

BONNER SPRINGS UTILITIES

PROVIDING SAFE DRINKING WATER FOR OUR CITY AND CLEAN WATER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

DEPARTMENT POLICY for CONTRACTORS

It is the policy of Bonner Springs Utilities Department to regard the Permit Holder as the responsible person or company for all work regarding water and sewer installations or work that may take place in and around City Utilities. **The Permit Holder will be charged for any damage to City Utilities caused by contractors or sub-contractors.** It is imperative that the Permit Holder relay information to the contractors that it is their responsibility to contact Kansas One Call for proper locates before any digging, trenching or excavating can occur. Failure to obtain locates which results in damage to the City Utilities will result in the appropriate charges to be levied onto the Permit Holder.

The City of Bonner Springs has Low Pressure Sanitary Sewer (LPSS) systems in several locations which are normally found at depths of four (4) feet or less. Many contractors are not use to needing sewer locates due to the normal depth of gravity sewers, but may encounter a problem with the LPSS pipes if they do not call for proper locates.

Contractors performing repairs to existing water or sewer services **must** coordinate with the Utilities Department prior to the start of work. The Utilities Department **must** perform inspections after the work is completed and prior to backfilling and will not approve the work if it is considered unacceptable. **A Plumbing Permit is required!**

Any work performed after normal working hours requires that the Contractor obtain a plumbing permit and call Utilities Department on the following business day. Utilities staff is available on weekends (7am-3pm) and can make inspections – Call 913-441-1190; ask the operator to have the on-call Utilities staff contact you.

If the repair work requires that the contractor must uncover Utility Mains, the contractor is required to backfill around the main with approved backfill material. Approved backfill material is clean dirt (no rocks larger than 1”) or clean ½” gravel or pea gravel depending on pipe size and material. Any work that involves the disturbance of a main line **requires** that the contractor contact the Utilities Department at 913-422-8117 **prior** to the start of work.

A Right-of-Way Permit is required for all contractors working within the City of Bonner Springs Right-of-Way.

If the repair requires that City streets or sidewalks are cut, the Utilities Department will require that the street and sidewalk is repaired after the utility work being performed is completed. Street repairs **must** meet current City specifications, contractors **must** use CLSM (flowable fill) after proper backfill material has been placed to level of at least 12” above the main is installed on top of the bedding material. The Utilities Department **must** inspect the backfilling process and will insure that CLSM is used. Contractors must “plate” the street cut and make final repairs within 3 days.

The CLSM must be low strength, removable type with a test rating of 50 -150lbs.

If the Permit Holder has any questions regarding these policies please call 913-422-8117. If no one is available at the Utilities Office, please call 913-441-1990 or 913-667-1710.