# PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING JUNE 13, 2017

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

Audience members in attendance were Town Board Supervisor Pat Ziegler.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion to approve the regular PUC meeting minutes of May 9, 2017 made by Greg Buckley, second from Cal Turner. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion to approve the Robillard Variance Hearing meeting minutes of May 9, 2017 made by Chris Erickson, second from Greg Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.

### **GUESTS**

Town Board Supervisor Ziegler nothing at this time.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

5-4-17 MPCA Environmental review for Gilbert's wastewater facility improvements. The comment period has expired placed on file.

Delinquency Report as of 5-23-17 \$15,377. Diane reported an attorney is cleaning up a property preparing it for HUD sale. PUC would like to know more information, is it a HUD loan or HUD owned. Also, Cal would like Diane to check the status of Surla property. It went tax forfeit years ago and the county errored and did not get the delinquent utilities, so the total delinquent was placed on the next years taxes in its entirety. Verify the County is aware of the current situation so it does not happen again. May Water Wastewater report. Dale was out for hours on Saturday with MPL power outages running the generators from station to station, with no backups. Read and placed on file.

6-9-17 TPC Telemetry and Process Controls, Inc. Proposal: Upgrade SCADA to provide extended pump run time alarm notifications. \$3,993 less applicable taxes.

- Motion by Cal Turner to recommend the Town Board accept the proposal from TPC Telemetry and Process Controls, Inc. to upgrade the SCADA to provide extended pump run time alarm notification, second by Chris Erickson.
- Motion carried unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

SCADA- IRC found the big generator at the Town Hall needs repair.

Korpela Subdivision-Nothing new.

MN Pump Works- They will be returning to finish repairs.

City of Gilbert- Nothing new.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

According to Mesabi Daily News, North Memorial Air Care is going to put in housing at the Eveleth/Virginia Airport in hangar #5. It will house a pilot, paramedic and registered nurse 24/7. What does Fayal need for the sewer connection, would the billing go to the Airport? The airport is a commercial account.

Discussion- Supervisor Ziegler believes as long as they are already a commercial account we cannot change our billing and charge them for another service. They would be adding another connection to

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their own private line. So, we cannot charge another SAC fee because the airport owns all of the land. They have water and sewer to some of the hangars already and this one may already be connected. So, the feeling of the PUC is they are already a commercial account and paying one and a half times more so we will not make any changes to the account as the water is metered and they pay the sewer off of the water meter. Supervisor Ziegler also reports he has been talking to an attorney regarding making a connection from K & B and it would be a privately owned main line, and he believes he could let the neighbors connect into the line and no SAC paid to the town. We will research our ordinance.

## TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer report provided by Clerk Coldagelli as of 5-31-2017.

Fayal Water Company beginning balance 2017 \$52,793.31 Revenues \$34,002.82 Expenditures \$23,759.62. Current cash balance \$59,990.49. Cash flow positive.

Fayal Sewer Company beginning balance 2017 \$223,502.32 Revenues \$228,334.13 Expenditures \$210,063.61. Current cash balance \$253,847.76. Cash flow positive, in four years one of the loans will be paid off and our expenses will go down by \$5 or \$6 per month.

## **CABLE**

Nothing to report.

#### **GAS**

Long Lake Gas Line project- They are making connections.

Miller Trunk project- Nothing to report.

### STREET LIGHTS

Nothing to report.

#### **FYI**

Next PUC meeting will be July 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

 Motion to adjourn the regular meeting made by Chris Erickson, support from Amy Jackson. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Pernu adjourned the regular meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Dickson

Fayal Township Deputy Clerk PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk

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