

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

JULY 5, 2016

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 Sather, Supervisor Ochis, Supervisor Ziegler and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli.

Audience members in attendance were Deputy Police Chief Jesse Linde, Gloria Erkkila, Russell Erkkila, Stanley Erkkila, Brad Hadrava, Matt Hoffmann and Steve Shykes.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 7th, 2016, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- Russell Erkkila informed the Board that there was an issue with missed property tax payments on multiple properties. According to Mr. Erkkila there appears to be some discrepancies and they are working with St. Louis County to rectify. The Erkkila's are questioning the three assessments placed on their seven parcels from Fayal Township. Chairman Tammaro presented the Erkkila's with property ownership and assessment information regarding all of their parcels in Fayal. Chairman Tammaro suggested that Fayal Township go back and research the issue to determine the assessments were placed accurately.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Chief Shykes informed the Board that the Fire Department received a check from the DNR wildfires. After payroll, there will be about \$9,000 left and the Fire Department would like to use it for discretionary spending.

Deputy Police Chief Linde presented the Board with the May and June Police Reports.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report-

Bank statements for the month of June have not yet been received so this report is tentative. Revenues were \$58,172.44 and expenditures were \$79,198.76.

Ending balances for the month of June are:

Miners Checking- \$744,770.19

Assessment Savings- \$456,797.74

Mt. Iron Checking- \$8,053.98

For the month of July to date revenues are \$6,614.47 and expenditures are \$44,844.08. St. Louis County apportionment money was scheduled to be disbursed to Fayal today for \$538,156.59.

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

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Public Utilities Commission Meeting Minutes of May 10th, 2016, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Delinquency Report, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Wastewater Operator Report from May, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the E.F.G.S.D. Joint Powers Recreation Board Meeting Minutes from June 8th, 2016 made by

Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the May and June Police Reports, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Fayal Fire Department Business Meeting Minutes of May 11th, 2016, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Fayal Planning Committee Meeting Minutes of May 18th, 2016, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

June 16th - Fax from City of Eveleth regarding opening the aquaduct between St. Marys and Ely Lake on 06/16. On July 5th receipt of fax stating it would be closed July 5th. Placed on file.

June 17th- Letter from League of Minnesota Cities notifying members that at their May meeting the Board of Directors voted to set the maximum member dues increase to 3% for the 2017 fiscal year. The actual amount of the increase will be determined by the Board at their August meeting. Placed on file.

June 20th- Cardholder agreement received from US Bank Community Credit Card for Fayal Township. Placed on file.

June 20th- Letter from St. Louis County regarding proposed revisions to Subdivision Ordinance 60 and Zoning Ordinance 62. Placed on file.

June 22nd- Letter from Mediacom. Eleven new channels in eight different languages are available to customers around July 20th for \$9.99 each. Placed on file.

June 27th- RAMS Board Meeting Minutes of April 28th. Placed on file.

June 28th- Public Notice of Intent to Reissue Solid Waste Permit to St. Louis County Regional Landfill by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. Public comment period ends July 25th at 4:30 PM. Placed on file.

June 28th- Notice of Public Hearings for MN Energy Resources Rochester Natural Gas Extension Project Cost Recovery takes place Friday, July 15th at 1:00 PM at Cloquet City Hall. Placed on file.

June 29th- Request for donation for St. Louis County Sheriff's Volunteer Rescue Squad. They are hoping to be able to purchase two Genesis extrication tools, advanced rope rescue training, ARMER portable radios and advanced medical training aids. Moved to New Business.

June 29th- Letter from Mesabi Humane Society with their animal control procedures and defining emergency versus non-emergency situations. In non-emergency situations animals may be placed after hours in one of the outside kennels and complete the after hours drop-off form. Shared with the Eveleth Police Department. Placed on file.

July 5th- Letter from Couri and Ruppe informing Fayal that their rates have increased to \$185 per hour for general legal work and \$205 per hour for all development work. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Sather-

Gas Line- Moving forward with informational meetings at the Town Hall on the 19th and 20th for Long Lake residents.

Park Drive Water Extension- Clerk Coldagelli received four letters. Two were not interested in water services and two were interested in more information.

Differding Lane Possible New Water/Sewer Customer- City of Gilbert approved the potential property owner to connect to Fayal utilities. Clerk Coldagelli has not heard back from the prospective buyer.

Supervisor Branville-

Concrete Aprons for Outbuildings and Sidewalk- Completed and look very nice.

Instant Hot Water System- Chief Shykes informed the Board that it didn't appear to be completed and was not working. Supervisor Branville stated he would follow-up with Arrowhead Heating and Plumbing to ensure its completion.

Parking Lot Improvements- Still waiting on quote. Supervisor Branville recommended using reflective tape on the signs to draw attention to them as well as painting lines near the entrance to reflect no parking. Chairman Tammaro also asked the Police Department to monitor as they are patrolling and if they see citizens parked there to inform them that it is not allowed.

Kitchen Updates- No updates at this time.

Motion to approve the Public Access Television 2017 Budget, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor

Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Ziegler-

Fire Department Co-op- Chief Shykes updated the Board that the next step would be to meet with the IRRRB.

