

Village of Laura

Minutes of BOPA Meeting

7:00 PM

January 16, 2020

**Roll Call:** Attendees: President-Jonathan Thompson, Bradley Ingle, Greta Slagle-Fiscal Officer, Council - Mark May, Wes Beeson -Utilities Superintendent, Tony Hunt-Water Consultant.

Mr. Thompson and Mr. Ingle were sworn into office at the regular Council meeting held January 13. These terms expire December 31, 2024

**Previous Minutes.** Minutes of the December 3, 2019 meeting were read. Mr. Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes with the following correction: add Mr. Vore and a Yes vote to all the roll call votes. Mr. Ingle seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Thompson – Yes, Mr. Ingle – Yes. The motion passed.

Mr. Ingle made a motion to appoint Mr. Thompson as president of the BOPA. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Thompson – Yes, Mr. Ingle – Yes. The motion passed.

**Citizens Comments.** None

**Water Report:** 1. EPA/Reporting Violation. Mr. Hunt stated he made a mistake in how he reported some information on the CCR Report. The information on the report was correct; he just didn’t report some of it in the correct way. There are two types of EPA errors-operational and reporting.  
2. EPA/Phosphates. The SmartPhos 20 has been in our system 6 days. We have also completed the last lead/copper testing for 2019. Mr. Hunt noted we passed the latest round of testing and that means we have met EPA standards for corrosion control both halves of 2019 testing. We did this without using the new phosphate the EPA had us start using. We have another year of lead/copper testing twice a year, and then if we are compliant we can go to a three-year lead/copper testing schedule. We are scheduled for our regular three-year sanitary audit this summer.  
3. Water Tower. We can plan a workshop to discuss rate increases. We can use One Call to invite residents to a meeting to hear their input about water rates.

**Sewer Report:** 1. PEP Grant. Wes purchased an eyewash and some hi-visibility rain gear.  
2. Ladder. Wes will get a ladder. Mr. Thompson noted he would like a fiberglass ladder that meets non-conductive code.  
3. Lab Door. The lab door isn’t sticking anymore  
4. Appropriations. We need to make a list of maintenance/other needs for appropriations. Mr. Thompson would like to inspect the sewer plant roof this year. He would also like the Board to consider getting a backup generator for the water plant or run a line from the generator at the sewer plant to the water plant. The last quote we had for a pigtail at the water plant was \$17,500. We were fortunate that Tony was able to secure a generator when the tornado came through Memorial Day, but Mr. Thompson would like to make sure we are ready, with a means of providing back up power in an emergency. This should be a priority for us. The Board discussed pros and cons of running a line from the sewer plant, buying or leasing a generator. We can check with Mrs. Laux from Mote & Associates to see if there might be grant money available for this.

**Old Business:** 1. No Report

**New Business:** 1. None

**Shut offs.** 1. No shut offs to report

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

DP&L	\$1121.36	PERS	\$833.39
Jeremy Bowser	673.97	Frontier	114.98
Gretchen Slagle	270.70	Wes Beeson	890.38
Tony Hunt	662.31	Pace Analytical	619.44
Miami Products	104.70	Pace Analytical	521.69
USA Bluebook	580.33	Orme Hardware	41.61
Saunders Towing	417.44	Saunders Towing	1991.08
Post Office	292.50		

Mr. Thompson motioned close the meeting, Mr. Ingle seconded the motion. All Yeas, the motion passed.

