

Village of Laura

Minutes of BOPA Meeting

7:00 PM

July 16, 2019

Roll Call: Attendees: President-Jonathan Thompson, Steve Vore, Greta Slagle-Fiscal Officer, Council - Mark May, Wes Beeson -Utilities Superintendent, Tony Hunt-Water Consultant. Excused – Brad Ingle.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the June 4, 2019 meeting were read. Mr. Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Vore seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Vore –Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes. The motion passed.

Special Meeting. Minutes of the June 10, 2019 meeting were read. Mr. Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Vore seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Vore –Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes. The motion passed.

Water Report: 1. Phosphates. The EPA has asked us to meet with them again about the lead/copper in the water. Mr. Hunt noted that we've been compliant with EPA standards, 9 of 10 houses passed the lead/copper tests. We were at 90 percent compliance for the second half of 2018 and at 90 percent for the first half of 2019. The EPA has turned down our report from Bryce Schmitmeyer and Monte Edwards. We'll be meeting with EPA reps from Columbus and Dayton this time. Mr. Hunt wants to invite Mr. Schmitmeyer to go to the meeting. Mr. Thompson has concerns because the EPA has asked if we're bringing our solicitor. Do we show up without our solicitor? The Board discussed various items: What else can we do to put ourselves in the best position possible, are EPA statues laws, do we have any recourse since we're compliant by EPA standards. Mr. Hunt noted we have made most of the changes that have been suggested, we are within EPA compliance. We've upped the dosage of orthophosphate we use. The EPA will want us to use a different phosphate. Mr. Hunt suggested we just go to the meeting and see what they have to say, the Board agreed. Mr. Hunt will call the EPA and set a date.

2. Water Tower Inspection. Mrs. Laux has let us know Suez will be here July 24 at 8:30am to inspect the water tower. Mrs. Laux also has an estimate of \$865,000 for grants for a new water tower if we need one. Mr. Thompson noted that works out to around \$11.00 per month per customer for 30 years.

3. Water Main Leak/401 Ludlow Street. There is a main line leak in the street at this address. Wes has a quote from Ritter Plumbing for \$3800 to repair the leak. Mr. Thompson made a motion to have Ritter repair the leak, Mr. Vore seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Vore –Yes, Mr. Thompson – Yes. The motion passed.

4. Shut-off Valve/2484 Street St. Rt. 721. Wes and Tony will try to find the shut off valve.

5. Steel Plate/Heeter Plumbing/St. Rt. 571. Mr. May noted he thought the steel plate was still in place on St. Rt. 571 from when Heeter Plumbing repaired the water line there. We will have to check on this.

6. Pool Fees/Boggs. We have received a note along with the water bill from Jim Boggs of 12 Second Street, he noted he doesn't use any water to fill his in ground pool and didn't think he should have to pay the pool fee. Mr. Thompson noted he should lobby Council with his request.

Sewer Report: 1. Lift Station/403 S. Main Street. We had a call from Plantz's about noises inside the house and the toilet and drains running slow. Donnie Smith was going to check on it for us. Wes couldn't get anyone to answer the door, and the back gate was locked. We haven't heard from them since the initial call, so Donnie fixed it or it fixed itself. We need to be able to have access to the lift station and septic tank.

Old Business: 1. Grease Trap/Laura Country Diner. Mr. Vore spoke with Delena about providing the name of the contractor and receipt from the contractor that pumps the grease. Mr. May noted Mr. Johnston said we could sell the restaurant one of the septic tanks, he would like to do some research on it thought. We need to find out if the property owner of the restaurant would be interested in buying the tank to use as a grease trap.

New Business: 1. Dollar General. The mayor has noted the Dollar General wants to know about tap-in fees. We don't know if they will have public restrooms.

Shut offs. 1. No Shut offs were noted.

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

DP&L	\$1057.96	PERS	\$833.39
Jeremy Bowser	673.97	Frontier	110.80
Gretchen Slagle	270.70	Wes Beeson	890.38
Tony Hunt	662.31	Pace Analytical	447.45
Miami Products	104.70	Miami Products	24.25
Eric Stein	50.00	Bob’s Excavating	8450.00
Analytical Associates	574.65	Steve Vore	36.72
Jonathan Thompson	36.22	Brad Ingle	36.22
Wells Electric	200.00	OWDA	4634.94
Wes Beeson	130.88		

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

Jonathan Thompson, President

Gretchen Slagle, Clerk