

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FAYAL TOWN HALL
JANUARY 13, 2009 7:00 pm**

Immediately following the Variance Hearing for John Hadrava.
Chairman Mike Erjavec called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

ROLL Present were: M. Erjavec, Bertucci, D. Pernu, O'Connor, Damberg, Ziegler & Troutwine.
Also present: D. Dickson, & Town Board Supervisor Tammaro.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the October 14, 2008 regular meeting minutes by O'Connor, second by Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion to approve the Bertucci Variance minutes of October 14, 2008 by Ziegler, second by Damberg. Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion to approve the November 12, 2008 regular meeting minutes by O'Connor, second by Bertucci. Motion carried unanimously.**
- **December 9, 2008 no quorum.**

GUESTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

MN Dept of Health water report for 12-1-08 No Coliform bacteria were found. Placed on file.
St Louis county Re: septic System Ordinance revisions. 12-26-08 O'Connor updated the PUC
and asked for comments to be forwarded to Rich Hyrkas at the county.

Eveleth Fee Office License for easement. 12-5-08. \$50 per year will be paid.

Supervisor Tammaro arrives at 7:25 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Set new rates.- Erjavec proposed we change the rate structure for the water company. He has been reviewing the figures and half of the people will see a decrease in the water bill and the other half will see and increase. It is an escalating scale MN Dept of Health and the MN Pollution Control Agency has been pushing this so people will want to conserve on there water usage.

- **Motion by Erjavec to propose the Town Board adopt the following water fees:**
- **\$13 service fee, for no usage.**
- **\$4.50 per thousand gallons from 0 to 4,000 gallons.**
- **\$6.00 per thousand gallons for > 4,001 gallons.**
- **Second by Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.**

RCB Collections- 14 customers have been sent to collections.

NEW BUSINESS

IRR grant for Lakeside Dr. --Survey results-- 61 were sent out to Lakeside, Shady, Maple, Park Blvd E & W, Park Dr & Lane. 32 were returned, 3 in favor on Lakeside Dr and 29 oppose the idea of another assessment.

The waterline project has been scrapped at this time.

PUC Members update was handed out.

SEWER

WWWO Dickson reported still working on the Korpela sewer project with SEH. If we do the project he requested the MH be placed as deep as possible for future connections.

WATER

Water tests -WWWO Dickson reported we didn't pass one of the water tests. The city of Eveleth has been updating the plant and they are changing the formulas used. Ziegler reports they have to go 10 days with each change and then test the water so it is taking some time.

MDH changed the way our Coliform bacteria testing will be done. We have until April to do the new procedure. We will be testing monthly now because we are using surface water. These tests must be performed by an outside agency, probably NTS.

Gilbert water -Erjavec states right now we are getting nothing for Gilbert using Fayal's waterline up to the plant. Send a letter stating we want the water rate for Differding Point customers to go back to \$3.08 in exchange for Gilbert using the waterline, and if Gilbert customers on Fayal's line want to connect to the water, they must also, connect to the sewer line.

- **Motion by O'Connor second by Ziegler to have Mike bring to the town board, Gilbert will reduce the water rate to \$3.08 per thousand gallons in exchange for using Fayal's waterline, and if a Gilbert customer wants to connect to the waterline they must also connect to the sewer line. Gilbert is still responsible for all maintenance and repairs on this line as previously agreed upon.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

Fire Hydrants will be cleaned out this week

TREASURER REPORT

11 customers paid the 2nd half taxes for a total of \$3,851.49 in delinquent utilities.

Clerk Sersha will provide a report after the audit is done the end of January.

CABLE

Nothing new.

GAS

Nothing new.

STREET LIGHTS

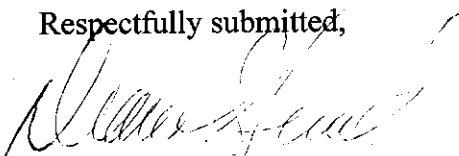
Nothing new.

FYI

Mike Erjavec resigned from the PUC commission due to he is now the PUC liaison from the Town Board.

- **Motion by Ziegler to adjourn, second by O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously.**
Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Stewart
PUC/Billing Clerk