

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 9, 2018

The regular meeting of the Fayal Public Utilities Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Greg Buckley. Present were: Commissioners Cal Turner, Greg Buckley, and Chris Erickson. Dennis Pernu and Amy Jackson were absent.

Audience members present were John West.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the regular PUC meeting minutes of September 11, 2018 made by Cal Turner, second from Chris Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.**

GUESTS

John West nothing at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Delinquency Report as of 9-26-18 \$ 8,686.70. Cal asked how much was certified \$26,712 plus \$2,400 certification fee.

September 2018 Water Wastewater report. Reviewed and placed on file.

9-14-18 MN Dept of Health Source Water Protection Competitive Grants available Oct 1, 2018 Equal cost share \$500- \$10,000. Deadline for application is Oct 31, 2018. Chris wondered if we would have anything for this. Nothing at this time, it is a water protection grant. Placed on file.

9-21-18 letter from Trenti Law Firm Re: John West. The Town respectfully denies the claim based on the statute of limitations ran out 9 years ago.

John West said he is still going to pursue the issue possibly as a group. John would like to know what the water fees were spent on. Greg states all of our financials are public information.

10-1-18 Broadband Planning Application & Update Blandin Broadband kick-off meeting is Nov 8 11:00am to noon Laurentian Chamber of Commerce.

OLD BUSINESS

Sandy Ahlin sink hole-Signed the sign off letter and she wants to wait for it to dry up and she wants to be present when it is filled in.

Bulk Water Agreement-Proposal from the City of Eveleth to reduce the water rate and add a \$15 per month per customer water debt service. Meeting is set to meet with Eveleth Oct 11th 10:00 am. Chris, Tony, Dale possibly Heidi. Chris has reviewed the agreement and it does not allow for a debt service charge counting our customers, we are one bulk customer.

Sewer Line Cleaning- Great Lakes Pipe Service, Inc. is scheduled to start cleaning section #1 October 15th they were going to wait for it to dry up, and it has been raining now. They have to do the restoration as part of the contract.

4 M Fund- Chris will contact Heidi the interest rates just went up.

Gilbert Waterline to Eveleth- Councilman Pontinen met with Tony and said they are not going to use Eveleth water, they are going to do a large water plant project instead.

The motion by PUC to change the Standby charges was not brought forward. Supervisor Pat Ziegler does not agree with this and would not bring it forward. Clerk Coldagelli brought it forward and the Vice Chairman tabled it.

- **Motion by Cal Turner to ask for another representative if Pat Ziegler refuses to bring our recommendations forward. He is an elected official, he does not have to agree with it, but it is**

his duty to bring it forward. Second by Greg Buckley. Discussion- Chris would like to give him another chance. If Pat chooses not to bring our information to the Board, then we would ask for another representative.

- **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

TREASURER REPORT

No treasurers report this month.

CABLE

No meeting was held.

GAS

Nothing at this time.

STREET LIGHTS

Nothing at this time.

FYI

Next PUC meeting will be Tuesday November 13th 9th at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- **Motion to adjourn the regular meeting made by Greg Buckley, support from Chris Erickson.**
Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Greg Buckley adjourned the regular meeting at 7:31 p.m.



Diane Dickson
Fayal Township Deputy Clerk
PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk

Approved 11.13.2018
