

LA RUE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

April 2019 minutes

The La Rue Board of Public Affairs met in regular session April 15, 2019. Present were board members Wendy Crabtree, Justin Wall, and Doug Shawver. Also present was Clerk Mary Price, Mayor Lightfoot, and Tyler Howell. Visitors: John Boyd and Scott Jaffee.

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

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

Complaints –

Old Business-

510 E Market Street update on the complaint from last month- Tyler Howell called the renter several times and stopped by the house and the renter has not returned any calls.

Hydrant in front of the Methodist Church will not break loose so it will need to be dug up and replaced with a new hydrant.

Membranes have arrived and Tyler Howell reported he has removed all the old ones. The Board has scheduled to meet on Saturday April 20th @8am to install the new membranes.

Backflow device for the hydrant has arrived and the Board can now sell bulk water legally. A suggested rate from another community for pool fill would be \$40 rental fee of the backflow device and then \$.01-.02 per gallon of water calculated by the size of the pool being filled or tanker. The Board decided to go with the \$40 rental fee and \$.01 per gallons of water. If residential customers use the hydrant to fill, the line cannot cross the road unless the board approves it like a dead end road and the house needs to be within a reasonable distance.

Scott Jaffee from GPD Engineering reported the WSRLA loan application through Ohio EPA has been completed and just needs signed so it can be submitted. The application deadline is pass but with the situation, being an emergency they are willing to still take the application. Mayor Lightfoot and Wendy Crabtree will sign the loan application and further documentation. The solicitor has drafted an Ordinance that the project will not need to go out for bid since it is classified as an emergency. Council will be presented with the Ordinance declaring the situation an emergency at the next regular Council meeting. Kurtis Strickland from RCAP, Scott Jaffee, and The Board of Public Affairs are all going to come to the May 6th Council meeting to discuss the tower project and status of everything.

Pittsburg Tank was unable to weld the inside of the tank because the rivets were falling out so they ended up using an epoxy product to seal the holes. To repair the tower it would require a new base and then everything on the tower would need to be upgraded because it would no longer be grandfathered in. The Board is now looking at replacing the entire water tower since the condition of the existing tower is so bad.

Mayor Lightfoot brought up that Regional Planning needs engineering for the CDBG funding that will be coming this summer for the water line and valve replacement on Vine Street from High to Chestnut. Scott Jaffee stated he would be in contact with Evelyn Cummings at Regional Planning to see what they need.

Mayor Lightfoot presented that Council passed an ordinance to forgive the delinquent water & sewer at the Fasslers property on School Street. The Board all agreed so all water and sewer assessments will be removed once Mark Umphrey can provide legal documents of the purchase of the property.

New Business –

Low pressure on April 15th at the plant due to an error on the PLC that shut off the pumps and Wigen said it was a fault code they will be looking into to the error. Tyler Howell stated an issue like that has occurred previously with shutting off the pumps and could possibly be related to some electrical issues.

Water at the park has all been turned on.

Update needs to be made to the Rules and Regulations to cover when a curb stop needs repaired on a customer's side. The following will be added to #7 with all board members approving the update:

- If a repair is needed with close proximity to the curb stop and found to be on the customers side repairs may be made by the village at no labor cost and materials charged to the next billing cycle at retail cost.

The board reviewed and completed the facility planning documentation with Scott Jaffee that will need to be submitted with the WSRLA application.

Tyler Howell reported that he purchased a hoist off Gov Deals that brand new is \$1600 and he was able to get it for \$132. The new hoist can be used with a tripod when replacing the Kiwanis meter and everything is now ready to do that meter replacement.

The next regular meeting will be May 20, 2018 in the Village Council Room.

Chairman

Clerk