

**LA RUE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**  
**May 2018 minutes**

The La Rue Board of Public Affairs met in regular session May 16, 2018. Present were board members Tom Tucker, Doug Shawver, and Wendy Crabtree. Also present was Clerk Mary Price and Tyler Howell. Guest: None

The regular meeting minutes were read and approved with a motion by Tom Tucker and second by Wendy Crabtree.

**The financial report** - was given and bills presented for payment. Wendy Crabtree moved to pay the bills and seconded by Tom Tucker, motion passed.

**Complaints** – No complaints.

**Delinquent Bills**- No information available at the meeting.

**Old Business**-

The new handheld meter reading device has been purchased. Clerk Mary Price would like to upgrade the current billing software and install the software so the meter readings can be electronically uploaded. The new software upgrade will cost around \$4,500. The new software would allow for other billing types and Clerk Mary Price would like to implement post card billing and the board was okay with the switch. The Board approved the upgrade to the billing software and switching to post card billing.

Both high service pumps have been installed at the plant.

The 14 days of chlorine calibration the EPA wanted has been completed and they are satisfied.

The corner of Front and Vine St where the water line was repaired will be cleaned up by Holcomb before the LCA event in June.

**New Business** –

VFDS (variable frequency drives) are now installed and connected to the high service pumps. The VFDS will provide the necessary cushion the tower needs and will kick on at 48 psi and shut off at 53 psi.

Tyler Howell is going to be out of town July 4, 5, & 6<sup>th</sup>. Tom Tucker is going to contact Bill Newsome about backup coverage if we need someone when Tyler is out of town in case of an emergency. The chemistry Rep is planning to come in June sometime to test anyone that wants to become certified with the chemical testing. All the board members are planning on getting certified for the chemicals.

The town is looking for a new engineer so Tom Tucker and Milton Lightfoot met with a firm called GPD Group. The meeting went great and the firm is going to look into what options the Board has with grants for water line replacement and tower repairs.

Another pipe blew at the plant so the water was hard for a couple days until it could be fixed and to get the treated water through the system.

Tyler Howell reported a new transfer pump needs to be purchased because the last several ones that were purchased have just been eaten up by the chlorine. The new pump needs to be higher quality so it will last longer in the chlorine.

Quality Paving is going to come out to quote the road repairs for Market street at Swain, Section, and Chestnut.

The next regular meeting will be June 11, 2018 in the Village Council Room.

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Chairman

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Clerk