# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MARCH 8, 2016

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The regular meeting of the Fayal Public Utility Commissioners was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Dennis Pernu. Present were: Dennis Pernu, Greg Buckley, Chris Erickson, Cal Turner, Donna O'Connor and Deputy Clerk Diane Dickson.

Audience members in attendance were Town Board Chairman Tony Tammaro.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2016 made by Turner, second from Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.

## **GUESTS**

Town Board Chairman Tammaro nothing at this time.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

February 2016 Water Wastewater report. Placed on file.

Delinquency Report as of 2/23/16 \$10,081.25. Placed on file.

Copy of response to violation from Sue & Bill White, new owners of 4536 Cedar Island Dr. He called asking for an extension due to the weather and they just purchased and they live in the cities.

 Motion to send a response to White's and give them a deadline of June 30, 2016 for the sump pump to be disconnected from the municipal sewer system made by O'Connor, support from Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.

MRWA conference report. Diane Dickson reported on conference highlights. MN Smart city on the State of MN website has an Infrastructure Stress Management Transparency tool. Distracted driving and HAZMAT awareness. Active Shooter- how to respond for a utility personnel. Talk to employees about preparing for a safety and security plan. Simple things to do such as include picture signs, join neighborhood watch, label doors etc. It was a very good conference.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

SCADA- TPC project is complete, we still have the retainage. Chairman Tammaro reported the warranty period started one month ago.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

IRRRB meeting- Chairman Tammaro reported meeting with Chris Ismill, Clerk Coldagelli, Dale and Diane Dickson they would like the township to consider getting water and sewer to K & B. Making it a more desirable property for future development. He would like the Town to consider having a sewer extension maybe cross the Hwy for future development. Possibly think about a moratorium for existing residents. Turner reminds the PUC we did a moratorium for the big sewer project and locked in the connection fee. O'Connor brings up St Louis County rules state you must connect if the municipal line is within 250'. Chairman Tammaro is having SEH do a

cost estimate, and check into the county rules. K & B is connected to city water they are an Eveleth customer.

# TREASURER REPORT

Erickson talked to Clerk Coldagelli, last month's report was tentative, and she is waiting for the audit to be completed. We should have the final report next month.

## **CABLE**

Nothing new. Dennis asked if they put cable into the skate shack. He is totally against it. Feels it will be a hangout instead of a skating shack. Tammaro stated that has not happened and not likely.

## **GAS**

Long Lake Gas Line project- Pam Sarvela attended the March 1, 2016 Town board meeting. They will be filing the project with the MNPUC. The goal is to keep the New Area Surcharge at \$25 per month or less on a 30 yr. term. Construction is planned for the summer of 2016. Turner feels the gas company should extend the line farther to the west on Hwy 37 to include everyone. Turner was advised to give Pam a call.

## **SEWER**

Eveleth-Gilbert-Fayal-Leonidas Wastewater Plan-Chairman Tammaro reports they have been meeting but they have not invited Fayal. We need to get on the list to be invited.

# **STREET LIGHTS**

Nothing at this time.

The next Public Utilities Commission meeting will be held April 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

• Motion to adjourn the regular meeting made by Turner, support from O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Penu adjourned the regular meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Dickson

Fayal Township Deputy Clerk

PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk

Approved 1./2.//