

FLORIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



Hello Florin County Water District and Happy New Year! This is what's been happening in the District since our July 2024 Newsletter.

November 2024 Election Results

The November elections resulted with one current Board Member, Cindy Russell, being re-elected. The District would like to welcome two new Board Members, Edward Taylor and Rachel Walker, to the Florin County Water District Board of Directors. The five-member Board now consists of, Edward Taylor, Rachel Walker, Cindy Russell, Leonard Heimericks, and Judi Johnson. Director Johnson was voted to be the new Board President. A Vice President will be appointed soon.

Grand Jury Report

A Grand Jury Report was released in June 2024 titled, "Infighting and Turmoil Drown Florin County Water District." The report is available on the District's website at florincountywd.org. The report did not address the quality of water you receive or the operations of the District, but focused mainly on the Board's management of the District. The Board's initial response to the report is also available on the District's website.

Water Rates

One of the major findings in the Grand Jury Report is that the District relies mainly on flat water rates. With most customers being on a flat rate of \$20.00 per month for water service, the Grand Jury determined this rate is not sufficient to cover the cost of District operations.

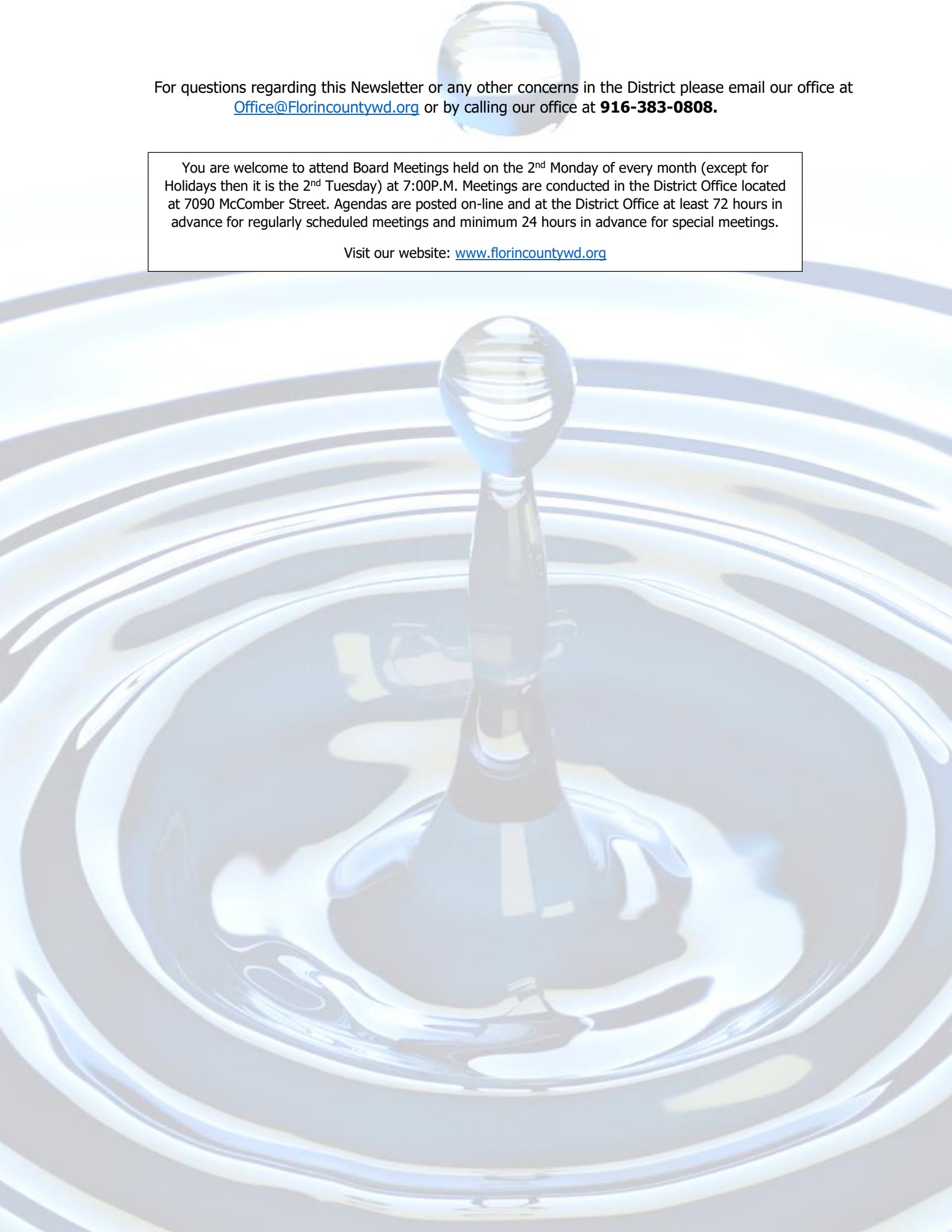
In response, the Board has contracted for both a capital improvement program as well as a rate study to determine what rates the District should charge to maintain operations. The Board is unsure of what the outcome of the two studies will be, however, the Board anticipates rate increases are vital. The Board will follow California Proposition 218 requirements and fully inform all customers of the final result.

Other News

The Tommy Circle project has been addressed in both of our previous newsletters. This project is on hold due to other maintenance priorities within the District.

In October 2024, the District completed an 18-month study to comply with EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) regulations. The results of this study found no lead pipes located within the District's water distribution system.

It is with great sadness that the District announces the passing of one of its employees, Kyle Kassel. Kyle was a dedicated employee and devoted over 10 years to the District. He was creative, kind, hard-working, and you could always count on him for a good laugh. We thank you Kyle for all that you have done for this District, friends, and family. You will truly be missed.



For questions regarding this Newsletter or any other concerns in the District please email our office at Office@Florincountywd.org or by calling our office at **916-383-0808**.

You are welcome to attend Board Meetings held on the 2nd Monday of every month (except for Holidays then it is the 2nd Tuesday) at 7:00P.M. Meetings are conducted in the District Office located at 7090 McComber Street. Agendas are posted on-line and at the District Office at least 72 hours in advance for regularly scheduled meetings and minimum 24 hours in advance for special meetings.

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