

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
**4375 SHADY LANE, EVELETH, MN 55734**

*Judy M. Sersha, Clerk/Treasurer*

*Steven J. Kniefel, Chairman*

*Supervisors: Tony Tammaro, James Pernu, Ron Beldo, Lee Branville*

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**APRIL 4, 2006**

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Kniefel. Present were Chairman Kniefel, Supervisor Beldo, Supervisor Pernu, Supervisor Tammaro, Supervisor Branville, Deputy Clerk Zattoni and PUC Clerk Stewart.

Audience members in attendance were Jerry Ulman, Steve Shykes, Scot Smith, Mike Aro, Tom Prosen and Rich Mattson.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2006 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Beldo. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2006 Special Meeting made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.***

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**

Mike Aro is here on behalf of the Eveleth/Gilbert Tennis Team, and requesting use of the tennis courts M-F for Jr High practice. They would like a key to the skate shack with a broom and squeegee to be placed inside. Adult supervision will be present, kids will get off the bus at town hall.

***Motion to approve the request for the E/G Jr High tennis team to have sole use of both tennis courts M-F 3:30-5:15 and posted, as such until May 20<sup>th</sup> made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Discussion kids will get off of the bus, Scot Smith will be one of the adults supervising. Motion carried unanimously.***

**REPORTS**

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report-** For the period of March 1-31, 2006, there were \$79,498.04 in receipts, expenditures were \$15,145.67.

Ending balances are as follows:

Miners Bank- no statement as of today. As of February 28, 2006 \$33,635.81

Mt. Iron Checking- Current \$601,335.67

Special Assessment Savings- \$449,809.84

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

***Motion to accept the February 15, 2006 Public Utilities Commission Report made by Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Regular Business Meeting of Fire Dept Report of March 8, 2006 made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the EFGSD Joint Powers Rec Board Meeting of March 8, 2006 made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

**CORRESPONDENCE**

E/G High School Band- Requesting donations for the Band trip to Florida. New Business.

State Auditor- required to be audited they will be auditing end of 2006.

Northern Visual Services- offering advanced maintenance program services for our web site for \$20 per month. Placed on file.

St Louis County State Auditor still has funds available for disability improvements thru a federal grant Clerk Sersha feels we should apply for automated door openers. New Business.

Media Com - Request for renewal of the Franchise Agreement, renewal date is Nov 24, 2008. Clerk

Sersha spoke to City of Eveleth Clerk and they are requesting Free internet and cable services be put into the new agreement. Forward to PUC.  
Media Com- We received franchise fee \$2,251.62.  
SLC Association of Town Officers Minutes January 25, 2006. Next meeting to be held April 19, 2006 Cotton Community Center 7:30 PM. Placed on file.  
MAT- ShortCourse will be held April 7, Fortune Bay. Placed on file.  
League of MN Cities Annual Conference will be held at St. Cloud June 28-30, 2006. Placed on file.  
MN Rural Water Assoc. Workshop 4-18, 2006 in St Cloud on Water and Sewer Rates. Board feels we should send someone to this.  
American Bank will no longer be returning the checks the will be copied. Placed on file.  
US Census Annual Survey form to be completed.  
Community Development Division Program Kick-off will be Wednesday April 12, 2006 1:00-3:00 at the Mt Iron Community Center. Placed on file.  
Metro Fire- Quotes for thermal imaging camera. New business.  
SLC Auditor HAVA plan resolution from the county commissioners requires polling places to be equipped with assessable voting system for individuals with disabilities.  
State Auditor- released a list of forfeitures can be downloaded.  
North East Service Cooperative-Coverage for medicare and medicaid services, which we have none.  
Applications for liquor license Eric Sundquist opening Brantz DBA: Bullfrogs. New Business.  
Applications for liquor license renewal Eveleth Golf Course John Rinne. New business.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Supervisor Beldo-**

**Loader-**The fenders will be coming in 3 weeks they are getting a free radio and counterweights. We withheld part of the payment. The fenders were included in bid.

**Overlay Project-** We rejected the bids with the county. We should be able to get the bid specs from the county and find our own engineer to get the project moving. Kniefel states the county asked if they should re-bid it. It is based on MNDOT specs. Discussion do we need an engineer, in the past we did not use one, and maybe forgo the county striping the roads.

***Motion to get authorization from the board to approach two engineering firms to provide quotes for the oversight of our overlay project this year, and we wait for the quotes, and then make a decision on the engineering then. We will see who is available and in the area as to who will provide the quotes, made by Supervisor Beldo, support from Supervisor Tamaro. Motion carried unanimously.***

#### **Supervisor Branville**

**Ely Lake Dr-** Residents have concerns about Ely Lake Dr being upgraded would spoil the tranquility. Traffic would increase when it is improved. Kniefel states the SLC public works Dept has a short fall of funds, for both the local and state aid projects. Many of the projects in the 10 year plan are being deferred, 06 pushed back to 07. Ely Lake Dr would then be moved from the 2010 to 2011. There may be a change from construction to a reclaim overlay, then they do nothing with the shoulders. Decision is not final.

**Old Fire Truck-**copies of bidders instructions were reviewed, to sell the old water tender fire truck.

***Motion to accept the bidders instructions for the sale of 1988 GMC fire Dept water tender truck, and authorize the Clerk advertise it, support by Supervisor Kniefel. Motion carried unanimously.***

**FEMA Grant-**After they purchased the air tanks they had additional funds left. The Fire Dept would like to purchase additional items.

