

Feb 5 board meeting. members present chad, Kipp, Leroy and manager Billy

## Topics

**Late payments and disconnects.** several calls have been made to past due or delinquent accounts over 60-90 days. Disconnect notices will be sent out with next bill and meters will be turned off and locked. After 120 days meters will be pulled, and a fee will be charged to reconnect.

**Water usage.** The amount of usage will be lowered from 10,000 gallons to 2000 gallons per meter. South Sabine bills beechwood water 4.27 per 1000 gallons and the company was paying the difference between 200 and 10000. **This is not a rate hike or adjustment**, its lowering the amount of usage before being charged for water being used.

**Bill break down.** Some had questions on the new look on the water bill.. 37.00 for water service members, 20.00 is the amount going to the loan for the water treatment plant which was set before the new board took over and 2.00 for vfd..

**Tecq violations.** beechwood is down to 4 at this time from 28 when the new manager took over. These 4 are being addressed also and soon cleared. As normal. were still getting all the files up to date for all government bodies that had been just sitting for several years.

**Water meters.** there was a bid sent out to replace old meters to new auto read meters. One company has sent an estimate for everything to switch over. The floor made a proposal to ask the state for a possible grant to offset cost to upgrade. We are looking into that also.

**Ballots.** there will be ballots sent out looking for 3 positions. If interested or know a member, please fill it out completely and mail it back in or drop it off to the locked ballot back inside.

**Issues and concerns.** please do not put these items in with your bill that is sent to billing. The company does not handle this item. Please feel free to drop off a letter at the office, email or contact a board member and or the manager. All our contact is online and posted at the office. No item or issues will go unseen or communicated between the board.

There was concern about contract workers doing the jobs of beechwood water employees. A contract company was doing work and offered to assist our guys working on a water line issue. the contract company did not charge us for assisting.

**Sewer plant.** a bid was approved for the upgrade and repair of the existing one. there has been several in person meetings and work has begun. There were 2 broken telephone poles that belongs to deep east tx and they will be replacing them