

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

OCTOBER 17, 2006

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 Beldo, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Pernu, Supervisor Tamaro and Clerk Sersha.

Audience members in attendance were Harold & Barbara Nobens, Jerry Ulman, Joe Erjavec, Steve Shykes, Scott Smith, Josh Stewart and Donald Pfeiffer.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2006 Regular Meeting made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Pernu. Supervisor Tamaro abstained, due to his absence from the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS

Joe Erjavec was in attendance to discuss the cost for the overlay on the turnaround at the end of Moon Lake Drive South. Mr. Erjavec agreed to participate in the cost for the portion of overlay on his property used for a turnaround. Discussion. Supervisor Beldo reported that Verkovich had estimated it to be a 40/60 split- with Erjavec paying 40 percent and the township paying 60 percent. Cost of the project was \$1248.00. Referred to Old Business.

Mr. Erjavec also appeared, on behalf of Clyde and Evelyn Johnson, to present the township with two works of art created by Mr. Johnson, of Moon Lake Drive South. The canvas sculpture diorama art works depict a mining scene and a log jam and were donated by Clyde & Evelyn Johnson in recognition of the Fayal Township maintenance crew for their good works. The art will be displayed in the town hall.

Chairman Kniefel, with support from Supervisor Beldo, accepted the artworks on behalf of the town road crew, with gratitude, and directed the art be hung in the town hall and the clerk to send a letter of thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- For the period of September 1-30, 2006 there were a total of \$94,786.00 in receipts and \$213,311.81 in expenditures. Ending balances are as follows:

Miners Bank-	\$94,315.19
Assessment Savings-	\$267,337.13
Mt. Iron Checking-	\$659,618.11

To date for the month of October, there have been \$19,482.35 in receipts and expenditures of 53,944.94.

The new ballot counter machine was received today.

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

Motion to accept the September 2006 Road & Bridge Report made by Supervisor Beldo, support from Chairman Kniefel. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the July 31, 2006 Special Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission, made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the August 15, 2006 Public Utilities Commission Variance Public Hearing minutes, made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Utilities Commission August 15, 2006 Regular Meeting minutes, made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

SLC Public Works- Scale tickets for paving done by Ulland Brothers on South Moon Lake Drive. Approximately 24 tons were used to pave the turnaround, cost per ton is \$52.00. Referred to Old Business.

Scott Seeley, Naterra Land- Letter, concept plan and draft of covenants regarding a single family residential subdivision on Pleasant Lake in Section 26. Referred to New Business.

SLC Planning-Concept plan for East Shores of Pleasant Lake. Referred to Planning Committee.

Iron Range Resources- Copy of Public Works Grant Process and Application manual. Placed on file.

MN Rural Water- Info on free training session for System Planning & Management Training. Session to be held at Range Recreational Civic Center, November 1 & November 2. Placed on file.

Steve Giorgi, AFSCME- Proposal for consideration. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Beldo-

Motion to bill Joe Erjavec forty percent of the cost for overlay for the turnaround on South Moon Lake Drive, made by Supervisor Beldo, support from Chairman Kniefel. Motion carried unanimously.

(Clerk's Note- A bill in the amount of \$499.20 will be sent to Mr. Joe Erjavec.)

Overlay Concerns- Verkovich will talk to Ulland concerning the mat on Thunderbird Trail and the porosity of the overlay used on all the roads.

Supervisor Branville-

ATV Ordinance- Still working on it.

Diesel Fuel Tax- Only fuel for the fire vehicles is exempt from tax. All on-road vehicles must pay the diesel fuel tax. Since less than \$500 is spent on fuel for the fire equipment, it would not be cost effective to track it for the refund process.

Supervisor Tamaro-

Sewer Rate- We should be receiving a proposal from Gilbert sometime after October 24.

Kaleva Island- Nothing yet, waiting for the agreement from Attorney Neff.

Chairman Kniefel-

Northeast Service Cooperative- A decision must be made before the end of the month as to whether or not we will renew our membership.

Motion to proceed with renewal of membership in the Northeast Service Cooperative for the ensuing year, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Fee Office License- The issue has been forwarded to Scott Neff and we are waiting for a certified survey from John Jamnick which would show the exact location of the exhibit.

Supervisor Pernu-

Building Locks- The entire complex has been re-keyed and new locks installed. Some of the locks were sticking and unable to be opened, so Biss was called in to repair the locks, which are under warranty. Discussion on paying the Biss invoice.

NEW BUSINESS

Harold & Barbara Nobens were in attendance and questioned if there were plans to pave Service Drive? Supervisor Beldo stated he will have the R & B employees check the comprehensive plan, it may have been omitted. The road can be added to the list.

Supervisor Pernu stated the need for a defined access on the corner across from the Shortstop. At this time, the phone company is in there almost daily, and the area needs fill and crushed rock. The board agreed. The R & B employees will be instructed to fix the area.

Supervisor Pernu reported the winter fence will be put up around the playground the last week in October.

Supervisor Tammaro reported that the PUC truck needs new tires. A quote was received from Anderson Tires for \$524.21.

Motion to purchase four new tires for the PUC truck from Anderson Tires for \$524.21, made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Kniefel reported he received a phone call from a representative for the Naterra Land Company. A residential property development is being planned on the east side of Pleasant Lake and is currently before SLC Planning. The representative would like to address the town board and make a presentation at one of the two meetings in December.

Chairman Kniefel presented and read aloud Resolution 2006-08. Chairman Kniefel explained that in order to access emergency funds in the case of a disaster etc., it is now required by FEMA that the resolution be adopted.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2006-08 to Designate the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the basis for all Incident Management in the Town of Fayal, St. Louis County, Minnesota, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to direct the permanent full and part-time employees to become NIMS certified as soon as possible, by either an online or in-house course, and direct the clerk to maintain a file on the certifications, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Tammaro. Chairman Kniefel recommended all elected officials also become NIMS certified. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN CONCERNS AND COMMENTS

Jerry Ulman, Steve Shykes, Scott Smith, Harold & Barbara Nobens, Josh Stewart, and Donald Pfeiffer were in attendance but had no comment.

Joe Erjavec read a plaque included with the artworks donated by Clyde Johnson.

Motion to pay the bills made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Beldo. Discussion on the Biss Lock bill. Supervisor Tammaro amended his motion to withhold payment until the next meeting, to make sure all locks are working correctly. Motion carried unanimously

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Tammaro.

Approved: _____
Chair

Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM
Respectfully submitted,

Attest: _____
Clerk

Judy M. Sersha
Clerk of Fayal

