

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

FEBRUARY 19, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Tamaro at 7:12 PM, immediately following the informational animal ordinance meeting. Present were: Chairman Tamaro, Supervisor Erjavec, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Pernu, Supervisor Coldagelli and billing clerk Dickson. Clerk Sersha was absent.

Audience members in attendance were: Therese Elverum, Scott Smith, Kelly Sather, Jerry Ulman, Jim Johnson.

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2013 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Erjavec. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS AND COMMENTS

Therese Elverum- provided handouts and made a presentation about MN Dept of Health Heart Safe Communities. In an effort to prevent death from sudden cardiac arrest by increasing community and public awareness, placing automated external defibrillators (AEDs) wherever people live, work and play, and by educating the public on how to administer CPR. Therese has put great effort into this project. Part of the project is attaining 4 AEDs for our community. We have one at the DNR office, one at the Golf Course. We need one AED at the Beach, and one AED at the Town Hall. There is one AED in engine #91 and one for the 1st responders, these are not accessible for the community. Therese explains the purpose of the program is to make a safer community, by being prepared to reduce the number of deaths and disabilities associated with Sudden Cardiac Arrest. The AEDs cost \$1,100 plus the batteries \$300 which are good for 8 yrs plus \$80 every other year for maintenance, to be done at the Virginia Regional Hospital. She will be responsible to check and maintain the AEDs. She is requesting Town Boards approval for her application.

Motion to authorize Therese Elverum to submit the application for the Heart Safe Community Designation, made by Supervisor Pernu, support from Supervisor Coldagelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Therese reported they do require AEDs for the first responders, they would need 7 or 8, she will get quotes and has written letters asking the mining companies for help funding this project. Therese will continue to train EMS/Firefighters & law enforcement as well as conduct Community CPR and AED classes and offer fitness courses, cardiac strengthening & health promotion awareness activities within the Township.

Scott Smith- informed the Board Range Health in Hibbing will be submitting a bill for \$2,129 for health evaluations, he is requesting Town Board approval. Also, Metro Fire will be sending bill for \$560 for repairing the gas meter.

Motion to approve the \$2,129 & \$560 Fire Dept bills made by Supervisor Pernu, support from Supervisor Coldagelli.
Motion carried unanimously.

Scott Smith reports the heater was repaired, it was the thermostat.

Jerry Ulman, Jim Johnson & Kelly Sather had no comment.

REPORTS

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- All bank statements for the month of January 2013 have been received and reconciled. Total revenues were \$65,666.19 and expenditures were \$93,993.59. Balances are:
Miners Checking- \$620,165.76
Assessment Savings- \$471,564.46
CD Savings- \$430,027.72
Mt. Iron Checking- \$175,173.50

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, 2013 Public Utilities Commission Regular Meeting minutes, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the February 13, 2013 EFGSD Joint Rec Regular Meeting minutes, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the minutes of the January 9, 2013 Fire Department Regular Business Meeting, made by Supervisor Coldagelli, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Advocates for Family Peace, Melissa Scaia- Information on domestic violence and topics she would like to discuss with the Town Board. Referred to Old business.

Bruce Williams- Letter regarding a proposed contract with Gilbert for wastewater, and offer to write one. Placed on file.

MN Dept of Health- Notice of high HAA5 and THM results in our drinking water. Dale and Mike Wiskow are working on this. Placed on file.

SLC Assessor- Board of appeal will be held April 17, 2013, 1-2 PM Fayal Town Hall. Training for supervisors will be held Monday March 18, 6-9 PM Cotton Town Hall. None of the supervisors are trained. One of the Supervisors must be trained or there cannot be a board of equalization. Supervisor Branville will be attending.

MN Association of Townships- Spring Short Course training will be April 4 in Grand Rapids, Sawmill & April 5 Carlton Black Bear 9 AM-3PM. Supervisor Coldagelli will be attending.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Erjavec-

Gilbert Utility Meeting- Mike attended Gilbert's utility meeting. A meeting was then scheduled with Tammaro, Erjavec and Gilbert's Mayor Skenzich and Councillor Skalko on Thursday Feb.21, 2013 here at the Town Hall to discuss sewer rates.

Supervisor Branville-

Equipment Operator Vacancy- We met and narrowed it down to 7 applicants. We have set up interviews for next week. Four will be on Wednesday and three on Thursday. Clerk Sersha, Albert Jurenic, Mike Erjavec and Lee Branville will be doing the interviews. Chairman Tammaro wants to complement the hiring committee. Its been a lot of work and everything has gone well.

Storage Building Addition-Supervisor Branville reported he and Chairman Tammaro met with Shawn Parks from A to Z Carpentry and talked about finishing the project. Insulating the Fire Dept stall, there are 7 sections between sheeting, it has to be studded, insulated and sheeted. Some wiring will have to be moved. He also gave a quote to sheet and finish the storage room in the other side of the building. Storage Room \$1,100 in materials and labor not to exceed \$3,600.

