

# **NEWSLETTER**

August 2025



In an effort to create more revenue to fund future projects without hitting the pocketbooks of the majority our members, we have increased the fees in our water share, hook up costs, membership transfer fee, Cross Connection install fee, and more. Most of theses costs are taken care of in Escrow and therefore will not effect most members. This is effective Sept 1, 2025.

## **Ways to Pay your Bill**

Here are the ways you can pay your water bill:

- ✓ Send a check in the mail
- ☑ Drop off a check at the office
- ✓ Drop off cash at the office during office hours
- Pay online with a card
- Sign up for our hassle free autopay

# **Endpoint Replacements & CCC Testing**

You may have seen our operations team out and about early in July marking meter boxes and either testing the cross connection control (CCC, also known as Double Check Valve Assembly (DCVA)) or replacing the endpoints.

Endpoints are the electronic radio frequency that transmits the meter reads to our equipment. Electronically reading helps make quick work of the reads and allows our operations team to stay in their vehicle instead of having to get out of their vehicle and manually read each meter. We have 1,158 meters currently in our system which is 300 or so more than the next largest water system on the island!

Replacing the endpoints has been a steadily increasing issue as many of the endpoints have reached their lifespan. This last meter read cycle showed that quite a few endpoints had failed. The typical lifespan of the battery for an endpoint is 12 years.

Alongside the endpoint replacements, we've also been doing the annual testing of the CCC system which is a requirement from the Department of Health.

Each CCC that has been installed since 2015 is tested to make sure that if any pressure changes within our system, the water inside homes do not get put back into the main

Only one Double Check Valve Assembly failed during the testing. This was immediately replaced.

About 56% of our members have DCVAs installed. We typically get this paid for and taken care of when a home sells. If you would like to have a CCC installed to your property, please reach out to the office.













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### **Support Local: Bite of Stanwood-Camano**

Looking for a fun date night idea? Need an excuse to get together with your friends? Have you been wanting to experience many of the delicious food options in our beautiful area? Now you conveniently can with Bite of Stanwood-Camano!

Bite of Stanwood Camano is an annual fundraising event benefiting the Community Resource Center of Stanwood Camano. This event brings the best food and drink from our region together for a culinary competition, with the opportunity to wow guests with small bites of their signature dishes. Guests will vote on their favorite bites. In addition to fabulous food and terrific company, this event will offer live music, a no-host bar, raffle, fund-a-need and more.

The participating restaurants and bakeries are Blue Heron, Camano Commons Marketplace, Journey's End, Juniper Bites, Merry Little Baker, Patini's Grill, Primal Tacos, Pure Smoke BBQ, Rockaway Bar + Grill, SAAL Brewing, Sasquatch Subs, Sen, Stanwood Cupcakes, Tapped Camano, The Baked Cafe. Guaranteed to be a delicious evening.



The Community Resource Center has helped many of our members over the years with utility bill assistance. This is a great way to ensure the CRC is able to assist more families for years to come!

Bite of Stanwood-Camano is happening August 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at Arrowhead Ranch (615 Arrowhead Road)

Purchase tickets HERE!



#### **Important Water Dates**

Mark your calendar with the following important dates about your water service:

May 20: CWA board meeting

May 26: Memorial Day, office closed

May 31: May bill payment due

June 17: CWA board meeting

July 4: Independence Day, office closed

July 7: July bills mailed

July 15: CWA board meeting

July 31: July bill payment due

August 19: CWA board meeting

September 1: Labor Day, office closed

September 5: September bills mailed

September 16: CWA board meeting

September 30: September bill payment due

October 21: CWA board meeting November 1: Annual Meeting



