

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
NOVEMBER 8, 2005  
PUC REGULAR MTG  
FAYAL TOWN GARAGE 8:00 PM**

Meeting takes place after the polls close @ 8:00 pm.

Variance hearing for Muhich and Laurich was held first.

Chairman Bertucci called the meeting to order 8:15 p.m.

**ROLL** present were: Bertucci, Campbell, Damberg, M. Erjavec, Aultman & Troutwine. Town Board Chairman Kniefel and Supervisor Tammaro. Recording secretary Stewart.

Absent –Kingston.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- **Motion by Campbell to approve the variance meeting minutes of October 11, 2005 for Swanson, second by Troutwine. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.**

Campbell asks if the town board approved payment for Benchmark, Tammaro states the Board tabled it until spring.

- **Motion by Erjavec to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 11, 2005, second by Damberg. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.**

**GUEST**

*Rod Luoma and Bruce Nettleton* Rod was invited to come for an update of the Kaleva island lift station. Update: there is no one living at the residence, Benchmark engineering was asked to make a proposal to correct the problem. Kelly and Erjavec went out with the engineer to come up with a proposal. It has been tabled till spring. It is still usable the same way we have done it in the past. Rod doesn't want the responsibility for the E-1 grinder pump. Due to the distance the engineer recommends a pump is necessary. Bertucci asks if they would be willing to have a new septic system installed. The engineering fee is est. at \$6,500. Rod is agreeable to reinstall a septic tank, the drain field is new and in sand. Possibly leave the pump system in for summer use and winter use would be the drain field. This would still help the lake.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Copy of letter sent 10-12-05 to Benchmark engineering informing him the proposal was tabled at the Town Board.

10-17-05 letter from Brad Bodie re trees.

10-19-05 Report from Minnesota Dept of Health. HAA5 and THM. The sample results are within acceptable limits.

10-31-05 Minn Rural Water Assoc. re: membership, our dues have been paid for one more year. Delinquency report as of 10-25-05. We did generate some payoffs when they received the notice of delinquent being placed on the county taxes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Brad Bodie re: trees Campbell wants to know what happens next. Tammaro states in the spring we will cut them down. Aultman feels the law enforcement should be present during procedure. Bodie states we are trespassing. According to our attorney the Town has the right to keep the easement clear

- **Motion by Bertucci to follow the ordinance and follow thru to cut the tree, bring law enforcement with. Second by Aultman. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.**

Update the commissioners list, fix Campbell renewed in 2005. He was off for one month, then re enlisted.

Gilbert sewer; Jamnick is trying to set up a meeting. Tony asked them to look at our rate, they said no.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**SEWER**

Dale has been changing the contactors in the control panels, preventative maintenance.

Otherwise no problems.

Kaleva, When should we look at it, February and move forward. Discussion re: options we should look at putting in a new tank. Should get his sewer inspected. Call see if they have a plan on file.

**WATER**

Fire department flushed hydrants and they lost pressure. We are having Jola and Sopp install a by pass on the water pressure regulator today. The water contingency paid \$7,200 for the by pass. Dale will have the pressure regulator repaired. Erjavec reports there are some wash outs at Gutowski and Polacec and Wilson's on Differding Pt.

**TREASURER**

Kelly brought the schedule of Forecasted cash flows for Water Company and Sewer Company for each of the three years ending December 31, 2008. Provided by Walker, Giroux, and Hahne certified public accountants. He believes there will be a presentation of the rates at the Nov. 15 Town Board meeting. W, G, Hahne is projecting a rate increase for each year. Water to increase \$1 in 2007 & 2008. Sewer to increase \$2 in 2006 \$1 in 2007 and \$1 in 2008. Campbell advises the commissioners to take home the projections to study before the Nov 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Tammaro believes there are some errors in his forecast, the depreciation is set up at \$30,000 not \$34k. Looking at this forecast we cannot give a seasonal rate. The last increase was 2 years ago.

**CABLE**

It sounds like the school is going to turn it over to Virginia. Jack Lalli and Ryna Erjavec are from the cable commission. We can invite them to the next meeting to report on the cable channel.

Maybe we should stop funding the public access channel.

**GAS**

Nothing at this time.

**STREET LIGHTS**

Nothing at this time.

**FYI**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING BY DAMBERG, SECOND BY AULTMAN.**

**ADJOURNED AT 9:25 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Stewart  
PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk