

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 11, 2005 7:00 P.M.  
FAYAL TOWN HALL**

Chairman Bertucci called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**ROLL** present were: Aultman, Bertucci, Campbell, Damberg, M. Erjavec, & Zlimen. Town Board Chairman Kniefel. W/WWO Dickson and recording secretary Stewart.

Absent – Kingston.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- **Motion by Campbell to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 14, 2004, second by Zlimen. Aultman abstained. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.**

**GUEST**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE**

12-8-04 USDA Rural Development Community Programs. Placed on file.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Holcomb sewer connection: the agreement should state the engineer has been on site and is aware of the elevations and the pre existing conditions, before they design a system for Mr. Holcomb. The homeowner and the engineer should also be onsite during installation of the service line.
- The W/WWO talked to the contractor the next day after the last PUC meeting, and The contractor was going to turn it over to John Jamnick, Gilberts City Engineer. We haven't heard from anyone since.
- Memo from K. Campbell re: Re: clearing of the sewer easements- Kniefel stated the Town Board received the memo, but Tammaro wanted more information added to the memo.
- Finish the permanent easements- Kniefel reports he will be meeting with Tony and John Jamnick Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 at the Town Hall. They are going to discuss finishing the easements.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Campbell, Zlimen, met with Ryna to discuss the figures she worked on to look at a seasonal rate. No one on the PUC thinks the year round customers should have to pay an increase in order to allow the seasonals to pay less.
- **Tabled the seasonal rate discussion until further examination of the calculations.**
- Kniefel stated Chief Thompson complained of a sulfur odor in the Garage. No one knows what caused it. He thought it was the battery charger on the generator but they are not on the plug in is for the tank heater.

**WATER/WASTE WATER REPORT**

Campbell asked if the generators have a maintenance plan. Yes, the W/WWO has a maintenance plan and the generators are run monthly and serviced according to the schedule.

W/WWO provided year-end reports for the water and wastewater with the total gallons and fees. Braun Pump is the new ABS pump distributor and repair. For the last 3 years ABS has not had a representative in the area.

City of Gilbert's water plant is down and may be until Friday. They are requesting limited water usage and alert the fire dept. to use alternative water sources in case of a fire. Gilbert could check into doing a connection to City of Eveleth in case of emergency.

**SEWER**

We are having more covers made to cover the Add a Phase to keep the snow out of the contactors. The cover we had made last year kept the contactors from freezing.

**WATER**

Nothing else

**TREASURER**

Zlimen reports Campbell and Judy discussed the finances on the PUC water and sewer company. As soon as the year-end audits are done then we will look at year of 2003.

**CABLE**

Nothing at this time

**GAS**

Nothing at this time.

**STREET LIGHTS**

Nothing at this time.

**FYI**

Gopher One lowered the price of the locates last year but made the NLR's obsolete. Now they lost too much business and they have to raise the fee of each locate.

The next PUC meeting will be held on Tuesday February 8, 2005 at 7:00 pm.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:10 BY AULTMAN, SECOND BY DAMBERG. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Stewart

PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk