# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING FAYAL TOWN HALL

May 12, 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 Cal Turner. Donna O'Connor and recording secretary Diane Dickson were absent. Also present, Town Chairman Tony Tammaro and Supervisor Rich Sather.

The Town Board approved Cal Turner as a new PUC Commissioner at the May 5, 2015 meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

• Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015 made by Erickson, second by Buckley. Motion carried unanimously. Cal Turner abstained.

#### **GUESTS**

Town Chairman Tammaro reported they met with IRRRB regarding locates, they signed an agreement we are not liable for anything and they will pay \$100 per locate, it will be put on the monthly bill.

Supervisor Rich Sather nothing at this time.

Mike Erjavec had no comment.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Delinquency Report as of 4/23/2015 \$46,650. Increased \$3,000.

Chris Erickson did bring along copies of ordinance from other towns that utilize the sewer grouting. He is waiting to check if they are paying the taxes after May 15<sup>th</sup>. We won't get our money from the county until July.

Water Ordinance 97-3 Amendment #2 liability for repairs. The Woodlawn Dr road project will re-do Varani's waterline under the road.

Street Light Ordinance 98-3.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

SCADA- Bids were opened May 4, 2015 and awarded. It was way under engineers estimate \$173,732, it has been approved at the Town Board level.

Delinquency disconnects- working on options.

IRRRB locates-Greg and Tony meet with IRRRB Flat fee of \$100 will be placed on the monthly bill, the Town is not liable for anything.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Northeast Service Cooperative Broadband Project-Chris attended the meeting, fiber optic cable is connecting town halls and fire departments throughout Northeastern MN, fiber optic is 100x faster than dsl or cable. It's a no brainer to connect the town hall and the fire hall. It doesn't sound like everyone else will be able to connect, because we already have media com and quest. Frontier is the company that is building connections off the line to residences.

### TREASURER REPORT

We officially ended the year with \$126,000, a loan payment is due in August. We should raise the rates somewhat at the end of the year.

Rich asked about our rates, \$29 of our \$57 goes to Gilbert and Fayal runs off of \$28 a month. Chris is worried about the mercury elimination project Gilbert will be doing. Maybe if we jointly look for grant money our rates won't go up so much.

# **CABLE**

Buckley reported usual meeting. Planning Commission meeting was recorded and broadcast.

#### **GAS**

Gas line extension-They are cleaning up and starting.

Long Lake extension- Not sure where they are.

Cal Turner was welcomed to the PUC Commission.

# **STREET LIGHTS**

Nothing else.

## **FYI**

Next PUC meeting will be held June 9, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

Chris will be absent at the next meeting in June.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

• Motion to adjourn by Buckley, support from Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Typed by Diane Dickson PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk