



Problems with City of Robert Lee didn't start yesterday

by Melinda McCutchen, all water going to Robert Lee over the agreed upon 200,000 gallons per day, averaged monthly. This could be a drastic financial hit for Robert Lee. Looking at past usage, Robert Lee often uses more than their 200,000 gallons per day during the warmer months. One month, they were over by nine million gallons. Of course, this is not all Robert Lee usage since Robert Lee sells water to Coke County Water Supply Corporation. This organization is struggling financially after the embezzlement by a past clerk. Following the investigation by the Coke County Sheriff's Office, the clerk, was indicted for this crime and the case is making its way through the justice system.

Both the City of Robert Lee and Coke County Water Supply Corporation are dealing with old and crumbling infrastructure.

The water shortage is the problem that keeps on giving. The current solution is the pipeline from Bronte pumping treated water to Robert Lee. Some of this water comes from Robert Lee's allotment at Oak Creek Reservoir. The other water comes from wells the City of Bronte has drilled over the years. The relationship between the two towns has had friction in the last nine months. Bronte will begin May 1, 2019, charging a 50% overage fee for

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

- Friday, March 8
- High School Track - Kenneth Rasco Memorial Relays, Robert Lee
 - Bronte, Robert Lee, Blackwell
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 - High School Tennis - Bronte at Irion County Varsity Tournament, Mertzon
- Monday, March 11
- Spring Break - Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD
- Tuesday, March 12
- Commissioners Court Meeting, 9 am, County Courthouse, Robert Lee
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 - Spring Break - Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD
- Wednesday, March 13
- Spring Break - Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD
- Thursday, March 14
- Spring Break - Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD
- Friday, March 15
- Spring Break - Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

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Concerning City of Robert Lee Debit Card Purchases

* This table does not include purchases of bottled water or brewable tea or coffee. It also doesn't include purchases of paper supplies (cups, toilet paper, paper towels) or office supplies such as paper, pens, ink for city owned printers, envelopes and printing, binders, etc. *RG= Rose Gold

	Vendor	Purchase	Account	Amount
May				
13	Amazon	Eraseable Notebook	General	\$ 36.81
13	Amazon	Phone Charger	General	\$ 15.99
15	Walmart	Coke	General	\$ 1.93
15	Walmart	7 Letter Openers	General	\$ 7.35
15	Amazon	Phone Charger,		
	(Samsung)	Screen Protector	General	\$ 54.99
15	Amazon	128g Sandisk	General	\$ 40.45
16	Office Depot	Coke	General	\$ 2.15
16	Office Depot	Rolling Cart	General	\$ 37.88
22	Amazon	Coffee Maker	General	\$ 41.17
22	Amazon	Rolodex	General	\$ 19.95
22	Amazon	Organizers	General	\$ 112.12
22	Amazon	Desk Accessories	General	\$ 12.92
23	Food King	Drinks, etc.	General	\$ 24.79
23	Amazon	Photo Clips	General	\$ 19.41
23	Amazon	Fasteners	General	\$ 10.81
23	Amazon	Stapler	General	\$ 18.86
23	Amazon	Sorter	General	\$ 25.90
23	Amazon	Electric Stapler	General	\$ 34.40
25	Walmart	Decor	General	\$ 129.66
27	Super H	Aleve	General	\$ 6.19
27	Amazon	Spray Paint	General	\$ 30.89
27	Super H	Photo Hangers	General	\$ 2.81
27	Amazon	Base & Hutch	General	\$ 212.13
27	Office Depot	Credenza & Hutch	General	\$ 1053.21
27	Super H	Decor	Water	\$ 7.57
29	Amazon	Library Port	General	\$ 237.06
30	Amazon	Hutch	General	\$ 169.67
		May Total		\$2367.07
June				
2	Amazon	HP8720 Printer	General	\$ 140.71
3	Amazon	Desk Accessories,		
		Stapler	General	\$ 91.90
6	Amazon	Hutch	General	\$ 226.00
6	Amazon	Rolodex	General	\$ 36.16
9	Walmart	2 Primo Water		
		Dispensers	General	\$ 359.43
9	Walmart	Drinks, etc.	General	\$ 218.66
10	Walmart	Coke & Lint Roller	General	\$ 6.00
12	Amazon	Bulletin Board	General	\$ 8.40
16	Amazon	Wall Calender	General	\$ 20.99
16	Amazon	Chair	General	\$ 229.98
16	Amazon	Headset	General	\$ 39.34
19	Amazon	Ink for HP 950	General	\$ 25.99
20	Gandy's	Clothing, etc.	Sanitation	\$ 166.00
20	Academy	Clothing, etc.	Sanitation	\$ 108.24
21	Super H	Drinks, etc.	Sanitation	\$ 15.41
22	Super H	Drinks, etc.	Sanitation	\$ 9.38
24	Amazon	Binders	General	\$ 71.34
26	Amazon	Smart Watch,		
		Accessories	General	\$ 716.93

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