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<u>Fire Department News</u> <u>How Can I Help EMS Responders When I</u> <u>Call 911</u>

- 1) Can we find your house? Can we see your house numbers from the street?
- 2) Are your pets detained inside a fence or in another room? Barking dogs make it difficult to communicate with patients and family members during an emergency.
- 3) Do you have an outside light on for responders during evening hours?
- 4) Is there a clear path up your driveway to your front door for our gurney access?
- 5) Do you know the patient's medical history? Being a good historian, providing a list of medications, and a POLST form (if completed) are all very helpful for responders.

Free Smoke Detectors

The Fire Department has free smoke detectors available with a ten-year lithium battery. Stop by and get yours today. Limit of three per home please.

No More COVID Test Kits

The Fire Department no longer has fee COVID test kits left and all state programs for free ones have ended. COVID test kits are still available for purchase at local pharmacies.

Outdoor Burning Restrictions

The Fire Department would like to remind resident that all yard and beach debris fires are illegal in Fire District #17. Only beach and recreational campfires consisting of either charcoal or split dry firewood and in an approved enclosure are permitted. It is important to know the regulations as the fire department issues fines and fees for responding to illegal fires and they are very expensive. For more information, visit the Sandy Point website and click on the Fire Department link or call the Fire District office at (360) 384-1480.

Mark Your Calendar:

Board Meeting – Thurs., April 17^{th.}
Water Main Flushing – May 12th-23rd
Board Meeting – Thurs., May 15^{th.}
Yacht Club Opening – Sat., May 17^{th.}
Memorial Day, Office Closed – Mon., May 25th
Board Meeting – Thurs., June 19^{th.}

Sandy Point President's Remarks – Steve Stedman

As your Board of Directors, we remain committed to maintaining the quality, services, and infrastructure that support our neighborhood. However, like many communities, we are facing increased costs in several areas, including utilities, maintenance, and general operations.

After careful consideration and review of our financial needs for the upcoming year, the Board voted in March to implement the following rate adjustments:

- An increase in the monthly water rate of \$5 per household, effective on your June water bill.
- An increase in the annual assessment of \$25 per household, effective April 1st.

These adjustments are necessary to ensure we can continue to provide reliable water services and maintain the high standards of our community amenities, maintenance, and overall neighborhood upkeep.

We understand any increase in costs is significant, and we want to assure you that this decision was not made lightly. The board reviewed current financial projections, rising service costs, and input from past community meetings before finalizing this change.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we work to responsibly manage the resources and services that keep our community strong.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact the Board or the Office.

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4460 Decatur Drive Ferndale, WA 98248 (360) 384-3921 Monday – Friday 8:00am – 3:00pm We accept all major credit cards over the phone or pay online at www.oursandypoint.com/make-a-payment/. Please call during regular office hours and we will be happy to assist you.

Marina

4323 Saltspring Drive
Ferndale, WA 98248
(360) 384-4373
7 Days a Week 8:00am – 12:00pm
Summer Hours Beginning
Memorial Day Weekend

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Golf Course

The Golf Course and driving range are open and ready for play. If frost occurs on the golf course, please wait until 10:30am to begin playing. The golf course hours are from dusk till dawn, there is no night golfing allowed.

2025 Pool Opening

The pool is preparing to open this year over Memorial Day weekend (weather permitting). Pool Hours will be 10:00am – 7:00pm with the first and last hours being for adults only. For the remaining pool rules, go to www.oursandypoint.com/club-house-pool/.

Marina Slips & Dry Stores

The Marina has 20ft and 24ft slips available and Dry Stores spots available. Please call the Marina for more information or to reserve. Summer hours at the Marina will take effect over Memorial Day weekend and will be Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-4:30pm; Friday-Sunday: 6:30am-4:30pm.

Yacht Club Opening Day

Opening Day will be on May 17. Attend the Opening Day by bringing yourself a picnic and cake will be provided for dessert! The Coast Guard Auxiliary Courtesy Vessel Exams can now be scheduled. Contact Jeff McKay at jeffmckay2@netzero.net with location and description of the boat and owner contact info to schedule your Vessel Exam.

Biannual Water Main Flushing

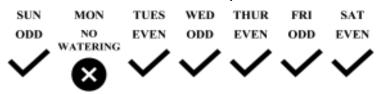
Sandy Point will be completing our biannual water main flushing May 12th-23rd (no flushing on the weekends). Flushing will start in the Heights, followed by Neptune Circle and the Shores. Water main flushing is a biannual preventative maintenance activity to help maintain water quality. As we flush the water main in your area, you may experience a temporary reduction in water pressure. You may also notice some slight discoloration or change in the taste/odor in your water caused by the mineral deposits we are flushing from our mains. These conditions are normal during flushing activities and are only temporary. If you should experience any of these conditions, it is recommended you flush the pipes of your home by simply running cold water through one or more faucets, inside or outside your home until your water runs clear. It is also suggested to refrain from washing your laundry if you are experiencing any of these temporary water issues. For more information on flushing, visit www.oursandypoint.com/water-information.

Department of Ecology Mailing

All of our members have or will receive a mailing from the Department of Ecology. Members who receive their water from Sandy Point Improvement Company do NOT have to fill out the Water Adjudication. On page 3, under General Instructions, it states: "IF YOU ONLY USE WATER AS A CUSTOMER OF A WATER SYSTEM (FOR EXAMPLE, YOU PAY A WATER BILL TO A CITY, TOWN, OR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM), YOU DO NOT NEED TO FILE A COURT CLAIM FOR THAT USE. Sandy Point is a Public Water System and is responsible for addressing this issue.

Mandatory Water Conservation

Sandy Point Improvement Company's Water Conservation will run from June 1st through September 15th. The website will be updated, and signs will be posted towards the middle of May as a reminder. Outdoor water and irrigation are restricted to the hours before 10:00am and after 5:00pm, and for no longer than 30 minutes at a time. Please see the schedule below based on the last number of your address.



Email Alert System

Sandy Point's email alert system is used to notify our customers of a water emergency as soon as feasibly possible to keep everyone informed of outage times. To be included in the email alerts, please call the office or email at office@oursandypoint.com and include your name, customer number, address, and email address.