

Village of Laura

Minutes of BOPA Meeting

7:00 PM

February 7, 2017

Roll Call: Attendees: President- Jonathon Thompson, Mark May, Greta Slagle-Clerk, Council –Alice Beck. Eldon Hinkle-Water Consultant, Wes Beeson- Utilities Superintendent. Excused- Steve Vore. Others Present-Brice Schmitmeyer-Access Engineering, Monte Edwards-Analytical Associates, Michael Kidston-Artesian of Pioneer. Ken James, Ed Guess.

Lead/Copper Control: Mr. Schmitmeyer, Mr. Edwards, and Mr. Kidston were present to discuss the corrosion control system installation process and to answer questions about the plans that have been approved by the EPA. The Board reviewed the new quote and decided we would take on the responsibility of redoing the wall, door and other things we could do, to reduce those costs in the quote. Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve \$15, 900 for Artesian of Pioneer to install the phosphate system at the water plant. This should take care of our lead/copper problem by putting phosphates into the water system. The phosphates will coat the inside of the water lines to prevent lead/copper from being eroded from the pipes. Mr. Kidston will need a PO to get this started.

Mr. Schmitmeyer noted he’d be sending a bill for the engineering services, around \$3120.00.

Mr. Edwards also wanted to provide information about providing licensed operators for the water and sewer plants. He provided information about costs to run both plants. Mr. Thompson noted we would like to have time to review and discuss the information. We’ll wait until Mr. Vore returns in March to discuss this.

Mr. Hinkle noted receiving a letter from the EPA about lead piping throughout the village. We’ll have to complete a form and return to them. Mr. Schmitmeyer offered assistance in getting that information together. We’ll try it first, we appreciate Mr. Schmitmeyer’s offer.

Previous Minutes. Minutes of the January 3, 2017 minutes were read. Mr. Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes, Mr. May seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Thompson-Yes, Mr. May-Yes, The motion passed.

Citizens Comments. 1. Mr. James and Mr. Guess both were interested in what was going on with the strong chlorine smell in the town water recently. The EPA was called by a concerned resident. The EPA came to town and took achlorine reading that was very high. Mr. Hinkle explained we had a problem with something knocking out a controller, the chlorine pump continued to pump chlorine into the water lines when it wasn’t supposed to. Mr. Hinkle noted the dialer was not working, so we didn’t know there was a problem until there was a strong smell in the water. The Board discussed. We’ll look at the dialer and see if we can fix that and see if we can get by until we get Artesian to put in the new system. Mr. Thompson asked if we recorded the chlorine values when we checked them during and after this event. Mr. Hinkle noted he didn’t, they were high, but he didn’t record any data. Mr. Thompson noted we need to record this information, good, bad, its data we should have.

Water Report. 1. Lead/Copper Corrosion Control. See above.
2. Compressor electric line. No. Report.
3. Roof Leak. The roof is leaking. We’ll let Erinn Guess know, it may have to warm up to fix it.

Sewer Report: 1. Aerator Steps- No report.
2. Pressure Washer. We have a quote for around \$379 for a decent pressure washer and a deck for around \$1000 for the sewer plant. Mr. Hinkle noted maybe it would be better to rent a pressure washer first to make sure we get one powerful enough to clean the aerator walls. The Board agreed.

Old Business: 1. None.

New Business: 1. None

Shut offs. 1. Shut offs are to be sent to Scott, Pemberton, Haupt, Helton, Moore, Strozier.

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

DP&L	\$1359.88	PERS	\$614.99
Jeremy Bowser	606.29	Frontier	110.49
Gretchen Slagle	249.75	Wes Beeson	809.05
Eldon Hinkle	275.98	Miami Products	97.50
Pace Analytical	383.60	Wertz	11.08
Orme Hardware	14.88	Moulton Gas	307.38

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

Jonathan Thompson, President

Gretchen Slagle, Clerk