ROSTRAVER TOWNSHIP SEWAGE AUTHORITY NEWSLETTER ð 2021

IMPORTANT NEWS
EFFECTIVE - JULY 1, 2021

RTSA Board authorized two new municipal testing procedures to be completed prior to the sale of any property (residential or commercial) in the Township.

1. A smoke/dye test (which examines roof leaders, driveway drains, stairway drains, etc) to review for unwanted flow into the sanitary system.
2. CCTV camera to televise the condition of the private lateral leading to the home or business.

This work will generally be completed by RTSA personnel. Please contact Administration Office to schedule. (7 days notice required) (724) 930-7667.

These tests eliminate unwanted inflow and infiltration and are encouraged by the PA Department of Environmental Protection.

TIME OF SALE

REQUIREMENTS

Effective July 1, 2021

"During storm and rain events, the additional water added to the pipe network can exceed the pipe capacity resulting in overflow conditions. Storm water and ground water entering the system inappropriately is referred to as ***Inflow & Infiltration or I&I.***

Forms are available on the Authority website; www.rostraversewage.com

THE PROBLEM

- Inflow occurs when rainwater is misdirected into the sanitary system instead of storm sewers.
- Additional storm water, may result in system overflows
- Lift manhole lids, allowing sewage to overflow into streets, walkways and yards
- Activate overflow pipes that discharge sewage into storm sewers and streams, a violation of Federal, State and County regulations
- May cause basement flooding from back-up of sanitary sewer lateral causing property damage and presenting a health hazard.
- Studies have shown that 60% to 80% of I&I originates within the private sector (laterals)

COOPERATION

- Additional information is available on our website *www.rostraversewage.com* or you can call our office at (724) 930-7667
- A Sanitary Sewer Certificate along with a No Lien Letter will be required for any **property transferred or sold after July 1, 2021.**
- RTSA Board & Personnel have met with local real estate and closing agents, they are aware of the new requirements.
- The Authority requires seven (7) days notification to schedule an inspection or you may be subject to additional fees.