

April 2, 2019

Stronghurst Water Customers,

Senate Bill 0550, regarding lead in drinking water, was passed on January 2017 and reads in part: The owners or operators of community water systems shall provide notice of construction or repair work on water mains, service lines, or water meters.

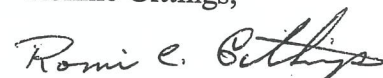
To comply with this law, we must give notice to our customers when any work on mains, valves, or meter pits will be or has been performed. This will happen multiple times throughout the year. These repair and maintenance jobs for flushing the Village hydrants have been done in the past. The only difference is that now we are required to give this notice to the Village customers. To reduce the cost of mailing this notice, we are asking our customers to sign up for our website at www.villageofstronghurst.org and sign up for our alert system. This system is at no cost to the customer and will reduce the time and cost of all future notices.

The water from 10 different locations in Stronghurst have been tested for lead. All tests have been "Below Action Level" and copies of said tests can be found at City Hall. By law we are required to give you notice that work performed on the Water System may stir up sediment that may contain lead. Normally, we work on valves and flush hydrants twice a year. We will start the job of working valves and flushing hydrants in April and October of this year on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, for approximately 6 weeks depending on weather and unforeseen circumstances. Notices shall be given at the time of any repairs needed to those who are directly affected.

The Stronghurst Water Dept. is required to create a comprehensive lead service inventory each year. Service lines in the Village are copper, black plastic, or blue plastic. If you have something other than these listed pipes entering your home, please notify the Village and we will help determine what material was used. Three lead lines have been found in town. One of those is not in use, one is not used by the public and one is located in a residential home. These three lines will be removed as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ronnie Gittings at 309-221-5846. Thank you for your cooperation.

Ronnie Gittings,



Village of Stronghurst
Water Superintendent