# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING FAYAL TOWN HALL

January 8, 2013 5:30 pm

Bertucci called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

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

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 13, 2012 by O'Connor support from Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **GUESTS**

Supervisors Erjavec and Tammaro nothing at this time.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Delinquency report as of 11-26-2012 \$129,252 - \$105,078 Gilbert = \$24,173. Reviewed.

November 2012 water/wastewater report. Reviewed.

Delinquency report as of 12-26-2012 \$130,158 - \$107,636 Gilbert = \$22,522. Reviewed.

December 2012 water/wastewater report. Reviewed.

Mn Rural Water Assoc. 29<sup>th</sup> annual water & wastewater conference March 5-7 2013.

Dale Dickson water/wastewater operator requests permission to attend. New business.

Diane Dickson PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk requests permission to attend. New business.

Email: Broadband coverage survey. Reply by Jan 9, 2013. Judy wants PUC to review and reply. New business.

11-29-12 & 12-12-12 Letters from Gilbert they are increasing the water and sewer rates. New business.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

One PUC Commission position remains open.

Bertucci asks what is happening with the Gilberts lift station installed on our sewer line. It is being talked about in the court ordered mediation. Dale and Jamnick met to answer some questions from the mediator. Mediation is scheduled again Jan 17, 2013. Tammaro says we will wait and see.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

11-20-12 town board voted to have the house at 7511 Ely lake Dr be demolished. It is still generating a sewer bill #522. All assessments are removed when it goes back to the State of MN. No sewage being used, PUC let the billing remain until the property sells.

Bertucci advertised renting apartment.

MRWA conference March 5-7, 2013 Dale needs hours for his license.

Motion by Pernu to send Dale Dickson to MRWA 2013 annual technical conference, support from D.

O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Pernu to send Diane Dickson to MRWA 2013 annual technical conference, support from D.

O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously.

Broadband coverage survey- discussion Fayal is underserved in much of the township. Downtown Fayal has good coverage, otherwise there is no service. D. O'Connor will complete the survey and email the appropriate people.

Gilbert sent letters dated 11-29-12 and 12-12-12 Gilbert council voted to increase Fayals sewer rate by \$1.74 per thousand gallons and Differding Pt will be charged \$26.24 instead of \$19.28. The water charges will increase from \$5.13/thousand gallons to \$6.83/thousand gallons. Effective February 27, 2013, which meets the contractual obligation. They are willing to meet to discuss how and why they were determined. Please call with dates and times.

Discussion-Fayal should raise Gilberts rate and implement a non-resident fee. PUC recommend the Town board to send a letter to Gilbert saying we are in receipt of the letter and would like to have a reasonable and equitable contract. Arrange a meeting any day at noon.

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## TREASURER REPORT

Nothing at this time waiting for the year end audit.

## **CABLE**

Received a call from Mona Putzel she is on the cable commission She would like us to explore other options, Instead of media com. We have not had an agreement with them for years.

Bertucci says Media com owns the infrastructure so it wouldn't benefit us at all.

#### **GAS**

Nothing at this time.

## **STREET LIGHTS**

Nothing at this time.

## **FYI**

Next PUC meeting Feb. 12, 2013 @ 7:00 pm.

Motion by Pernu to adjourn. Support from O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane C Dickson PUC Billing clerk

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