

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

OCTOBER 18, 2016

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

Audience members in attendance were Deputy Police Chief Jesse Linde, Steve Shykes and Jerry Ulman.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 4th, 2016, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Steve Skykes added that they had received a matching \$1,000 grant from the DNR.

Jerry Ulman asked if he could refuse allowance into the yard waste site for an individual that continues to come to the site just minutes prior to closing. Vice-Chair Branville suggested they give him a warning and ask him to come earlier as the site is only open until 5:00.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report-

Bank statements for the month of September have been received and all accounts have been reconciled. Revenues were \$93,233.03 and expenditures were \$105,601.66. Taconite Municipal Aid was received from St. Louis County for \$32,895.00 as well as State Aid Fire for \$10,497.86.

Ending balances for the month of September are:

Miners Checking- \$996,466.67

Assessment Savings- \$337,754.05

Mt Iron Checking- \$8,058.02

For the month of October to date, revenues are \$32,622.41 and expenditures are \$60,666.04.

Motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's Report, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Vice-Chair Branville. Chief Shykes informed Clerk Coldagelli that the State Aid needed to be distributed to the Fire Relief Association. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Public Utility Commission Meeting Minutes from September 13th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Vice-Chair Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the September Wastewater Operator Report, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Vice-Chair Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion to accept the Joint Powers Recreation Board Meeting Minutes from October 12th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Fire Department Business Meeting Minutes of September 14th, made by Supervisor

Sather, support from Vice-Chair Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Joint Cable Television Access Board Meeting Minutes of October 12th, made by Vice-Chair Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

October 12th- Letter from City of Eveleth regarding bulk water rates. Fayal's rates will increase from \$3.44/1000 gallons to \$3.96/1000 gallons effective 10/25/2016. Effective 2/25/2017 an increase to \$4.48/1000 gallons- essentially a 30% increase. Placed on file. Billing Clerk Dickson sharing with PUC.

October 14th- Financial statements for years ending December 31st, 2015 and 2014 for Eveleth-Fayal-Gilbert-School District Joint Recreation Board from Walker, Giroux & Hahne. Placed on file.

October 14th- Check from League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust for garage water damage claim for \$5,890.52. Placed on file and listed under Old Business.

October 17th- Health plan renewal packet from HealthPartners. If Fayal would like to change their plan that will renew 1/1/2017, we would need to notify HealthPartners by 12/01/2016. Jamie Lindseth will reach out to us and place on file.

October 17th- Letter from Chris Sailstad of the Fayal Fire Department expressing his displeasure of the commercial stove removal. Placed on file and listed under Old Business.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Ochis-

Farm Tap Leak- Gasline was bored and Gulbranson did an excellent job. L & S will be connecting 10/19.

Supervisor Sather-

Long Lake Gas Line- Heard that an individual was already connected.

Sewer Committee- Supervisor Ziegler and Supervisor Sather are the representatives from the Town Board and Cal Turner and Greg Buckley were the representatives from the PUC.

Miller Trunk Gas Line- Clerk Coldagelli updated that there were 11 applications received. Short approximately \$2,200 and Ron Erjavec paid the difference in the hopes that any late connections could reimburse him. Gas company should be coming through area within the week.

Scheduled Hours- Supervisor Sather discussed that he and Supervisor Ochis were okay with the employees current hours of work as long as there are some consistencies and accountability of the hours. If they need to adjust their hours, make sure that someone is aware they will be leaving early or staying late. Supervisor Sather has a meeting with the union representative to discuss the error within the contract regarding Senior Wastewater Operator Dickson's scheduled hours. Currently averaging 37 hours per week and possibly scheduled hours needs to increase from 32 standard hours. Clerk Coldagelli confirmed that the R & B Department has improved their communication with her if they need to leave early or come in late. Clerk Coldagelli added that at their employee Monday morning meetings, Senior Wastewater Operator Dickson didn't appear to have any issues with having a M.O.U. completed allowing the flexing of scheduled hours. Some weeks are extremely busy with locates, lift station issues, etc. and he has to work over 32 hours. Discussion from the Supervisors suggested that he stays within his 32 hours at this time, research to determine history of working over 32 hours and wait to hear from the union representative for his recommendation. The decision was to wait until union meeting and the feasibility of an additional employee before making any changes to hours of work.