***Motion to accept the low bid from Ranger Fire Protection on the MSA 5000 thermal imaging camera for \$10,000, support by Supervisor Pernu. Discussion Metro fire \$10,100, & 5 Alarm Fire & Safety Equipment \$10,792. Tamaro questions if they are the same items, Shykes states yes, the bids are all for the exact same items. Motion carried unanimously.***

Chief Shykes explains the fire dept would also like to purchase 1. MSA remote viewing system for the thermal imaging camera. \$2,000 2. MSA Atmospheric 4 gas tester. \$1752.50 Tamaro is concerned with the tester, Shykes states the procedure will not change only for protection only.

***Motion to approve the purchase of the MSA remote viewing system and the MSA atmospheric gas tester by Supervisor Branville, support by Supervisor Beldo. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Old business continued**

**Supervisor Pernu**

**Landscaping Building**- He discussed with the employees landscaping the front of the building would like to re-sod, install some planters, and replace the curb by the door, estimating around \$1,500.

***Motion to approve the landscaping in front of the building approximately \$1,500 to sod, install planters, replace the curb by the door, support by Supervisor Tamaro. Discussion- Branville states Planning commission had plans of moving the curb out 15', this should not interfere.***

Also, need a couple of Laborers, for a day or so, to clean up the wooded area by the playground. Pernu talked to Nelson at the DNR but he doesn't think the logger is coming back, he has been paid. Pernu is still waiting for Gasperlin to follow up on repairing the front of the garage.

***Motion carried unanimously.***

**Supervisor Tamaro**

**RV Dump Fee**- We raised the rates and Eveleth is going to be installing an RV dump site at the Veterans Park. At the last PUC mtg the approved a RV dump fee of \$1.00.

***Motion to adopt Resolution 2006-3 "to establish Residential and Commercial Sewer Use Fees in Accordance with the Town of Fayal Sewer Service Charge Ordinance 98-2" with the effective date change, support by Chairman Kniefel. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Lighting**- the light has been out on the flag pole, Tamaro has the electrician scheduled to repair it.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Chairman Kniefel**

**Audit by State of MN**-- Auditor of MN has informed the Town they will be doing the 2006 Audit, they will be doing period audits of Towns every 4 years of those requiring an audit. Kniefel informed them we are under contract with Walker, Giroux, and Hahne so, they will be doing our 2007. The cost should be comparable but not known at this time. They will not audit the Relief Association but they will do all of the funds.

**MRWA-Rate Analysis Workshop** in St. Cloud April 18, 2006 Supervisor Tamaro or Chairman Kniefel will attend.

**E/G Band Trip**- request for contributions. Supervisor Branville will abstain from any discussion.

***Motion to Deny the request for contributions from the E/G Band made by Chairman Kniefel, support by Supervisor Tamaro. Motion carried with Branville voting no.***

**HAVA Grant**-

***Motion to authorize the Clerk to submit a grant application for automatic door openers for the building made by Chairman Kniefel, support by Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Liquor License Requests**- Eveleth Municipal Golf Course SLC asks the Township for a recommendation prior to issuing the license.

***Motion to grant the request to renew 3.2% liquor license for John Rinne at the Eveleth Municipal Golf Course made by Chairman Kniefel, support by Supervisor Beldo. Motion carried unanimously.***

Application for liquor license approval Eric Sundquist for on and off sale and Sunday. Township police has made a referral of no objections to this request.

***Motion to recommend to the St Louis County Board the issuance of an on/off sale liquor for Eric Sundquist to do business at the former Brantz DBA: Bullfrogs, support by Supervisor Tamaro. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Township Assessor Sippola**- 2005 they did a complete reappraisal of the Township, in aggregate 20% increase in value the town saw a 20% in value. Dave Sippola will be attending the Town meeting on 18 April 2006, to review the sales and prepare for the board of review which will on May 13, 2006.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS AND COMMENTS**

**Rich Mattson**

**Gilbert sewer connection**-7483 Sparta Circle Dr Gilbert, the old church looking to make a connection into Town of Fayals Sewer line. His system is failing. Tamaro, advised him to go to Gilbert meeting and start there.

**Jerry Ulman**

**Yard waste**- brought yard waste dates to the board. Pernu asks if some one talked to the Town foreman, Ulman states he set up the dates.

***Motion to accept the following dates for the upcoming yard waste as April 21,22,23 & 28-29-30 May 5,6,7 Oct 13,14,15 & 22,28,29 made by Supervisor Beldo, support by Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Steve Shykes**

**Fire Dept. Resignation**- Jesse Nuno sends a letter to the Town resigning immediately from the Fayal Fire Dept and First Responders. The Fire Dept has already approved the resignation.

***Motion to accept Mr Nuno's resignation with appreciation for his years of service by Chairman Kniefel, support by Supervisor Beldo. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Simulcast page with Eveleth**- update on the procedure simulcast pages in both jurisdictions on anything reported of smoke or flames. Not in effect yet waiting for 911 to take effect.

**Scot Smith**

**Firefighters Wanted**- In light of the recent resignations the Fayal Fire Dept is in need of new volunteers. Requesting an add be placed in the newsletter. Beldo says no problem, and any other items that anyone wants in the newsletter put a note in his folder.

***Motion to pay the bills made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Chairman Kniefel discussion RLK bill for \$3,000 2<sup>nd</sup> half should not be paid due to not completed. Except RLK bill, Motion carried unanimously.***

Ryan Turner agreement has been notarized and returned so it is all done.

***Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Tammaro.***

Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta M. Zattoni  
Deputy Clerk of Fayal

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chair**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Deputy Clerk**