

LA RUE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

April 2017 minutes

The La Rue Board of Public Affairs met in regular session April 17, 2017. Present were board members Tom Tucker and Wendy Crabtree. Also present was Mayor Milton Lightfoot, Clerk Mary Price, and Maintenance Supervisor Mark Heller and Tyler Howell. Guest: Richard Cobb & Gary Butler

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

Old Business-

The bad RO membranes were replaced in March and the Village is in complication with all EPA regulations now.

New Business –

Tyler Howell reported the plant is pumping on averaging 30,000 per day. The electric cost has decreased from February to March after the break on Chestnut St was repaired because the high service pump is running less.

Richard Cobb & Gary Butler were presented and concerned about their water & sewer bills. Richard Cobb was concerned because his water & sewer bill is always 4,000 gallons and doesn't fluctuate. The board explained that his meter is actually being read every month and that is what it is reading. Mr. Butler stated that raising the bills is not the route to go and it is getting way too high. The board explained that a raise is necessary to keep up with the bills.

Certified lab is up and running at the plant. Chemical costs will be a little higher than before because the new style of testing requires more chemicals. Tyler Howell and Mark Heller both became certified for the lab.

Tyler Howell reported all hydrants were flushed and tested in April. The information was provided to the fire department.

Sprayer was purchased and mounted on the mower so now the weeds/cat tails can be sprayed around the lagoons.

Tyler Howell brought up about selling bulk water and there is a need in the area. The EPA is going to be contacted to see what the steps would need to be to sell bulk water.

All the pit meters that were in stock at the plant have been installed.

The water line replacement on High Street is moving along and the engineering contract will be awarded soon. The line replacement should be completed this year.

Wigen provided the wrong probe at the water plant and it is reading a decimal off.

Items that need to be addressed at the lagoons after the safety inspection: fill ground hog hole, remove cat tails, and weeds.

The next regular meeting will be May 15, 2017 in the Village Council Room.

Chairman

Clerk