Joint Powers Eveleth-Gilbert-Fayal-Leonidas Sewer- No status updates.

Supervisor Branville-

Kitchen Improvements- Letter received from Chris Sailstad urging the Board to keep the commercial stove. Vice-Chair Branville expressed his displeasure in the response. Supervisor Ochis was not in support of the stove removal. Vice-Chair Branville added that the stove was overkill which was acquired by the Township at no cost nearly 20 years ago. The repairman had indicated that if not used on a regular basis the stove could continue to break. Clerk Coldagelli had received a few complaints from individuals that had difficulty with operating the stove. Vice-Chair Branville will also reach out to Mr. Sailstad.

Parking Lot Improvements- Mesabi Bituminous will be completing this year.

Fire Hall Roof- Range Cornice Heating and Sheet Metal would like to complete in the spring but would price guarantee. Will have Equipment Operator Jurenic follow up with them to ask to come before winter.

Fire Department Co-op- Meeting on October 24th with Eveleth, Gilbert, Fayal, Virginia and Mt. Iron and another meeting on November 16th with just Eveleth, Gilbert and Fayal.

Old Bullfrogs Building- No updates.

PUC Building- On hold until spring.

Grader Purchase- Dropping off final paperwork with the bank and on track for November delivery.

Property Disposal- Do-Bid will charge a 25% commission rate. Do-Bid recommended not having a reserve on any items because it hinders the bidding. Some of the larger items should have a reserve on them such as the lawn mower, truck and stove and if they don't sell can do sealed bids at the Hall.

Congress Comes to You- Clerk Coldagelli and Chairman Tamaro were the only ones present. Jordan Metsa was very informative and expressed that Gilbert should be eligible for grant money to offset a large majority of the cost for the sewer plant upgrades.

Emergency Procedures- Clerk Coldagelli is working with Chief Shykes.

Generator- No updates.

Pine Drive Signage- Clerk Coldagelli is working on an application with Foreman Zavodnik.

Ballfield Property- Property was closed on. Title company reached out stating a small portion of a parcel was left out of the closing and was going to get back to Clerk Coldagelli with a solution.

Joint Cooperation with Eveleth, Gilbert, Leonidas, ISD 2154- Vice-Chair Branville is attending the meeting.

2018 Levy- Table until next meeting.

2017 Humane Society Contract- Table until next meeting.

Outdoor Lighting/Building & Grounds- Table until next meeting.

Board of Canvass- Needed to be rescheduled for 3 days to 10 days after election.

Motion to hold Board of Canvass on November 15th, 2016 at 7:00 PM prior to Board Meeting, made by Vice-Chair Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS-

Proposal from A to Z for PUC Building for insurance and work will be completed in the spring.

Supervisor Sather would like to have the Board take into consideration hiring an additional 32-hour employee in the PUC department and possibly spread the cost between all departments if it's feasible. Rationale would be when the Senior Wastewater Operator is gone there is someone to fill in and not always taking Road and Bridge away from their department. There are some retirements coming in the near future and it would be worth the time to look into it.

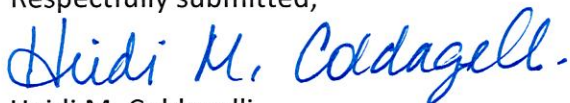
Security Camera- Looking at a camera aimed towards the recycling bins, solar panels and sand piles. Too many times garbage has been left at the recycling bins and there was a huge mess recently. Table until next meeting and look at possibly adding more cameras. There has been some security instances over the past year that cameras would have helped with.

Motion to pay the claims, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting by Vice-Chair Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis.

Vice-Chair Branville adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Heidi M. Coldagelli

Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved:


Chair

Date: 11-1-16

Attest:


Clerk