

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
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*Steven J. Kniefel, Chairman*

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**JULY 15, 2008**

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 member in attendance was Mike Knutson.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2008 Regular Meeting, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.***

**REPORTS**

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report-** For the period of July 1-15, 2008 there have been \$430,695.03 in revenues and 41,926.63 in expenditures. Of the revenues, \$425,481.89 was from the SLC July apportionment, of which \$154,815.59 was deposited to Assessment savings and \$270,666.30 to Mt. Iron Checking. All departments were funded at fifty percent. Tentative balances are:

Miners-	\$64,045.95
Assessment Savings-	\$539,597.43
Mt. Iron Checking-	\$837,274.22

The PFA loan payment in the amount of \$318,518.70 is due on August 20, and has been submitted as a claim for approval tonight. The Fayal Sewer Company portion of this loan payment is \$40,401.60. As of May 31, 2008 the Fayal Sewer Company had a cash balance of \$68,614.85, and the Fayal Water Company had a cash balance of \$12,575.03. Complete reports have been distributed to all town board and PUC members.

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

***Motion to accept the June 2008 Road & Bridge Report, made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.***

The 2009 proposed EFGSD budget was referred to New Business.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

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

SLC Planning- Variance request for Bradley Adkins, Tara Person, 8102 N. Long Lake Road, referred to Planning Committee. Planning Committee has cancelled their July 22 meeting and has rescheduled for July 29, 4 pm. Placed on file.

Land Stewardship Project-Info on how special interests have attempted to weaken township rights. Request to contact our local representatives and let them know that we support township rights and do not want them weakened or undermined. Placed on file.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Supervisor Branville-**

Police Hiring- Referred to next meeting, more to follow.

**Police Vehicle**- Chief Thompson was in attendance for this portion of the meeting to report on the progress of the police vehicle procurement. The vehicle arrived yesterday and Elk River Ford will take the vehicle to Stryker's to have the partition installed. Chief Thompson will then pick up the vehicle and have the graphics installed before bringing it here. Once here, DSC Communications will install the computer and radar on-site. A new light bar will have to be ordered and Thompson stated that he and Albert could make the install.

**Supervisor Pernu-**

**Storage Building Garage Doors**- Northstar Door will switch the doors for \$469.00.

***Motion to have Northstar Door switch the doors on the storage building at a cost of \$469.00, made by Supervisor Pernu, support from Supervisor Tamaro. Motion carried unanimously.***

Supervisor Pernu reported the chemical toilet by the skating shack was replaced, but there is still problems with the door, since the hinges are made of plastic.

**Supervisor Tamaro-**

**Complex Generator**- Another quote was obtained from API Electric in the amount of \$39,965.00. Lanyk Electric's quote was \$29,500.00. Chairman Kniefel questioned if both quotes were for the same equipment and labor. Supervisor Tamaro stated they were.

***Motion to accept the Lanyk Electric proposal for a generator in the amount of \$29,500.00, with the funds to come from Mining Effects, made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Complex Improvements**- Katie Hildebrande of Architectural Resources will be setting up a meeting with employees etc within the next two weeks to show them drawings of the proposed improvements.

**Air Handler**- Installation will proceed this week. Grant deadline is August 7, if we do not ask for an extension.

**Chairman Kniefel-**

**Water/Wastewater Project**- The second public hearing will be August 5, 6:30 PM. Notices to property owners will go out this week, as well as posted and published notice of the proposed \$150,000 project.

**Park Boulevard West Overlay**- SEH Engineer Julie Kennedy solicited quotes from Mesabi Bituminous, Ulland Brothers, Hawkinson Construction and Parrk Paving. Of the four, only Mesabi Bituminous offered a quote in the amount of \$12,500 for the 2" overlay, with an Add Alternate fo \$850 for turf restoration. The other three contractors declined to give quotes because of their oil company not providing prices on small projects at this time due to the volatility in the market.

***Motion to accept the Mesabi Bituminous quote and do the project at the base bid price of \$12,500.00, with no Add Alternate, made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Chairman Kniefel. Motion carried unanimously.***

McBroom Construction submitted information on post tension concrete tennis courts for future consideration.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Erjavec reported the PUC has discussed a firm that will do collections on past due accounts and this firm will be contacting the PUC billing clerk. Discussion. The board agreed we should try to collect on at least those bills that have never been paid from the beginning of the sewer installation.

Supervisor Branville reported there are three lift stations that need pump replacement. Each lift has two pumps. At this time, Lift Station J1 is in the most need. The others can be replaced at a later date.

**Motion to approve the replacement of the two pumps on Lift Station J1 from Quality Flow at a cost of \$9,850.00, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.**

Supervisor Branville informed the Board there is a lift station on Long Lake that needs Class 5 fill. The property owner will be contacted so arrangements can be made for the access.

Supervisor Pernu reported the Renei hot water heater has scale buildup, Arrowhead Heating & Cooling has been contacted. Also, pest control will be coming to spray this Friday.

Supervisor Pernu stated he would like to include in the complex plan the addition of permanent restroom for the recreation area. The board agreed.

**Motion to authorize the Road & Bridge employees to attend a mower demonstration in Ashland, WI on July 23, 2008, made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Erjavec. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion to accept the 2009 EFGSD Joint Rec budget which is unchanged from last year, with Town of Fayal's contribution to be \$15,311.50, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.**

A billing was received from the DNR in the amount of \$200.00 for Lease #1440120159 which is for a dry hydrant located at the boat landing on Pleasant Lake. The dry hydrant has never worked properly. Chairman Kniefel referred the lease to the Fire Department for their review and recommendation as to whether or not the dry hydrant should be abandoned.

Chairman Kniefel informed the board that Pleasant Lane, a platted road, is being upgraded by a new property owner to access their property in the Naterra plat. This road has been used by other existing cabin owners located across from the Naterra plat for years. The town has never maintained this road but may be asked to do so in the future once it has been upgraded.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS AND COMMENTS**

Mike Knutson of the Fire Department reported that they are requesting samples of the turnout gear before a decision is made as to which ones to purchase, since the bids were so close in cost.

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

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Tammaro.

Chairman Kniefel adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy M. Sersha  
Clerk of Fayal

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

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_