to Environmental Stewardship." Former General Manager Kent Squires recognized each volunteer with a certificate of appreciation, a gardening tote bag, and an evergreen huckleberry plant, which is an Oregon native.

Board of Directors

- Paul Savas, President
- Doug Woods, Vice-President
- Jim Martin
- David Seigneur
- William Wild
- Chuck Petersen
- Elton Storment

Budget Committee

- Jim Cannici
- Hunter Coleman
- Mike Grant
- Bruce Hoyt
- Greg Leedy
- Leonard Waldemar
- Henry Schmidt

Master Plan Community Advisory Committee

- Matthew Anderson
- Tom Foeller
- Gerald Foy
- Susan Gile
- Mike Grant
- Thelma Haggemiller
- Greg Leedy
- Myron Martwick
- Sylvia Milne
- Bob Murch
- Margaret Pritchard
- Henry Schmidt
- Brad Smith
- Walt Steinbrenner
- Charlie Stephens
- Leonard Waldemar
- William Wild

SWM Citizens Advisory Committee

- Matthew Anderson
- Jim Brown
- Tom Civiletti
- Edith Coulter
- Tom Foeller
- Terry Gibson
- Mike Grant
- Bruce Hoyt
- Kevin Kuhel
- Eini Lowell
- Myron Martwick
- Leonard Waldemar



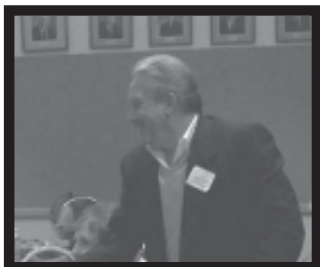
Tom Foeller



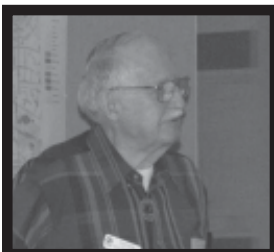
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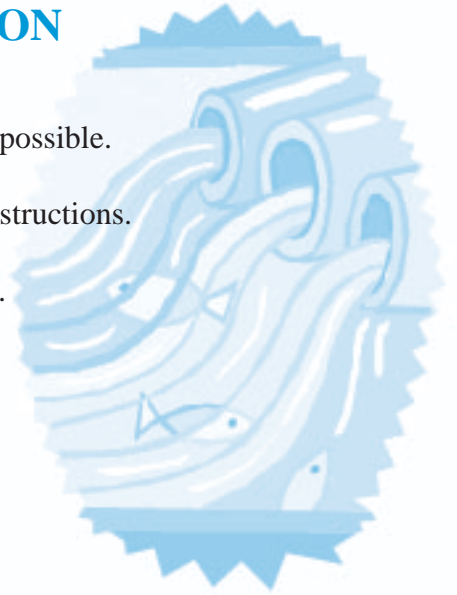
Chuck Petersen



Elton Storment

SEVEN SIMPLE WAYS TO HELP PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION

1. Keep your vehicles well maintained to prevent oil leaks. Drive less if possible.
2. Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly, and always follow the label instructions.
3. Sweep debris from your driveway or porch instead of hosing them off.
4. Plant native plants along stream banks to control erosion.
5. Properly dispose of oil, paint and other chemicals.
6. Wash your car on the lawn with phosphate-free soaps.
7. Pick up after your pet and dispose of wastes in the trash can.



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