

Tenino Monthly Sewer Update

June 29, 2009

Sewer Plant (WWTP)

With less than five months to scheduled completion, the sewer treatment plant is still on schedule to commence receiving sewage in November, 2009. Boss Construction completed the monitoring wells and the liner for the sludge and equalization basins. All concrete for the NPW head works has been poured and the mason is putting the final touches on the split face block walls.

Service Connection (Grinder pump install and connection to Houses)

RP and Company continues to install grinder pump chambers. Because R P & Company has yet to supply a schedule for the sequence of their installations, City staff is currently unable to provide dates for installations greater than one week in advance.

Additional Information

Homeowners are **encouraged** to install their portion of the electrical circuit ahead of the actual installation of the grinder pump chambers. If a homeowner calls City Hall, RP & Company's electrical contractor will install the control panel on their house prior to the installation of the grinder pump chambers. This will allow the homeowner's electrician to complete the homeowner's portion of the electrical circuit on the homeowner's schedule.

NEW UPDATE: Ordinance 744 section 8 TMC13.06.500.B states "At the time of initial construction and connection, the property owner shall be responsible for all electrical service and connections to the grinder pump control panel". Washington State Labor and Industries Electrical Division has determined a **type 3R double pole double throw disconnect switch** must be placed in the electrical circuit between the control panel and the electrical service panel. This disconnect switch must be lockable and shall be located by the control panel. Per Ordinance 744 the homeowner is responsible for this disconnect switch.

Any assistance from homeowners with locating sprinkler systems during the installation of their grinder pump chambers and associated connecting lines would be greatly appreciated. Along that line, occupants of all properties in the city are again reminded: **they are responsible for watering and maintaining their own lawns** after RP & Company has hydro seeded any areas they disturbed during the installation of the sewer grinder pump chambers and associated parts.

Capacity charges were due on June 1st. Owners that have not paid these capacity charges and have not applied for an extension due to a hardship, are reminded under TMC 13.06.400 Enforcement, owners can be held responsible for all connection costs and attorney fees. Ignoring the billing is not an option; failure to pay could result in a lien followed by foreclosure on their property. See back side for TMC 13.06.400

Mayor Kenneth Jones and his staff.