

Monroe Township Municipal Authority News

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2021 Monroe Sewer Project – Southern District

In our ongoing effort to maintain and upgrade the Township's sanitary sewer system, Monroe Township will be commencing the second phase of sanitary sewer replacement projects starting in mid-June of 2021. This year's project will include pipe replacement, manhole replacement, cleanout installation, and roadway restoration along a portion of Kuhn Road and follow the right-of-way through the woods to Laurel Drive and along a portion of Asper Drive. This phase of the planned projects will take approximately 6 weeks to complete. In preparation for this year's project, the Department of Public Works already cleaned out sewer right-of-way in this area to allow better access to the sewer lines and to better maintain these areas. The Township budgeted \$327,000 for this project, and bids were received from 7 companies. The Township has engaged Custer Excavating, as the lowest qualified bidder with a project price of \$265,661.55, to complete this phase of the improvement projects.

We ask that you use caution when approaching the construction crews that will be in the area over the next several months and obey the traffic control signs and flaggers directions during this project for everyone's safety.

Please contact the Township office at 717-258-6642 or 717-697-4613 with any questions.

Sewer Bill Online Payments and e-Billing Customer Portal

The portal provides you with the opportunity to create an account through self-registration to access your account information and activity online, including paying your bills via electronic payment. The option to sign up for e-Billing is also available. If you are interested in creating a customer portal account go to <https://monroetwp.authoritypay.com/> and click on Set Up Online Access.

Turn over for more information



Reminder - What not to Flush: Common Sense Rules

Residents on public sewers are reminded to only dispose of toilet paper, human waste and gray water into the sewer system. Gray water is water that has been used for things like bathing, cleaning, and laundry.

Do not flush:

- Rags, towels, cleaning cloths or wipes (even if the packaging says they are flushable!)
- Disposable diapers
- Paper towels or napkins
- Feminine paper products
- Oil and grease
- Paint and solvents

When the above items are disposed of into sinks or toilets, they create maintenance problems for our sewer system, which translate to increased costs and ultimately increased user fees. These products must be disposed of properly through domestic trash or an appropriate recycling center.

Reminder – Check Your Sewer Clean Out Caps

With nice weather arriving please take moment to locate your sewer clean outs and make sure the caps are in place and not broken or damaged in any way.

Clean outs are commonly PVC pipe, but can be cast iron on older connections, about four to six inches in diameter and stick out of the ground. However, it is not uncommon for the clean out to be at ground level or even slightly buried. There should be a cap that screws into the pipe and prevents ground water from entering the sewer system. It is critical for the cap to be on and in good condition, especially when the clean out is low to the ground. If the cap or the pipe is damaged, ground water will enter the sewer. When ground water enters the system, our treatment costs increase.

Damage to the cap can be easily caused by aging, lawnmowers and other work that could have occurred in close proximity to the clean out. Please locate and regularly check your clean outs. If the cap or pipe is damaged, please contact the Township Office (717-258-6642 or 717-697-4613) we will be happy to provide a replacement and advise on possible repairs.

Thank you for helping to maintain our system and control costs.

Always Invited

All of Monroe's meetings are open to the public.

Please feel free to attend to see firsthand all that goes into supporting our hometown and to maybe see how you can get involved.

Check out Monroe Township's website for more information, previous newsletters and the meeting schedules for all of our Township's leadership boards; Board of Supervisor, Recreation, Municipal Authority, Planning Commission & Zoning Hearing.

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Stay tuned for more information on various related subjects. Any questions at all, please feel free to contact your Township office.