

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 8, 2007 7:00 P.M.
FAYAL TOWN HALL**

Chairman Bertucci called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL present were: Campbell, M. Erjavec, Damberg, Troutwine & Bertucci and Town Board Supervisor Branville. W/WWO Dickson and recording secretary Stewart. Absent –D. Pernu.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- **Motion by Erjavec to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 10, 2007, second by Troutwine. Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion by Campbell to approve the special meeting minutes of May 7, 2007, second by Damberg. Motion carried unanimously.**

GUEST

Supervisor Lee Branville, approved of the letter sent to Gilbert.

CORRESPONDENCE

MDH final report No Coliform bacteria were detected. 4-27-07.

Bill register summary, billed \$58,261 for May 07.

Delinquency report \$20,521.76 is past due.

Lengthy discussion about options for dealing with past due accounts. Maybe give a discount for paying ahead to generate revenue to make up for unpaid. Then, raise the rate for the late bills. Look into offering auto deduct, meter reading could go in the memo or have them do a quarterly or yearly reading.

- **Motion by Bertucci to anyone over \$500 past due put it in small claims court. Second by Erjavec for the discussion. Campbell wants to know who is going to go to court? \$150 is the filing fee. Supervisor Branville would like to bring several ideas to the Town Board for direction.**
- **Bertucci withdraws his motion and Erjavec withdraws his second.**

7:45 Supervisor Branville leaves the meeting.

Look at the fund accumulations.

- **Motion by Damberg to have Campbell meet with Clerk Sersha and Gary Giroux to decide what the excess funds can be used for. Second by Erjavec. Motion carried unanimously.**

Discussion about instituting an escalating scale for the SAC and WAC fees.

OLD BUSINESS

Eveleth Water proposal. PUC will wait to see what happens with Gilbert negotiations.

Luoma sewer- Dale has called several places for estimates to design and build an onsite septic.

NEW BUSINESS

None

SEWER

Yearly maintenance on the big lift stations, PUC gives Dale permission to continue doing the routine maintenance as required.

WATER

Three 10” water line valves are not functioning. Not sure what it will cost, J & S will come and check out the damage when the town has the valves exposed. Permission granted to do what is necessary to make the repair.

- **Motion by Erjavec to have Dale use his judgment looking for bids for the annual lift stations maintenance, second by Campbell. Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion by Damberg to have Dale use his judgement with the waterline valves repair or replace what is needed, second by Troutwine. Motion carried unanimously.**

Emergency lighting has been installed in the barn.

Hometown is supposed to be bringing a quote for a generator that will run the Township including the garage doors, the portable generators will not run the Town Hall.

TREASURER

Campbell reports on the Fayal Water Company the cash balance is \$26,374. It does appear to be falling behind. The Fayal Sewer Company cash balance is \$43,700 *payment on 3rd loan due from FSC August 07 \$39,760. Note we have been paying Gilbert at the old rate.

(see attached report)

CABLE

Nothing at this time.

GAS

Nothing at this time.

STREET LIGHTS

Nothing at this time.

FYI

The next PUC meeting will be held June 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Damberg, second by Troutwine. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Stewart
PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk