

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FAYAL TOWN HALL
April 14, 2015 7:00 pm**

Dennis Pernu called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL Present were: Dennis Pernu, Greg Buckley, and Chris Erickson and Donna O'Connor. Also present recording secretary Diane Dickson, and Supervisor Rich Sather.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2015 made by Buckley, second by Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.**

GUESTS

Robert Varani 4462 Woodlawn Dr E. Reporting his water line froze 3 times this year even with the water running, paid \$900. The service line goes under the road, He always has trouble and he is asking for help. Discussion about responsibility and the road being redone. Also, needs the curb stop raised.

- **Motion by Erickson to recommend the Town Board consider modifying the 2 bid requests for rebuilding Woodlawn Dr to include insulating water lines, including Varani's and neighbors second by O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously.**

Supervisor Rich Sather nothing at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

March 2015 Water Wastewater Report.

Delinquency Report as of 3/24/2015 \$44,325.

Yvonne Hines has asked for up to 6 months to pay her large water bill with no penalty fees. PUC agreed.

OLD BUSINESS

Delinquency disconnects- Erickson called SLC Assessor double checked to see if our assessments are coded correct the ones he randomly picked were good.

Called a sewer grouting company in Moorhead, they would charge mobilization fees. They have never done it to block a sewer line just to repair I & I.

O'Connor says the county has low interest loans to help with delinquencies. They go to the mortgage company for non-payment. Buckley will check on the top 10 for mortgage companies.

Chris Erickson reiterates we do not want to disconnect anyone. We just want payment. We are going to study everything first. Chris will forward ordinance and procedures from the Town that grouts the sewers.

SCADA-Went out for bids the bid opening is May 4, 2015 @ 10:00am.

NEW BUSINESS

IRRRB is requesting Fayal to do the locates of their sewer line. Mike Skenzich called he would like to set up a meeting if the PUC is in agreement. Discussion meet with them, charge a rate per hour to be billed on monthly bill. Diane will set up meeting.

TREASURER REPORT

Chris and Greg were wondering why the sewer fund cash balance is \$127,000 at 2014 year end our projection was \$152,000. Will check with Judy.

Erickson was studying the water contracts and fees from Eveleth and Gilbert. Gilbert is charging Fayal \$6.25 per thousand and Gilbert residents \$5.81. Eveleth charges us \$3.44 per thousand. Not feasible to pursue Gilbert. Gilbert councilor Pontinen stopped and said Gilbert is looking at sewer plant upgrades, and mercury compliance that will come to \$20 per customer.

CABLE

Buckley reported usual meeting.

GAS

Gas line extension-According to the construction engineer they are planning to start on service connections the first week of May, depending on the frost.

Long Lake extension- Diane has been working with Pam to come up with a contact list. They will do a mailing for a meeting.

STREET LIGHTS

Chairman Tammaro received a call from Esala regarding a street light for the corner of Birch and Lakeside Dr. There is a procedure they must make a petition for a light.

FYI

Next PUC meeting will be held May 12, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

Post for new PUC commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT

- **Motion to adjourn by Pernu, support from Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Dickson

PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk