TOWN OF FAYAL 4375 SHADY LANE, EVELETH, MN 55734

Heidi M. Coldagelli, Clerk/Treasurer

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Supervisors: Lee Branville, Mark Chad, Richard Sather, Patrick Ziegler

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD FEBRUARY 5, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Town Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Tammaro. Present were: Chairman Tammaro, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Chad, Supervisor Sather, Supervisor Ziegler and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli. Chairman Tammaro began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience member in attendance was Deputy Police Chief Jesse Linde.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of January 15th, 2019, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather. Supervisor Branville abstained. Motion carried.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

<u>AUDIENCE CONCERNS</u>- Deputy Police Chief Jesse Linde presented the December and January Police Reports. There were 75 calls and 5 traffic stops.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report-

Bank statements for the month of January have not yet been received so this report is tentative. Revenues were \$81,556.86 and expenditures were \$169,724.47. Tentative ending balances for the month of January are:

Miners Checking- \$1,065,146.95 Assessment Savings- \$450,872.08 CD Savings- \$525,301.13

For the month of February to date, revenues are \$6,565.39 and expenditures are \$36,588.22.

Motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's Report, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the January 22nd, January 28th and February 4th Employee Meeting Minutes, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the December and January Police Report, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the December 19th Planning Committee Minutes, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE-

January 18th- Email from Holly Olson from St. Louis County. St. Louis County is updating its Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan and they are in need of public input regarding comments, concerns or questions regarding natural disasters and potential mitigation actions to be included into the plan update process. Placed on file.

January 18th- Email from Cathy Rouleau from St. Louis County Association of Townships. SLCAT Lobby Day is February 20th. Deadline for the bus will be February 16th. Placed on file.

January 24th- Thank you letter from Eveleth-Gilbert Choir Boosters for sponsorship of the Tonic Sol Fa Concert. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Sather-

<u>Fire Department Co-op</u>- Consultant's flight was cancelled due to weather. Clerk Coldagelli spoke with the Consultant and they discussed rescheduling for another Wednesday and skyping in if bad weather again.

<u>Employee Hours</u>- Supervisors Ziegler and Sather are still working on. Chairman Tammaro added that the Wastewater Operator and Billing Clerk are now adhering to 32 hours a week.

Supervisor Branville-

Generator- Supervisor Branville spoke with Hometown Electric. They are very busy and will get here.

Supervisor Chad-

Old Bullfrogs Building- No update at this point. Fayal's attorney was working with Mr. Toman's attorney.

Supervisor Ziegler-

<u>MnDOT Relocation</u>- Letter was sent to Mr. Johnson. No further information at this time. Supervisor Branville brought forward a discussion with a resident not in support of the project for fear of reduction in property values, dust and noise. Chairman Tammaro reiterated that a new ten-ton road could come from this as well as new water and sewer lines and a large sewer customer. Supervisor Ziegler added the dirt bikes that are being used out there now are creating significant amounts of dust and noise. Chairman Tammaro suggested seeking a realtor's opinion if MnDOT's relocation would create a reduction in property values. More public meetings could follow if MnDOT proceeds.

Chairman Tammaro-

Union AFSCME Contract- The sections were corrected and no longer conflict.

<u>Office Manager 2019 Contract</u>- Supervisor Ziegler will step in for Chairman Tammaro and work with Supervisor Branville to complete contract.

<u>Committee Vacancies</u>- Vacancies on the Planning and Public Utilities Commissions are advertised in the newspaper, posted on the posting boards, sent in the bills and placed on Channel 12.

<u>2020 Levy-</u> Supervisor Ziegler received a more detailed budget from Clerk Coldagelli and agrees with the justification for the Road & Bridge increase. Total increase still remains under 3%. While the PUC is not a levy item, by having the employees adhere to 32-hours a week, there will be a savings of \$10,000.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to cancel the 2nd Board Meeting in March, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Water Damage Claim</u>- The adjustor assisted Clerk Coldagelli in finding a contractor to check for water damage in the walls. Clerk Coldagelli called a number of contractors and none were available. ServiceMaster out of St. Cloud provided an estimate and it is covered by insurance.

Motion to hire ServiceMaster Professional Services to replace the insulation due to the water damage, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Regarding the lockers, will wait until Chief Shykes is available to discuss.

Supervisor Branville brought forth the estimate for replacement of the 30-year old heater in the back bay of the garage. Repair of the existing heater is \$750 and total replacement is \$1,500. Supervisor Ziegler's only concern is that if the replacement heater is not oversized that it will not keep up and could burn out.

Motion to approve up to \$2,000 for replacement of the furnace in the shop area pending questioning contractor regarding adequate sizing, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tammaro commented that the heat in the buildings are turned up way too high after hours and on the weekends. He suggested having a lockbox. Supervisor Branville suggested monitoring for the next month or so. Outbuildings should be set at 60 degrees and floor heat should be set at 50 degrees. Chairman Tammaro suggested getting rid of dual-fuel.

<u>Eveleth Water Agreement</u>- Agreement will be forthcoming. Bulk water rate will increase from \$4.48 To \$5.09 per 1,000 gallons. Increase is equivalent to Eveleth residents' increase.

Capital Equipment Transfer-

Motion to transfer from Capital Equipment to Road and Bridge the \$10,000 from 2018 to cover the grader payment, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to transfer from Capital Equipment to Road and Bridge the \$15,000 when received from the 2019 levy to cover the grader payment, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>MPFA Loan Payoff</u>- There is an \$88,000 balance remaining and paying off early would save approximately \$1,500 in interest. Built into our sewer service charge, is approximately \$5.80 of our own debt service. When the Gilbert increase comes, that could help us as that loan will no longer need to be paid for. Chairman Tammaro would like to payoff both loans. There is a \$51,000 remaining balance on the Differding Point loan. The Differding Point loan is paid through assessments. Supervisor Ziegler asked if the Depreciation Fund could be used to pay that off? Clerk Coldagelli was not sure. Supervisor Ziegler asked if it could be taken from other funds in the meantime until the assessments are received. Will need to look into.

Motion to payoff the MPFA loan as long as the PUC's recommendation is to payoff, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to transfer from checking to savings \$2,610.98 for the 2018 contribution to the MPFA Fund, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$51,734.07 made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather.

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:37 PM.

M. Coldagelli

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi M. Coldagelli

Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved:

Attest:

Date.