

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

JANUARY 21, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Tamaro. Present were: Chairman Tamaro, Supervisor Erjavec, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Pernu, Supervisor Coldagelli, and Clerk Sersha. Audience member in attendance was Scott Smith.

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2014 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- For the period of January 1 - 21, 2014, revenues were \$25,878.73 and expenditures were \$53,119.37. Tentatively, balance are as follows:

Miners Bank- \$527,421.07
Assessment Savings- \$457,049.88
Mt. Iron Checking- \$108,589.72

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

Motion to accept the January 8, 2014 E-F Cable TV minutes, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Republican Party of MN- Republican caucus will be held Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2014 at the E-G Senior High School cafeteria, 800 Jones St. Eveleth, MN. No public meetings can be held between 6-8 pm. Referred to New Business.

Minnesota Energy- Notice of Application for a rate increase. Placed on file.

SLC Public Works- 2014 St. Louis County Aggregate Crushing, Crack Sealing and Striping Maintenance programs. Referred to Road & Bridge.

IRRRB- Notice of Award and Grant agreement for the Pleasant Lake culvert. We have been awarded \$35,000. Referred to Old Business.

Jackie Juneck, Eveleth Clerk- Revisions to E-F Cable TV agreement. Referred to New Business.

SLC Fair- Request for donation. Referred to New Business.

Jamie Lindseth- Letter of interest for volunteering to be a Fayal representative on the EFGSD Joint Rec Board. Referred to New Business.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Erjavec reported he notified the billing clerk that her hours will now begin at 8 AM daily.

Supervisor Branville reported Hometown Electric has installed carbon monoxide detectors in the public areas of the town complex and the skating shack.

Supervisor Pernu reported Matt Reid of SEH will be at our next meeting with a breakdown of costs for the Pleasant Lane culvert. We have received a grant from the IRRRB for the project.

Motion to accept and authorize signature of the IRRRB grant in the amount of \$35,000 for the Pleasant Lane Culvert project, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Coldagelli read an email from Scott Neff regarding his assessment of the Code of Ethics policy. Mr. Neff states it is an appropriate document for the town and its employees, but would have more teeth if the policy was incorporated into the employee contracts as part of the terms and conditions of employment. A typo was also noted. Supervisor Coldagelli will fix the typo and all employees and volunteers will be forwarded a copy for their review and comment prior to adoption by the town board.

Clerk Sersha distributed a summary of Ordinance 2014-01 for the board's review.

Motion to approve the summary, for publication purposes, of Ordinance 2014-01, made by Supervisor Coldagelli, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tamaro stated he would like to keep the Road Assessment Policy on the agenda for further review.

Clerk Sersha distributed copies of the Best Practices Policy and reported on the additions she made to the policy. Our auditor is also recommending we adopt this policy. The board will review the policy, and referred it to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Sersha reported there are two individuals interested in volunteering to be a Fayal representative on the EFGSD Joint Rec Board, those being Paul Coombe and Jamie Lindseth. Mr. Lindseth submitted a letter of interest to the board, which Clerk Sersha read aloud.

Motion to appoint Jamie Lindseth as a Fayal representative on the EFGSD Joint Rec Board, for a three year term, retroactive to January 1, 2014, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Coldagelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to increase the sewer depreciation from \$30,000 per year to \$50,000 per year, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Chairman Tamaro. Erjavec states we borrowed money from that fund during the negotiations with Gilbert and also to keep from increasing the rate, but we should now try to replenish the fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Branville reported he was asked about the high speed internet service that was supposed to be coming to rural areas, and will contact Northeast Service Cooperative.

Supervisor Pernu reported the grader blew its hydraulic line and will need pressure testing and repair.

Supervisor Coldagelli stated there are two free trainings for the police officer that he would like to attend. One is a three hour training, the other a six hour training.

Motion to authorize Harvey Thompson to attend training on January 23 and February 4, made by Supervisor Coldagelli, support from Supervisor Erjavec. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Coldagelli reported she had been contacted by the wife of a firefighter and was asked if a volunteer appreciation event could be held during the second week of April, which is Volunteer Appreciation Week. Clerk Sersha stated the event would have to include all volunteers of the town and it would have to be open to the public, if public funds were used. Chairman Tamaro stated if the fire department wants to hold their own event, they have relief funds that could be used.

Supervisor Coldagelli informed the board that two replacement pieces were needed for fire masks, at a cost of \$300 each.

The board reviewed the revisions to the E-F Cable TV agreement.

Motion to accept the amended E-F Cable TV agreement, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to decline a donation to the St. Louis County Fair, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Short discussion on the February 4 Regular Meeting. No public meetings can be held from 6-8 PM, due to the Republican caucus.

Motion to cancel the February 4 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on the 2015 levy.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Coldagelli.

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy M. Sersha
Clerk of Fayal

Approved: _____
Chair

Date: _____

Attest: _____
Clerk