

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**June 16, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Tammaro. Present were: Chairman Tammaro, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Ochis, Supervisor Coldagelli, Supervisor Sather Clerk Sersha, and Deputy Clerk Salin.

Audience members in attendance were Delyle Pankratz, Jon Marcaccini, Steve Skykes, and Jerry Ulman.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 2, 2015, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.***

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**

Delyle Pankratz brought up an issue he and Jon Marcaccini had regarding hiring Martin Tree Service to cut down and remove trees and debris from his yard. The contractor dumped the yard waste at the Fayal dump site. Chairman Tammaro stated that contractors cannot get paid to dump yard waste and then dump it at the Fayal yard waste site. Mr Pankratz stated he is a resident and as he is unable to do the work himself, whoever he hires should be able to use the site. Chairman Tammaro explained to Mr. Pankratz if he paid someone privately to clear the debris they could dump at the yard waste site but contractors cannot. Mr Pankratz did not agree and stated he is unable to remove debris himself and if it is his yard waste it shouldn't matter who dumps it for him. Supervisor Ochis added the issue came up due to while Fayal employees were hauling dirt they left the gate open and they noticed the contractor dumping at the site. Supervisor Ochis said apparently after the employees notified the contractor not to dump there, he went back and dumped again. Supervisor Branville explained the reason there are set weekends for yard waste are that we open it and staff it so that we can monitor what gets dumped as the township has to pay to have unwanted debris such as large trees removed from the site. Chairman Tammaro stated the rules are, contractors cannot dump at the Fayal site. He said once a contractor is paid to removed trees, the debris and trees are the property of the contractor. Chairman Tammaro and Supervisor Ochis added the yard waste site is not for large trees, but for limbs, branches, and trunks up to six inches. Supervisor Branville stated the contractors can haul debris to the St. Louis County site for free. Chairman Tammaro added the board is going to discuss opening up the dump site for more weekends during the summer so that residents could have more frequent access. Mr Pankratz wanted to discuss the matter further. Chairman Tammaro commented the board may look at the matter later and asked that the meeting move forward.

Steve Shykes brought up the issue of purchasing a new truck. Mr. Shykes requested approval to apply for a consortium for buying a basic truck. Chairman Tammaro said the board will discuss this under new business.

## **REPORTS**

### **Clerk/Treasurer's Report--**

The month of May 2015, all accounts have been reconciled. Revenues for the month totaled \$66,467.30 and expenditures were \$77,734.92. Ending balances are:

Miners Bank - \$618,490.60

Assessment Savings - \$451,807.04

CD Savings - \$553,699.94

Mountain Iron Checking - \$161,180.63

For the month of June to date revenues are \$21,937.05 and expenditures are \$46,753.01.

***Motion made to approve the clerk treasurer's report made by Supervisor Branville with support from supervisor Ochis. Motion Carried unanimously.***

Chairman Tammaro asked Clerk Sersha if she has explained to Deputy Clerk Salin how to process the large payment we receive in July. Clerk Sersha said she will give Deputy Clerk Salin directions.

***Motion to accept the Joint Powers Recreation Board meeting on June 10, 2015 made by Supervisor Branville with support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Public Access Television meeting minutes from June 3, 2015 made by Supervisor Sather with support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Fayal Fire department meeting minutes from May 13, 2015 made by Supervisor Coldagelli with support from Supervisor Branville. Motion Carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the April wastewater report made by Supervisor Sather with support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the May wastewater report made by Supervisor Sather with support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the PUC meeting minutes from May 12, 2015 made by Supervisor Sather with support from Supervisor Coldagelli. Motion carried unanimously.***

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Leslie Lundmark at 3874 West Long Lake Road sent the board, and staff a card thanking them for allowing the yard waste site to be opened so that her family and neighbors could clear up and dump debris from last summer's storm. The card was passed around for the board members to read and placed on file.

Mediacom is upgrading to an all digital service. Because of this they will allow existing members to have HD adaptors (up to three) for free from August 1, 2015 to July 31, 2016. Any extra adaptors will be charged at \$1.99/month per each. As of August 1, 2016, customers will be charged a fee of \$1.99 per HD adaptor. Placed on file.

