

LA RUE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

September 2019 minutes

The La Rue Board of Public Affairs met in regular session September 16, 2019. Present were board members Wendy Crabtree and Doug Shawver. Also present was Mayor Milton Lightfoot, Clerk Mary Price, and Tyler Howell. Visitors: Diane Evans and Scott Jaffee

The financial report – Doug Shawver made a motion to approve the bills with a second by Wendy Crabtree, motion passed.

Old Business-

Pickens Underground is still scheduled to come in September to replace the Kiwanis meter.

Tyler Howell presented quotes for the new chlorine pump at \$2,640 and anti-scalant pump at \$2,350 that is needed at the plant. The chlorine pump is a higher priority at this point and needs to be replaced. The board approved for the purchase of the chlorine pump at a cost of \$2,640. The board will use the last amount of the OWDA loan that was received which would be \$1,500 towards the chlorine pump.

New meters have been ordered but they have not arrived.

EPA has been contacted to schedule a time for Steve Kendall's chemical certification.

Mark Umphrey is wanting to install a sewer tap on Front Street and received a quote for \$25,000 to perform the work. Tyler Howell reported he has not heard anything further regarding the matter.

Ridgway Hatchery received the letter requesting proof of backflow device inspection and at this point they have not responded. Tyler Howell reported he is going to talk with Dean Ridgway and find out what is going on and see if they even have a back flow device. EPA is requiring they have a back flow and want them turned off if they are not willing to comply.

New Business –

Tyler Howell reported he is still working on calibrating the meters. The older 100 gallon meters throughout town are not capable of being calibrated to read to 1,000 so the only option to make everything uniform across the board is to calibrate all to read 100 gallons. The Board discussed that reading meters at 100 gallons would actually be more accurate for customers.

Scott was present from GPD Engineering to report on the water tower project status. The design loan award date is in October and the 500,000 grant design plan documents deadline is in October as well. GPD will need to begin the design process of the tower prior to the Village receiving the design loan. A motion was made by Doug Shawver to allow GPD Engineering to begin the design process with a second by Wendy Crabtree. Scott reported they would hold all the invoices for the design until the design loan is granted and can cover the expense. The surveyors will be in the week of the 16th to begin the process of everything for the design. Tyler Howell reported that he would like 56 psi at 100,000 gallon capacity with a future possible pressure of 60 +psi.

Scott reported on the Vine Street grant project and that Evie from Regional Planning would like the RFP by September 27th to allow GPD Engineering approval to engineer the project. Discussion was held regarding the next round of grant money which is every two years what the board would like to apply for. The majority of valves on the north side of town work but around the Chestnut Street area needs new valves.

Lead and Copper sampling is being completed and 9 of the 10 samples have been collected.

The next regular meeting will be October 14, 2019 in the Village Council Room.

Chairman

Clerk