ERINN ESTATES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION

Conserving water is important because it keeps our **water** pure and clean while protecting the environment. **Conserving water** means using our **water** supply wisely and responsibly.

Even though the cost of water is included in our association dues, it now represents \$18,000.00 in annual budget expenditure. The water cost has been escalating the last few years, especially in 2020 with everyone home due to COVID-19.

We are submitting for your consideration a number of suggestions that each of us can and should consider, where practicable, to do our share to keep water cost from continuing to escalate.

PLEASE NOTE

Purchase and remodel with water-efficient faucets, laundry washers, toilets and dishwashers. If you have the means to purchase these yourself or are eligible for a program that will help you, purchasing water- and energy-efficient appliances can save us not only on our water bill, but also on your electricity bill.

Have a home water and energy audit. Professionals can catch places where water is being wasted that the average consumer might miss. DTE offers free energy audits and efficiency improvement suggestions!

Ways to Save Water at Home

- Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth.
- Turn off the water while shaving.
- Only run the washing machine and dishwasher when you have a full load.
- Use a low flow shower head and faucet aerators.
- Take a short Shower of 5 Minutes or Less.
- Install a dual flush or low flow toilet or put a conversion kit on your existing toilet.
- Remodel with 1 gallon per flush toilets. Many on the market which are very good, affordable and available at Home Depot... If you can't then at the very least Fill a bottle with water and sand and put it in the toilet tank. This displaces the water and makes the toilet use less water with each flush.
- Perform routine preventative appliance maintenance.
- Don't Keep the Tap Running While Washing Clothes/Utensils ...
- Close Taps Properly and Fix Leaking Taps, Pipes & Toilets.
- Be aware and spread awareness.
- Water your personal (not watered by the sprinklers) exterior plants in the evening to minimize evaporation.
- Report building water problems and challenges ASAP.

We ask that each of you give serious consideration to each of these recommendations.

Thank you,

Erinn Estates Board of Directors.