

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

NOVEMBER 15, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Kniefel. Present were: Chairman Kniefel, Supervisor Erjavec, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Pernu, Supervisor Tamaro and Clerk Sersha.

Audience members in attendance were Scott Smith, Brad Reifsteck, Jim Johnson and Jerry Ulman.

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2011 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Chairman Kniefel abstained, due to his absence from the meeting. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- Bank statements and all accounts for the month of October 2011 have been received and reconciled. There was a total of \$72,215.06 in revenues and \$82,788.46 in expenditures leaving ending balances of:

Miner Bank- \$112,499.73
Assessment Savings- \$349,030.89
Mt. Iron Checking- \$683,560.92

For the month of November to date, there have been revenues of \$21,235.85 and expenditures of \$36,786.27.

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

Motion to accept the November 9, 2011 EFGSD Joint Rec Meeting minutes made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the E-F Joint Cable TV minutes of November 9, 2011 made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the October 12, 2011 Fayal Fire Department Regular Business meeting minutes, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

CARE Commission- Thank you for donation for the E-G All Night Grad Party. Placed on file.

St. Louis County Commissioners- Information on how the state property tax law change will impact taxes. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Erjavec-

Eveleth Water Agreement- Eveleth has approved and signed the agreement which is good through 2018. Chairman Kniefel and Clerk Sersha will sign the agreement and forward one copy to Eveleth.

Supervisor Branville-

DSGW Proposal- The proposal remains the same, but they have lowered their fee to \$4,700.00

Motion to accept the DSGW proposal and move ahead with a new fire hall, made by Supervisor Branville. Supervisor Tammaro supported, but stated we can talk about a new fire hall, but we should also look at what can be done here with this building and possibly building another storage building here on-site first. Tammaro agreed we need to keep the ball rolling. Supervisor Pernu agreed we need space, and we should focus on another building so there is more room for the fire department and road & bridge. Supervisor Erjavec stated he will agree as long as we are looking at other alternatives, other than to just build a new fire hall. Chairman Kniefel asked Clerk Sersha to repeat the motion. Supervisor Tammaro stated the motion should be re-phrased.

Motion to accept the proposal from DSGW as far as future use of the Fayal Town Complex, with an eye on all alternatives, whether it be a new fire hall or use the existing fire hall and add onto the town hall. Supervisor Tammaro supported. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Tammaro-

Solar Project- Supervisor Tammaro reported that the instructor at the technical college will be using our solar project as an example for the students, and he will be bringing his class out here twice a year. Maintenance will be performed at no charge by the instructor and class. As for the panels themselves, they are rated at a 25-30 year life expectancy. Supervisor Branville asked if there is an actual written warranty that says what is and is not covered? Supervisor Tammaro answered yes, Silicon Energy does have a written warranty. The project has been started, the trenching and running of the pipes across has been done. Extra pipe was also run in case we decide to build a building out there, cost was only for the extra pipe. The project will consist of 92 panels on three foundations and will be completed in the spring.

Chairman Kniefel-

Gilbert Lawsuit- Kniefel reported he, Supervisor Erjavec, Clerk Sersha and Brad Reifsteck spent two days in court last week, the judge has 90 days to rule.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Erjavec reported he received a complaint about the squad car running and being parked out in the parking lot.

Supervisor Erjavec there is a problem with seeing the stop sign on Airport Lane, due to trees. Discussion, referred to R & B.

Supervisor Erjavec reported there may be a discrepancy regarding the Cvek/Arjavec property as a sewer access charge was not collected when Cvek built his new house. At the time, the Arjavec house was supposed to be torn down, but it is now occupied and the property has been split.

Motion to send Ed Cvek a bill for a sewer access charge, if the facts are correct, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Erjavec. Chairman Kniefel will check to make sure before a bill is sent. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN CONCERNS AND COMMENTS

Scott Smith, Jerry Ulman, and Brad Reifsteck were in attendance but had no comment.

Jim Johnson advised on the visibility problem on Airport Lane.

Motion to pay the bills made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Chairman Kniefel. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Tammaro.

Chairman Kniefel adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy M. Sersha
Clerk of Fayal

Approved: _____
Chair

Date: _____

Attest: _____
Clerk