

# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## REGULAR MEETING

### DECEMBER 13, 2016

The regular meeting of the Fayal Public Utility Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Dennis Pernu. Present were: Dennis Pernu, Cal Turner, Greg Buckley, Chris Erickson and Deputy Clerk Diane Dickson.

Audience members in attendance were Chairman Tony Tamaro.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the regular PUC meeting minutes of November 9, 2016 made by Buckley, second from Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### GUESTS

Chairman Tamaro, nothing at this time.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Delinquency Report as of 11-22-16 \$24,959.96. Reviewed there is no limit on a penalty and the certification fee has to be a reasonable rate. Placed on file.

November 2016 Water/Wastewater report. Reviewed and placed on file.

11-18-16 Resignation from the Public Utilities Commission by Donna O'Connor.

- **Motion by Erickson to accept Donna O'Connor's resignation from the Public Utilities Commission, second by Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### OLD BUSINESS

*Annual water and sewer rate review*-Water Company-Chris and Greg have been analyzing the water company. It has been cash flow positive by \$20,000, while the revenues remained the same, our expenses have come down. The difference is the amount of time being charged to water is less. GASB has a \$60,000 charge but not sure if it is all funded or not. Greg and Chris would like more time to talk to Patty at Walker, Giroux and Hahne before deciding on an increase, the new rate will be about \$6,000 more a year. Take one month to research.

Sewer Company-Chris and Greg have been analyzing the sewer company. They feel it is advisable to follow the rate study recommendations and increase the sewer by \$1 for residential and \$1.50 for commercial.

- **Motion by Erickson to raise the residential sewer rate \$1, and the commercial sewer rate \$1.50 effective as of March 1, 2017, second by Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.**

*SCADA*- IRC found the big generator at the Town Hall needs repair. Chairman Tamaro reports Clerk Coldagelli has applied for a grant from FEMA to upgrade and replace the generator. It works but it is hard on all of the computers. Tony is working on it.

#### NEW BUSINESS

11/21-16 2<sup>nd</sup> 1/2 Tax apportionment funds received \$119,514.61 big sewer, \$4,601.55 delinquent utilities, \$900.02 certification fee. We also received \$288.82 from RCB Collections on Account #358 listed 4/30/2009.

Certify list if it's less than \$200 should we still certify, the ordinance states we may post so we have the discretion. So, if they owed less than the certification fee we did not certify, although they had all paid.

*Certify delinquent*-Clerk Coldagelli Certified to the county the delinquent as of 10-24-16 to be placed on the 2017 payable taxes in the amount of \$17,308.79 on 34008 and \$2,600 on 34009. The amount is from the October late bill, but certified in December 2016.

11-28-16 MRWA asking for a letter of support. Diane will send out a form letter of support.

*Annual Roster update-* to be approved by the Town Board at the re-organization meeting. Seat #2 is now open we will send out notice in the bills and Clerk Coldagelli posted on the posting boards. Seat # 5 Greg Buckley is up in January 2017. Greg would like to renew his position. All positions will remain the same. Send notice with the bills asking for a volunteer, please submit a letter of interest, by Jan 31, 2017.

**TREASURER REPORT**

Treasurer report as of 11-30-2016 year to date was provided by Clerk Coldagelli and reviewed by Erickson. FWC Revenues \$72,051.20 Expenditures \$50,500.78 Cash Bal. \$58,474.04.

FSC Revenues \$487,974.94 Expenditures \$472,498.98 Cash Bal. \$190,239.84.

**CABLE**

Buckley reported the Cable Commission meeting was canceled.

**GAS**

Long Lake Gas Line project- Main gas line and service lines have been installed. Call MN Energy Resources if you have not been notified.

Miller Trunk project-Main gas line and service connections have been made.

Ron Erjavec paid the difference so the project would go forward. If any of the neighbors connect later on, they will be asked to pay Ron the \$545.06 that he paid for them. Chad has paid Ron.

**STREET LIGHTS**

Chairman Tammaro reported Diane has asked to be on a LED replacement plan. The light by the Short Stop has been repaired.

**FYI**

The next PUC meeting will be held on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Chris will not be able to attend.

Fayal has been invited to attend an informational meeting put on by Stantek for the new Gilbert council and the public. Dale, Pat, Heidi, and Cal will attend the meeting 12-14-16 at 10:00 am Gilbert City Hall.

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

Chairman Pernu adjourned the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Dickson  
Fayal Township Deputy Clerk  
PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk

Approved 1.10.2017

