

# TODD CREEK VILLAGE

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT



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## Looking Forward: De-winterizing Your Sprinkler System

Spring will be here before we know it and very soon it will be time to de-winterize your irrigation system and get it up and running again for the warmer weather. There are a few things to keep in mind before that time comes though, and we wanted to get that info on your radar.

First and foremost, it's important to remember that we have been flushing the system during the off months to prevent naturally occurring build-up. You'll want to contact our office to verify the maintenance zone flushing schedule prior to filling any stocked ponds or water features. When you are ready to get your system up and running, here are the recommended steps:

1. Slowly open the main water valve to the system, allowing the pipes to gradually fill with water. Note, if the valves are opened too quickly it creates a high surge pressure and uncontrolled water flow which can cause damage, including bursting pipes, blowing off sprinkler heads, and more. Check your meter to ensure there are no leaks.
2. Manually activate each zone and check the corresponding station. This allows you to more easily isolate and identify any problem areas that may require cleaning or repairs.
3. Once you've fully opened all of the stations, do a complete walk-through. Pay attention to any low pressure area(s) along the system. This could indicate a line break or a missing sprinkler. You'll also want to check sprinkler heads for proper rotation and make any adjustments to ensure adequate coverage. It's also recommended to check and clean any filters or heads on poorly performing sprinklers. If the poor performance persists, you may need to replace the head.
4. Check the controller programming and adjust as necessary. This is probably a great time to check the back-up battery, and replace if needed.
5. If your system has a weather sensor, be sure to uncover and clean it to help keep your system operating efficiently.

As a reminder, if you have not already done so, we encourage you to visit [www.ToddCreekVillage.org](http://www.ToddCreekVillage.org) to get signed up for our notification system. If you haven't visited the site in a while, you will be prompted to register. It's quick and easy, and you are able to select which notifications you would like, and how you would like to receive them. Our new notifications system offers the choice of email, text message, and automated call. Additionally, if you have a question or idea for us, we would love to hear from you via the contact form.

For information about your water quality and much more, be sure to check the FAQ section of our website.

***Transparency Notice: Board Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 2:00 pm via Zoom. The public is always welcome.***



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