

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

JUNE 2, 2015

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 Sather, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Ochis, Supervisor Coldagelli, Clerk Sersha and Deputy Clerk Salin. Audience members present were Steve Shykes and Jerry Ulman.

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS

Steve Shykes informed the Board he had information on a water tender for the fire department from a buying consortium and the vendors guarantee pricing. Base price is \$241,000 with a 2,000 gallon tank and small pump to load and unload water. Financing is being looked at through the vendor.

Jerry Ulman reported he is having his home torn down and replaced. Mr. Ulman asked if the board minds if his property is in the tear-down stage for the next 4-5 months. The board had no problem with the request.

Supervisor Branville reported he received a special request to have the yardwaste site open due to special circumstances. A resident of Long Lake was unable to bring their yardwaste due to health reasons and the neighbors have asked that it be opened so they can bring the waste to the site. Opening will be coordinated with Albert Jurenic.

REPORTS

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- Bank statements for the month of May 2015 have not been received yet, so this report is tentative. Revenues were \$63,888.06 and expenditures were \$76,827.06. Tentative balances are:

Miners Bank-	\$615,954.98
Assessment Savings-	\$451,693.23
Mt. Iron Checking-	\$159,015.65

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

Motion to accept the May 2015 Road & Bridge Report made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Coldagelli. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

St. Louis County Township Association- Regular Meeting minutes of March 25, 2015 and Annual Meeting minutes of April 22, 2015. Placed on file.

State Demographic Center- Estimated population for Fayal in 2014 is 1,819 and number of households is 797. If the numbers are to be challenged by the board they must do so before June 24, 2015. Placed on file.

SLC Planning- Zoning Ordinance 62 was approved by the SLC Board on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 and is effective as of June 1, 2015. Placed on file.

SLC Board of Adjustment- Public hearing on the variance request from Rodney Evenson, 7395 Ely Lake Drive, will be held Thursday, June 11, 10:15 AM, Northland Office Center. Referred to Supervisor Coldagelli.

SLC Land Dept.- A tax forfeit parcel on Francel's Beach is for sale. If the township is interested in the parcel, we have 60 days. Placed on file.

Fayal Fire Dept.- Request to purchase laptop for \$975 from Roger's Online. Referred to New Business.

Walker Giroux & Hahne- Additional accounting services will be billed at a rate not to exceed \$90.00 per hour. Placed on file.

SEH- Notice of Award, Agreements, Performance and Payment Bonds, Certificates of Insurance have been provided for the Woodlawn East Road Project. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Sather-

Gasline- Concerns regarding restoration have been taken care of.

SCADA- The structures have been ordered and they are 40-50 foot towers. They will need to be stored before they can be put up by the contractor in August. The project should be completed by October.

Supervisor Branville-

Ballfield- The out field needs mowing. Mark Forte has requested the infield not be mowed, they will take care of that. A game schedule will be provided so mowing can be coordinated.

Supervisor Coldagelli-

Comprehensive Plan- The plan will be bound and available within the next two weeks. Supervisor Coldagelli has four persons who have volunteered to be on the Planning Committee, those being: Alex Peritz, Vicky Tuskan, Joe Uhan and Chris Erickson.

Motion to appoint the four persons to the Planning Committee, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Sather. Supervisor Coldagelli stated the by-laws need to be updated and will be brought to the board for final approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Truck- Supervisor Coldagelli inquired on the costs for the fire truck repairs. Chief Shykes reported the bills have not yet been received, but the #91 truck has been repaired.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Branville reported the zero turn lawn mower should be replaced as it is 10-12 years old and is starting to need frequent repairs. Prices will be researched.

Clerk Sersha questioned if there is going to be a charge for the Comp Plan meeting that was televised. Supervisor Coldagelli will check. Sersha stated the charge, if there is one, could be reimbursed with the grant.

Supervisor Sather reported that he received a complaint from Nick Domiano. Mr. Domiano wants the township to remove tree roots that are coming up on the edge of his yard where the sewer line runs. Discussion.

Motion not to do anything in Mr. Domiano's yard due to the fact the area was woods prior to the placement of the sewer line, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to authorize the purchase of a laptop from Roger's Online in the amount of \$975 for the fire department, made by Supervisor Coldagelli, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tammaro reported he spoke with Mayors Vlasisavljevich and Kutsi regarding consolidation or cooperation with the fire departments of Eveleth and Gilbert. A meeting will be held on the subject shortly.

Chairman Tammaro reported the pre-construction meeting for the Woodlawn East Road Project will be held next Wednesday at 9 AM.

A joint powers agreement was received from the BCA for Fayal's prosecuting attorney.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2015-02 Approving State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements With the Township of Fayal on Behalf of its Prosecuting Attorney, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to authorize the request from Judy Sersha to transfer her accumulated sick time in the amount of \$18,717.75, to the Health Retirement Account prior to June 26, 2015, due to the blackout period of the Minnesota State Retirement System, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:45 PM, Supervisor Coldagelli and Deputy Clerk Salin left the meeting so discussions could take place regarding the office manager position. Both left voluntarily because each is applying for the position.

Discussion on the position. Chairman Tammaro stated he inquired on the feasibility of the interviews being done in a closed meeting with the entire board present. The MN Association of Township has advised that the interview sessions cannot be closed and must be open to the public. Supervisor Branville stated he would not expect a candidate to be interviewed at an open meeting, and felt it was unfair to do that to someone. The other board members agreed.

Motion to appoint Chairman Tamaro and Supervisor Branville to the Office Manager Hiring Committee to do the interviews, made by Supervisor Ochis, support from Supervisor Sather. All applications received will be reviewed and graded by each board member separately and at different times. The hiring committee will report to the board on the interviews. Supervisor Coldagelli was absent during this portion of the meeting. Motion carried.

At this point, Supervisor Coldagelli and Deputy Clerk Salin came back to the meeting.

Chairman Tamaro stated the Clerk/Treasurer position had been offered to Deputy Clerk Salin and he questioned if Ms. Salin was going to take the position? Ms. Salin stated she wants the position, but reminded everyone that she will have to go down to part-time status at her current job, and she will have to pay more for her health insurance. Supervisor Branville asked Ms. Salin for her offer. Ms. Salin requested \$25 per hour and a \$200 health insurance reimbursement. Discussion.

Motion to appoint Tracy Salin as Clerk/Treasurer as of July 1, 2015, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Supervisor Coldagelli abstained. Motion carried.

Motion to set the Clerk/Treasurer/ temporary Office Manager salary at \$25.00 per hour, up to 32 hours per week, and additionally compensate \$200 toward health insurance benefits not to exceed 90 days past the hiring of the Office Manager, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ochis. Motion carried unanimously.

Tracy Salin accepted the position of Clerk/Treasurer effective July 1, 2015.

Clerk Sersha stated that PERA will also have to be paid for the Clerk/Treasurer position.

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

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tamaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy M. Sersha
Clerk of Fayal

Approved: _____
Chair

Date: _____

Attest: _____
Clerk