KOOTENAI-PONDERAY SEWER DISTRICT

The Waste Watcher

Our Mission: To provide the best possible customer and wastewater services while preserving the public health, in accordance with all State and Federal regulations, while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

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BOARD MEMBERS
Jim Osman
Larry Ellis
Eric Paull
Robert Thurston
Daniel Hanson

BOARD MEETINGS:
August 11
September 8
October 14

Board meetings are held at 6:00 PM at the District office, located at 511 Whiskey Jack Road.

August 25
Public Hearing
Budget & Rates
5:00 PM

OFFICE CLOSURE



September 1st-Labor Day

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 562
Kootenai, ID 83840
OFC: (208) 263-0229
FAX: (208) 265-5326

811 Know what's below. Call 811 before you dig.

Important Information

Budget Public Hearing— August 25th, 5 PM: 2024-2025 Proposed Budget Revision, Rate Review and Review of 2025-2026 Proposed Budget. Meetings are open to the public and are held at the District office located at 511 Whiskey Jack Road.

Delinquent Accounts: Per Idaho Code§42-3212 accounts having a past due balance on August 1st, have been turned over to the County Tax Rolls for collections. Please give the County Treasurer's office a couple of weeks to input this information before contacting them with payment questions. They can be reached at (208) 265-1433. This year, the District placed approximately $48,000 in unpaid charges onto the county tax rolls. This amount is lower than last year's total of about $57,000, and represents a decrease in the number of properties affected as well.

MEET THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF OUR TEAM

John



Hello! My wife and I moved to the Sandpoint/ Ponderay area in 2015 from Georgia. I enjoy martial arts, snowboarding, outdoor sports and spending time on the lake. I have a background in Welding technologies and industrial and Automotive maintenance. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve my community as part of the KPSD Collections department.

Beate



Beate, pronounced <Bee-ah-tuh> is new to Idaho. After many years of teaching, she is excited to begin a new chapter as the Clerk Administrative Assistant. She is married with one son in college. She loves to make cards, and spend time with her family. She is looking forward to getting to know the community and already loves her KPSD family.

Calling all local young Artists

The **Kootenai Ponderay Sewer District** invites kids (4-12yrs) to enter our fun and educational drawing contest!
Draw your very own **Water Hero** — a superhero who protects the sewer system and keeps our water clean!



Theme: *"Be a Water Hero!"*
Paper Size: 8.5" x 11"
Include: Child's **name** and **age** on the back of the drawing/art work
Mail Entries To:

Administrative Clerk Assistant
ATTN: Drawing Contest
Kootenai Ponderay Sewer District
P.O. Box 562
Kootenai, ID 83840

Deadline: Submit your drawing by October 1, 2025 (must be post marked before this date to qualify).
Your child must live within the District to participate.

Winner's artwork will be featured in the next edition of our Sewer District Newsletter (which is also published on our website and social media accounts)!
All entries will be considered for publication, with participants' **first names and ages only included** in the newsletter and all places the newsletter is posted.

Helpful Billing Tips

Worried you will miss a payment? Here are some helpful suggestions.

- **Use our Online portal:** Our payment portal gives you the ability to pay by credit card, set up automatic recurring payments, access your account (s) on-line, and view your last billing statement or payment history. The portal works best on a home computer rather than your mobile device.
- **To help stay on track**: Set up a digital reminder on your phone, or write it on a physical calendar. Sewer bills are billed quarterly, Q1 (Jan-Feb-Mar) Q2 (Apr-May-Jun) Q3 (Jul-Aug-Sep) Q4 (Oct–Nov-Dec) and due on the last day of each quarter. Bills are mailed out in February, May, August and November (via USPS or email depending on how you set this up originally). Payments can be made monthly or quarterly, as long as the balance is paid in full by the end of the quarter.
- **Call us for help:** Make sure you have completed your owner paperwork. This process will create your password, which allows us to discuss your account when you call the office. Without this information we are unable to assistant you over the phone. This information is used only within our office and is kept confidential. Visit us in the office to get this set up.
- **Bank Bill Pay Reminder**: If you use your bank's bill pay service please note that it can take 5 to 7 days for KPSD to receive the check. To avoid late fees, make sure to schedule your payment **early enough** for it to arrive by the due date.