

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

MAY 3, 2016

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

Audience members in attendance were Deputy Police Chief Jesse Linde, Nick Preiner, Steve Shykes and Scott Smith.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 19th, 2016, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Deputy Police Chief Linde presented the April Police Report. There were 28 calls for the month of April in Fayal, 13 stops and 14 arrests. Deputy Linde explained that arrests were not necessarily arrests but also included things such as speeding tickets.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report-

Bank statements for the month of April have not yet been received so this report is tentative. Revenues were \$59,294.59 and expenditures were \$97,952.87.

Tentative ending balances for the month of April are:

Miners Checking- \$799,410.42

Assessment Savings- \$454,381.19

Mt Iron Checking- \$8,051.96

For the month of May to date revenues are \$2,324.44 and expenditures are \$48,801.21.

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

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Channel 12 Joint Cable Board revised meeting minutes of March 9th and meeting minutes of April 13th, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the March Road Report, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Planning Committee meeting minutes of February 3rd, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the April Police Report, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE-

April 25th- Minutes from St. Louis County Association of Townships March 23rd meeting. Placed on file.

April 25th- Letter from MN Power. Recently analyzed areas of its power distribution system that are not operating at optimal efficiency. Determined that the power factor calculation was not applied our account and we will now see this on our bills. Placed on file.

April 27th- Estimate from Green Again Lawn and Landscape for \$2,969.25 for 2016. Moved to New Business.

April 27th- Quote from Hometown Electric for \$900 to replace 3 phase panel with single phase. Moved to New Business.

April 27th- Letter from Deb Hunter on Cedar Island Drive regarding ditch cleanup. Several Board members commented on the trash that can be seen in our ditches or that they themselves have picked up.

Motion to add a letter to the utility bills encouraging a community wide cleanup with bags and vests available at the Town Hall, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

April 28th- Letter from St. Louis County regarding Notice of Filing for the 2016 General Election. Clerk Coldagelli will take care of posting at designated posting places.

April 28th- Letter from MN Power. Business rebate check for \$803.54 has been submitted for processing from LED light replacement. Placed on file.

May 2nd- Letter from Couri & Ruppe Law Office. Township Legal Seminar Saturday, October 1st, 2016 from 9 AM to 4 PM at the Cotton Town Hall. Registration and all materials are free. Complimentary lunch is also provided. Placed on file.

May 2nd- City of Eveleth- Aquaduct between St. Mary's and Ely Lake was opened April 28th. Placed on file.

May 2nd- Email from RAMS with minutes from the March 24th Board Meeting and the April 1st Special Meeting. Placed on file.

May 2nd- Email from Gene O'Brien regarding his interest filling the vacancy on the Cable Commission. Moved to New Business.

May 2nd- Letter from St. Louis County regarding the proposed sale of state tax forfeited land. Parcel 340-0010-04902 and 340-0010-05940 have been approved for sale by the St. Louis County Board. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Sather-

Gas Line- Project moving forward. Easements out on Long Lake currently being obtained.

Supervisor Branville-

Kitchen Updates- Clerk Coldagelli, Deputy Clerk Dickson and Supervisor Branville have searched online and visited Menards to look at what was available. Also looking at some cabinet refreshing and cleaning up of the kitchen.

Part-Time Help- Still working on policy.

Supervisor Ochis-

Survey/Road Project Shady Lane- Foreman Joe Zavodnik spoke with Wayne Spragg and he did not have the Township required insurance policy. Supervisor Ochis said that because of the insurance requirement, Mr. Spragg may no longer be interested in performing the work. Supervisor Ochis was unsure if Mr. Spragg had responded back to Foreman Zavodnik regarding the bid.

Supervisor Ziegler-

Fire Department Coop- No update regarding status.

Ballfield Road- The current property owners have not attended a meeting with the Board yet to discuss. There is a potential buyer for this property that was interested in the possibility of having water and sewer. In order to have water, a water line would have to be run either down Park Drive or through the ballfield for access. If ran through the ballfield, the ballfield would have the opportunity to have water services.

Supervisor Ziegler did not think the cost of running a service line that distance would be too expensive. Chief Shykes added that directional boring costs about \$16 per foot. Chief Shykes suggested sending letters to residents on Park Drive regarding an interest in water hookups.

Job Descriptions- Tabled again until another meeting.

Joint Powers Eveleth, Gilbert, Fayal, Leonidas Sewer- No new developments. There seems to be some confusion as to Gilbert's status in participating in the project. No formal meeting has occurred in a few months between all parties in order to determine the status.

Bullfrogs Building- Chief Shykes stated that tree clearing would need to occur before the property can be used for a burn training. Clerk Coldagelli informed the Board that she spoke with the property owner who stated that he intended to have the removal and clean up completed by the end of May. Chairman Tammaro asked Fayal Fire Department to spearhead this project to make sure it done correctly. Chief Shykes will work with property owner for cleanup and tree removal.

Chairman Tammaro-

Pine Drive Sewer Extension- SEH provided a new estimate that was reduced significantly from roughly \$380,000 down to \$248,640. This number still leaves some room for adjustment. PUC has not met yet to look at these numbers. Chairman Tammaro will need to speak with the IRRRB to see what could possibly be awarded.

