

## **Minutes of BOPA Meeting**

Village of Laura

7:00 PM

March 17, 2016

**Roll Call:** Attendees: President- John Thompson, Steve Vore, Mark May, Greta Slagle-Clerk, Council –Harry McKenna. Excused - Wes Beeson-Utilities Superintendent.

**Previous Minutes.** Minutes of the February 2, 2016 meeting were read. Mr. Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes, there was no one present to second the motion, this is Mr. Mays first meeting and Mr. Vore has been gone.

**Citizens Comments.** 1. None.

### **Water Report.**

1. Lead/Copper. Mr. Hinkle and Mr. May met with Monte Edwards and Jerry Van Auker of Analytical Associates at the water plant last Saturday. This business can provide help in solving the lead/copper problem, they provide a service that runs utility plants, and can offer help in updating our plants in the future. They have requested chlorine log records, testing results for the water and other items that will help them evaluate the water. They will be able to give us more information about running the plants and our systems next meeting, but need some of the data to communicate with the EPA by the deadline at the end of the month.

Mr. Edwards made a suggestion about replacing the septic tanks that are leaking with a type of tank he uses and recommends. This tank is very different from the concrete tanks we are using to replace the tanks that have leaks. Mr. May made a motion to hire Analytical Associates to look into our lead and copper problem and proceed with their recommendations at this time. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May – Yes, Mr. Vore – Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes, the motion passed.

2. 2014 CCR Report. The reports have been distributed.

3. House Fire/ St. Rt. 571. There was a fire that destroyed the Greenwald residence at 10921 St. Rt. 571. Mr. Thompson stated that we needed to let them know of their responsibility to pay the sewer bill, but we could maybe be a little lenient if they missed a payment or so as they get back on their feet.

4. Fire Hydrants. Fire Chief Daniel Baker was at Council meeting and noted that the fire hydrant at the park was frozen when they went to fight the fire on St. Rt. 571. They were not able to use the hydrant. In this case, it didn't matter that the fire department had to move the hoses to another hydrant, but that may not be the case next time. The fire department has identified 4 hydrants that need to be replaced or worked on –the hydrant at the park, one at 13 Laura Circle that opens in the opposite direction of all the other hydrants, and hydrants at 207 Chestnut St. and 304 Ludlow St. Mr. Hinkle noted we can repair some of these, we have two hydrants we can use to replace hydrants if we need to.

5. Licensed Operator. Mr. Thompson made a motion to hire Eldon Hinkle as our Licensed Operator at the water plant. Mr. Hinkle has been serving in this position, but because he was on the BOPA, he did not draw a salary. Mr. Thompson noted we would like to make it retroactive to February 1, 2016. Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May – Yes, Mr. Vore – Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes, the motion passed.

6. Shut offs. Ms. Slagle asked if we could locate the shut off at 12 Second St. The water can be shut off at this residence.

Mr. May made a motion to start taking a picture of where the shut off valves are at each residence we go to. We need to know where each shut off valve is and taking a picture would be a good reference for the future. Mr. Vore seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May – Yes, Mr. Vore – Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes, the motion passed.

**Sewer Report:** 1. Things are running well.

**Old Business:** 1. None

**New Business:** 1. Discolored Water. Vickie Bowman sent a note asking if the chlorine contact tank has been cleaned lately. She noted the water being discolored and debris in her water.

**Shut offs.** 1. Shut off notices: Shut off notices are to be sent Gehron, Rex, Parlett, Baker, Bates.

**Bills:** Mr. Thompson motioned to pay the bills, Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. May – Yes, Mr. Vore – Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes, the motion passed.

DP&L	\$1263.00	PERS	\$607.79
Jeremy Bowser	606.29	Frontier	110.40
Gretchen Slagle	249.75	Wes Beeson	816.23
Moulton Gas	151.12	USA Bluebook	420.69
Miami Products	87.00	Laura Post Office	97.50
Jonathan Thompson	108.65	Steve Vore	36.72
Mark May	36.44	Eldon Hinkle	275.98

Mr. Thompson motioned to close the meeting. Mr. Vore seconded the motion. All yeas the motion passed.

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Jonathan Thompson, President

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Gretchen Slagle, Clerk