Joint Powers Eveleth, Gilbert, Fayal, Leonidas Sewer- No new developments.

Job Descriptions- Chairman Tammaro recommended that the Board approve the job description changes from February and that in the future they could make additional changes as needed. The changes that were made included a new title for the Senior Wastewater Operator and the addition that all employees help other departments as needed.

Motion to approve all the job description changes made in February, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Ballfield Road- Doesn't appear that property owners are interested at this time.

Part-time Help- Supervisor Branville and Clerk Coldagelli are still working on a policy.

National Night Out- Will be held August 2nd at 6 PM.

Bullfrogs Building- Chief Shykes updated the Board that no work has been completed. Deputy Chief Linde spoke with property owner and Chief Shykes is going to get back in touch with property owner.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve and sign the scheduled pump maintenance agreement through Minnesota Pump Works, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Chairman Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve payment to 3D Concrete for \$10,109.00, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Ziegler brought forth a blight complaint for a resident on St. Mary's Lake. The resident mows his yard but would like under the trees and the ditch to go back to wild flowers. All the vehicles in the yard are licensed. There has also been a number of blight complaints on Supervisor Ziegler's neighbor regarding the lawn not mowed. Supervisor Ziegler wanted to make a motion to have a Township Employee mow the property owned by the Kunnari's and bill the resident. Clerk Coldagelli needs to look into the ability to place the charge for mowing onto the sewer bill and also the liability of having an employee mow if its on private property. Unsure if the property is actually in foreclosure or not and are unable to contact property owner.

Chairman Tammaro discussed emergency procedures and how the Township needs a procedure in place. In the event that there is an emergency there are no directions. Clerk Coldagelli has begun working on a policy and has sent it to Chief Shykes to make additions or changes.

Motion to approve Nancy Roseen, Becky Dean, Tracy Salin, Linda Brown, Cathy Korva, Sharon Crep, Jeanette Walters, Carol Pellin, Eleanor Eck, Doug Gregor, Amy Brazero, Nicholas Domiano, Robert Mavec, Diana Dickson and Jan Mesich as election judges for the primary and general elections. Linda Brown and possibly Nancy Roseen as head election judges, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to set the election judge wage at \$10.50/hour and \$11.00/hour for head judge. Also to provide refreshments, snacks and meals, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Planning Committee had recommendations for at the Ballfield. Would like additional signage as well as having some dirt and grass seed placed once the season is over. Clerk Coldagelli was going to work on getting those items taken care of.

Motion to not waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minnesota Statutes for League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Liability Coverage, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the regular premium option for Workman's Comp per our insurance agent recommendation with a premium of \$12,866, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tammaro brought forth Kaleva Island Sewer Special Assessment and informed the Board that the sewer was placed on the property and then in 2008, the sewer was removed and they no longer had sewer access. Kaleva Island should not have paid assessments for 2009 and beyond.

Motion to reimburse Kaleva Island \$4,135.99 of assessment charges paid, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to pay the August MPFA payment for \$342,794.30, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

John Shaleen is a Gilbert resident who has been charged standby water fees. Currently his Fayal utility bill has grown to \$1,600. Mr. Shaleen was scheduled to be present as a guest at Fayal's Town Board meeting but, unfortunately, passed away last week. He never actually connected to water services after all the years so the charges should have been dealt with some time ago.

Motion to recommend the Fayal Public Utility Commission remove the charges accrued by Mr. Shaleen, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to donate \$100 to St. Louis County Volunteer Rescue Squad, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Supervisor Sather opposed. Motion carried.

Chairman Tammaro received a call from Chief Koivunen and the police squad needs a new engine. The estimated repair costs were around \$8,000 and Fayal was asked if they would split the cost with City of Eveleth.

Motion to split the cost to repair the Fayal Squad at \$4,000, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Discussion followed that the cost would come from the Police Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tammaro added that future discussions should be made regarding the police squad and ownership. Eveleth Police Department has invested \$7,000 into outfitting the squad to accommodate the K9 unit. Supervisor Ziegler added that the partnership between both parties was important.

Motion for the Fire Department's request of \$2,000 for medical supplies and \$2,000 for audio/visual training from the Skibo fire reimbursement, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

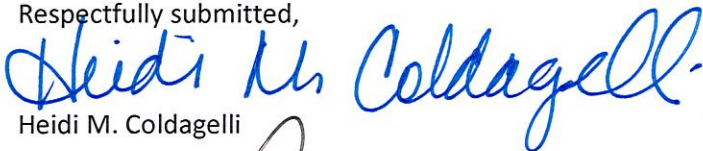
Motion to pay for road striping and crack sealing if the bill arrives before the next meeting, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting by Supervisor Ziegler.

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the regular meeting at 8:01 PM.

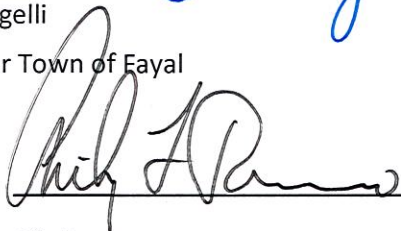
Respectfully submitted,



Heidi M. Coldagelli

Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved:



Chair

Date:

8-16-16

Attest:



Clerk