R & B/Police Care Depreciation Funding- Clerk Coldagelli recommended that the Board put aside \$750 per month for both R & B and Police Department for the next three years to fund new vehicles in both Departments. Both Departments have 2008 vehicles and in three years \$27,000 would be available to spend on vehicles. Clerk Coldagelli added that she spoke with Chief Koivunen who felt that was appropriate and the Fayal Squad should have another 3 years of life left. At that time it can be decided if Fayal wanted to share the cost of the police car with Eveleth or if Fayal wanted to retain sole ownership of the car. Clerk Coldagelli also questioned if this was the route taken, would the General Fund fund for the Police. Chairman Tammaro thought that at this time let the Police Fund go over budget and then later relook at that budget.

Motion to fund depreciation of \$750 per month from both R & B and the Police Department designated for the purchase of new vehicles, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Employee Credit Cards- Clerk Coldagelli still needed to draft a policy for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Branville brought forward that the hose stations do not have hot water at the Fire Department. A quote for a separate heating system located near the washer and dryer that would provide instant heat is being attained. He also looked into some issues that are occurring with the Fire Department roof. A new roof would cost upwards of \$100,000. Ice buildup in the winter creates some major issues which he thought could be solved by looking at a heating mechanism as well as a better gutter system to divert water. Concrete aprons are needed at the buildings as well as a sidewalk to be able to access the Fire Hall from the Town Hall. There are some funds from the Mining Effects SCADA project that could possibly be used. An estimate will be forthcoming.

Supervisor Branville brought forth the estimate from Hometown Electric. Chairman Tammaro stated we can disregard that since another company has already been contacted to fix it. Supervisor Branville also brought forth the estimate for lawncare. The estimate provided by TruGreen was almost half of what Green Again has been charging.

Motion to contract with TruGreen for \$1,757.55, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Discussion followed to get a quote for the ballfield. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Ochis presented the recommendation from R & B regarding rules for at the dirt pile behind the Town Hall as well as at the Yard Waste site. The sites are currently being abused by some residents. The sites have been open to the public for intended use of taking a small amount of material to fill potholes or for gardens. Recently a citizen was at the Yard Waste site using a loader to remove material. The R & B Department has already gone through 12 loads of material in just the short time since the snow has melted. Clerk Coldagelli spoke with Chief Koivunen regarding fines for taking material which if it continues can be considered theft. The Board members wanted to have the site behind the Town Hall available to the residents as it is a nice service for our residents.

Motion to restrict citizens from removing material from the Yard Waste site, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Discussion followed to add to the signs that the material behind the Hall is only to be used by Fayal residents and no contractors. R & B will be asked to create a sign with rules to be posted at both locations. Chairman Tammaro also asked Supervisor Branville to look into estimates for security cameras again. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion for Fire Fighters Steve Shykes and Nick Preiner to attend the 141st MN State Fire Department Association Conference June 8th- June 11th, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Ochis. The conference cost was \$175 per firefighter as well as travel costs and would be the Departments first time attending. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Chairman Tammaro clarified with Chief Shykes that the Fire Department received a grant to cover the registration costs for FDIC training in Indiana and the Township would be using Mining Effects left over from the kitchen project, if there were any, to cover the remainder of the training costs. The costs were under \$1,000 and Chairman Tammaro said that could be covered.

Supervisor Ziegler brought forth a resident request of placing the hockey nets at the basketball court for roller hockey. Residents will just need to work together when someone is there to use the basketball courts.

Deputy Chief Linde presented National Night Out held the first Tuesday in August up at Veteran's Park. Last year had a high attendance and he indicated some assistance was needed with cooking. Deputy Clerk Dickson was working with him to organize the event.

Chairman Tammaro discussed "Coffee with a Cop" that was held April 25th. Ten citizens stopped by and for a first meeting it was successful. The one-year anniversary of contracting with the Eveleth Police Department is approaching and the Board would like to celebrate and for the next "Coffee with a Cop" scheduled for June to include the Fire Department for a Police and Fire Appreciation Day with a barbeque for the Fayal residents. It could be held before a meeting or even change the meeting schedule to accommodate it. The Board tasked Clerk Coldagelli to look into planning and costs.

Motion to appoint Gene O'Brien to the Channel 12 Cable Commission as the Fayal representative, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

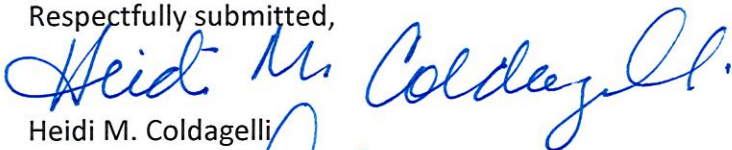
Chairman Tammaro asked Clerk Coldagelli to check with the Eveleth-Virginia Airport regarding tree cutting for their runways. He had heard a few comments that the Airport may be cutting too far back and wants to make sure they are cutting the trees appropriately and communicating with the residents.

Motion to pay the claims, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting by Supervisor Branville.

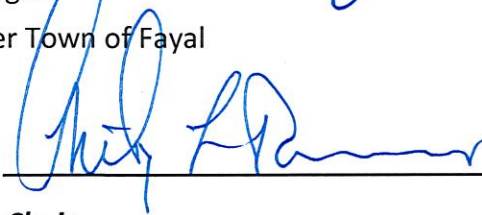
Chairman Tammaro adjourned the regular meeting at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Heidi M. Coldagelli
Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved:



Chair

Date:

5-17-16

Attest:



Clerk