History of Seven Springs Long Pine, Nebraska

In 1881, Peter Donoher and family settled in Pine canyon near what is now "Seven Springs. At one time the water coming out of seven springs tested 99.99 percent pure, the purest in the world. Donoher, who lived near the Springs, said that Long Pine residents considered renaming the town "Seven Springs." In 1883, early American settlers and pioneers began the settlement of Long Pine, NE. Since the earliest days of the city, the "Seven Springs" has supplied Long Pine with water from the Ogallala Aquifer. A windmill located about where the post office now stands, in 1910, furnished water for everyone in Long Pine at the time. As women often chit-chat with each other, the place was named "Gossiping Mill." Later water was hauled in a wagon door to door and in 1913 a standpipe located south of Long Pine was built providing water for the city. Wooden pipes were first used to convey the Seven Springs pure spring water from the source to the city until the spring house was built in 1926. A pump house located at the seven springs was built in 1933 supplying the water after that time. It was still being used in 2018, and has been updated with new pump- house with 440 Volt electric motors.

Since this time, the residents of Long Pine have enjoyed some of the purest water known. In 1997, Seven Springs, Inc. started bottling this pure 100% natural spring water for the bottled water drinking market. The unspoiled Sandhills provide natural filtration for the water that emerges as the Seven Springs and flows into Long Pine Creek. As the longest self-sustaining trout stream in Nebraska, Long Pine Creek's watershed is further protected by legislation. The taste of the water reflects its pristine source. While many other bottlers must use reverse osmosis or distillation that removes flavor as well as impurities, Long Pine's spring water is bottled with all of the natural minerals that give the water it's refreshing quality. However, to stay compliant with the FDA and EPA, and for the safety of drinking water, ozonation is performed on all water. Seven Springs is currently delivering 100% Natural Spring Water in 3 or 5 gallon bottles to Nebraska and Southern South Dakota.