St Louis County sent notification that the Duluth Planning and community Development Office has moved to the St Louis County Government Services Center at 320 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Suite 301 Duluth, MN 55802. Placed on file.

The MN Association of Townships is having Summer Short Courses. The closest one available will be in Carlton County at the Blackbear Casino. Workshops include CTAS, Supervisor PM, Board of Equalization, and Clerk/Treasurer PM. Chairman Tammaro and Clerk Sersha stated these workshops are very helpful to board members. Placed on file.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Gas line- Nothing at this time.

SCADA- Supervisor Sather reported SEH has some issues with the SCADA plans regarding the placement of the 20 foot towers. Chairman Tammaro stated the issues are due to the plans call for 20 foot pipe to be attached. SEH stated they should be a stand alone next to the cabinet cemented in place. They are working this issue out. It will be some time as they are working on 40 and 50 foot towers right now. There will be more info later.

Fayal Comprehensive Plan- There are two draft copies of the Fayal Comprehensive Plan Update were available for the board's inspection. Supervisor Coldagelli reported there were some errors in the draft but those have been corrected. The police portion of the plan was also modified to present our current police arrangement.

Supervisor Coldagelli then read aloud Resolution 2015-03.

***Motion to adopt the June 2015 Update of the Town of Fayal Comprehensive Plan, made by Supervisor Coldagelli with support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.***

Woodlawn Drive East Project- Supervisor Ochis reported the project will begin July 6 and be completed by July 17, weather permitting.

Chairman Tammaro asked Steve Shykes if the repair bills for the fire truck have been received. Mr. Shykes explained the bills go through Interstate Corporate and can take up to 45 days to be received. Mr. Shykes reported then when Truck 81 was brought in, the inspector stated the truck is not safe to drive. The truck was brought back to the fire hall and has been red flagged and will not be driven.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Sather reported the Billing Clerk was told she has to work set hours even though everyone else works flexible hours. Sather stated he sees no reason the billing clerk cannot work flexible hours, as long as there is coverage in the office from 8 AM to noon daily.

***Motion made to allow the Utility Billing Clerk to work flexible hours made by Supervisor Sather with support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Tammaro reported there were 12 applications for the office Manager position of which about half of those are very good applicants. The board will set up interviews next week. There will be more to follow.

***Motion to approve the fire department to apply for the consortium made by Supervisor Coldagelli with support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.***

Supervisor Coldagelli reported the fire department has a resignation from fire fighter Dustin Kunnari as he is moving to Hibbing. His last day will be 7/31/15.

**Motion to approve Dustin Kunnari's resignation made by Supervisor Coldagelli with support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.**

Supervisor Coldagelli informed the board Fayal does not owe for the taping of the Planning Committee meeting.

Chairman Tammaro reported he met with the Eveleth and Gilbert fire departments about combining powers for one main fire department. He stated they are very interested in this. The study will go over all of the fire departments and look at each one regarding whether or not each is set up for this. It will make recommendations on any changes that should be made to make this possible. Steve Shykes commented there is also grant money from the state fire marshal's office for the same type of study. Mr Sykes will look into the grant from the state fire marshal's office. Chairman Tammaro stated the IRRRB does have funding available for this and they will take care of paperwork for the grant. Clerk Sersha said she would e-mail them on Wednesday.

**Motion made for Fayal combine with the cities of Eveleth and Gilbert and apply with the IRRRB for a feasibility study for a joint use fire department in Fayal, Eveleth, and Gilbert made by Chairman Tammaro with support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.**

Clerk Sersha is retiring and tonight was her last meeting. The board brought her flowers and a gift. Clerk Sersha thanked everyone and said it has been an interesting adventure and she has enjoyed working with the board members throughout the years. She said she is looking forward to her retirement.

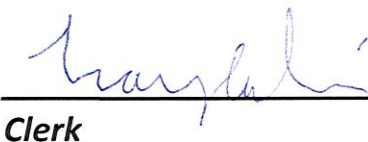
**Motion to pay the bills made by Supervisor Branville with support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:48 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy M Salin  
Deputy Clerk  
of Fayal

Approved:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date:  
Chair

Attest:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date:  
Clerk