

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
FAYAL TOWN HALL  
January 10, 2012 7:00 pm**

Bertucci called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL** Present were: P. Bertucci, D. Pernu, and J. Damberg. Absent: D. O'Connor  
Also present recording secretary Diane Dickson and Supervisors M. Erjavec & T. Tammaro.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **Motion to approve the December 13, 2011 regular meeting minutes by Pernu, second by Damberg. Motion carried unanimously.**

**GUESTS**

Supervisor Erjavec nothing at this time.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Delinquency report as of 11-22/2011 \$97,622 - \$78,400 Gilbert = \$19,222

December 2011 Water/Wastewater Report.

Wastewater totals.

Pager call out report.

MPCA is accepting projects for the State Revolving Fund Loan Program for 2013 PPL.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Supervisor Tammaro arrives 7:05

Ed Cvek SAC on act # 970 and #971-Supervisor Erjavec reviewed all of the information that Kniefel found in the county records. Originally it was all one, the mother owned it, in a life estate. Then it was split, one of the siblings is not in the records anymore. We didn't know, should have gotten a Sewer Access Charge (SAC). Mike talked to Ed and they agree they owe for one SAC. The two parcels are contiguous so one SAC on the sawmill; they have been paying the monthly sewer fee on the house. They asked if it could go on the taxes, but it can't. They are asking for a payment plan. PUC says that is up to the Town Board.

- **Motion by Damberg to recommend to the Town Board Ed Cvek be charged one SAC, second by Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.**

Gilbert negotiations-The judge has 90 days from 12-15-11 to make his ruling.

Bertucci asks what's happening with the automatic water meters. Tammaro states nothing, the estimate was around \$131,000. Brad Reifsteck is looking for money for us, but waiting for the court decision.

Wastewater totals report, the averages since 2009 do not include approximately one million gallons because we are not including Differding Pt in the totals we just pay a fee for it.

The totals have been going down this is the normal trend for all municipalities. All of the low flow toilets, and water conserving washing machines and such.

Supervisor Erjavec talked to Wiscow last week about the possibility of sewer with Eveleth. It looks like it is possible they would need another lift station with a larger chamber and a 4" discharge. The pumps would be running about half the time each pump would run about 25% of the time. So, they should be able to handle it, and that's using the existing pumps. Erjavec says it all depends on what rate Eveleth can offer us. The initial offer would not be feasible.

Reviewed the pager call out report, the call outs have been going down. Most of the call outs have to do with rags in the pumps. People flush things they shouldn't. One PUC commission position is Open.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Clerk Sersha provided a draft copy of the letter that will be sent out with the Feb bills regarding the rate increase on the sewer and a new water rate schedule.

**TREASURER REPORT**

No report.

**CABLE**

PUC does not want to be part of the Eveleth-Fayal Joint Cable Commission. They feel it is a waste of money because nothing is on that channel. Tammaro says they told the school they were not re-upping the agreement, which brought School board members to plead the town board to reconsider.

- **Motion by Bertucci to recommend the Town Board Do Not continue sending our franchise fees to be a part of the Eveleth-Fayal Joint Cable Commission. Second by Pernu. Discussion, they feel the money is being wasted they don't care if they have a class; they need the money for attorneys. Motion carried unanimously.**

**GAS**

Bertucci says we should look at sending out a letter asking if they want gas. Look into extending lines, as they talked about years ago.

**STREET LIGHTS**

Nothing at this time.

**FYI**

Next PUC meeting will be February 14, 2012

- **Motion by Pernu, second by Damberg to adjourn meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane C Dickson  
PUC Billing clerk