The other part of the job Insulating the big pole building \$27,000 in materials and labor not to exceed \$12,197. Chairman Tamaro states Mr. Parks explained he is thinking 14 days in the Pole Building but he might have it done in 9 days. Just like the last project. Worst case scenario, last time his bill was \$10,000 less than proposed. Branville states they have been very fair with us

Motion by Supervisor Branville to accept the bid from A to Z Carpentry for labor to stud insulate and sheet the pole building \$12,197 and storage room \$3,600 second by Supervisor Erjavec. Discussion- funding, Supervisor Branville amends the motion to include, Mining effects money for 2013 go to building and grounds to pay for the building. Support by Erjavec. Materials are not included in the bid. We purchase the material ourselves and don't pay sales tax. Pohaki came in under Menards the last time, we expect the same this time. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Supervisor Pernu-

Bobber Stop Contest- Al plowed the runway across from the sea base airport on Saturday for parking for the contest.

Supervisor Coldagelli-

Animal Ordinance Policy- Tabled.

Chairman Tamaro-

Advocates for Peace- Chairman Tamaro did respond to Melissa Scaia's questions after talking to Chief Thompson. He will provide a copy to the Supervisors ASAP.

Detachment hearing- Chairman Tamaro states he is not sure where they are at. It was forwarded to Steve Kniefel. Have not heard anything.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Erjavec-

Eveleth Utilities proposal- We have a proposal on the table from the City of Eveleth and it is less than we are paying Gilbert. Chairman Tamaro states they did come up with a good proposal they spent a lot of time and effort working on it. It does need a little tweaking and the rate depends on where we connect. The point to start from on our line is Hwy 37 and 97. We would be liable to pay costs to upgrade Eveleth's line if we connect before progress park. So, it would be less money to pump all the way to Fayal ponds. Now we have options, Gilbert has a new mayor and new council so hoping we can work this out.

Dale Dickson- Dale is requesting town board reimburse mileage to drive his personal vehicle to St Cloud for WWW class March 4th. White car is rear wheel drive and horrible in the snow. He would feel safer in his own vehicle. The town board did approve this the last time he went to school in the winter.

Motion by Supervisor Erjavec to allow Dale Dickson to drive his personal vehicle and approve paying mileage for class in St Cloud, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Pernu-

SEH meeting- Meeting is set for Thurs Feb 21, 9:00 am to meet with SEH for upcoming road projects, mainly Golf Course Rd.

Supervisor Coldagelli-

Fire Dept Spaghetti dinner- Date has been set for April 7, 2013.

No Parking Fire Lane- Supervisor Coldagelli reports cars are parking in the fire lane, to the new storage building area. There are no signs stating Fire Dept no parking and Fire Lane do not block.

Heidi will talk to Albert. Dale needs to get signs on the other building so the sewer truck and generators don't get blocked in.

Fire Dept Indianapolis training- Therese's husband, Chris Petrack is attending on his own. She wants to know if he can ride along at no cost to us. Chris does a lot of training for Fayal for free. Town board agrees that is not a problem.

Chairman Tamaro-

Meeting schedule- Typically, we cancel one meeting in March due to the annual meeting.

Motion by Supervisor Erjavec to cancel the second meeting in March 2013, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget proposal- Supervisor Branville states there is a lot of issues with dogs running at large. As long as our officer is only at 20 hours per week, maybe we should hire a dog catcher and levy \$10,000. Supervisor Erjavec is not in favor of another position. Supervisor Branville says hire a contractor. Supervisor Coldagelli says Mesabi Humane Society has an animal control officer. We do not have a contract with them, it is on a case by case, it costs \$130-\$150 per time. Tamaro states, maybe we should ask the people at the annual meeting. Supervisor Pernu said everyday he has dogs in his yard, he feels this is a big problem. Supervisor Branville will do some research to see what other cities do.

Proposed 2014 Levy
Town Hall \$10,000
General \$95,000
Buildings & Grounds \$50,000
Fire Dept \$65,000
Police \$36,000
Recreation \$15,000
Capital Equipment \$30,000
Road & Bridge \$263,800
Total \$564,800 that is an increase of \$38,000 or 7.21% increase.

Chairman Tamaro says fire dept has to limit the training, they are way over budget on training. Four people going to Indianapolis is too much money. Scott Smith reports they have had a busy year a lot of calls and the increase is for payroll. Scott Smith would like to increase the payroll from \$10 to \$20 a call, but we know we can't.

Supervisor Branville stated we should have a \$5,000 decrease for power usage at the Hall. He will call MN Power for a report on our power usage with the new solar panels.

Motion to pay the bills, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Dickson
Billing Clerk
Fayal Township

Approved: _____ **Date:** _____
Chair

Attest: _____, **Clerk**