

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 12, 2016**

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

Audience members in attendance were Town Board Chairman Tony Tamaro.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 14, 2016 made by Erickson, second from Buckley. Motion carried unanimously.**

GUESTS

Town Board Chairman Tamaro nothing at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Delinquency Report as of 6/23/16 \$17,208.76. Tamaro stated we received tax apportionment. Buckley noted it would not be reflected on this report because the amounts were removed when it was certified.

June 2016 Water/Wastewater report was read and placed on file.

June 2016 MN Pump Works service agreement. Total of \$3,110.50 for a total of 30 pumps Tamaro states there is money in the maintenance for the repairs. We should move forward with the maintenance work.

7-10-16 Rcvd St Louis County 2016 1st half tax apportionment \$6,283.79 34 Diff Sewer \$171,456.01 Big Sewer \$4,013.91 Delinquent 10 accounts pd & \$999.98 Certification fee.

OLD BUSINESS

IRRRB Pine Dr Sewer Extension to K & B- Just on the agenda for now.

Park Dr water line survey- Received a couple not many.

Woodline new kiln connection-Senior water/wastewater operator Dickson found no action being taken at Woodline. Nothing has happened.

Senior water/wastewater operator Dale is doing a good job taking care of everything, has a new title.

Julie Olson is wanting to purchase property in Gilbert and inquiring about connecting to Fayal water and sewer on Differding Lane. The question went to the City of Gilbert. Gilbert did give a verbal approval, but they will not do a written approval until she is the property owner. This is on the Town Boards agenda. She came to the Town Board but have not heard from her. Chairman Tamaro stated everything is up front and then she has to pay for all of the connection costs.

Erkilla family assessments- Russell attended the Town Board meeting on July 5, 2016. The PUC should look at moving the assessment to the correct parcel. Chairman Tamaro reported they were more concerned with the taxes. We do need to move the one assessment to get it on the correct property.

- **Motion by Erickson to move the assessment from parcel code 340-0100-00480 to 340-0100-00360 second by Buckley.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

John Shaleen had asked to be on the agenda of the Town Board to remove the water fee that has been on his property since the pipe was installed. He paid the \$200 inspection fee but did not ever have water in his house. So he believed he should not be charged. The Town Board agreed although Mr Shaleen past away before he could attend the meeting. The Town board would like the PUC to remove the back billing so the property could get the water turned on. He had a plumber at his house ready to turn on the water but he has a \$1770.95 bill. Chairman Tamaro states we never pumped one gallon of water to him. He did pay the \$200 connection fee to connect to the water line and he is a Gilbert resident He carried water from Gilbert. Erickson says he has never used any service so we should not charge him.

- **Motion by Buckley to reverse the fees for the Shaleen property in the amount of \$1770.95 second by Erickson.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

Monthly service charges on property's with no buildings and rentals. Erickson wants to know how many people are in this situation. Chairman Tammaro said the Weaver property had 2 services, when they owned both properties. Ask Diane how many properties are affected. Bertucci has a rental and Diane said there is a situation where someone is no longer renting, but paying. Check into the policy to see if it says you can't have it both ways. Do we have a formal classification, Tammaro says it would be the counties classification.

We will check with Diane and continue working on this.

Incident- MN Dept of Health called to notify of a customer who found e-coli in his water sample he drew at his home on O'Laughlin, he complained of being sick. Dale tried to talk to homeowner no response. They told Dale there was nothing he had to do, they were just notifying us. There have been no other reports, possibly bad sample or in his house.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer report as of 6-31-2016 Year to date.

FSC Revenues \$276,858.15, Expenditures \$268,342.88 Cash Bal. \$190,540.64. Erickson explains the cash will go down because we have the \$44,000 PFA 3rd loan that comes from the FSC cash. Cash flow the sewer company is approximately in a break-even status. Clarification from last month our accounting loss is due to depreciation on long-term assets such as the pipes in the ground which are being depreciated over 60 or so years. Depreciation on short and intermediate term assets like pumps are not causing the accounting loss, as we currently have enough cash flow to replace short and intermediate term assets and remain approximately cash-flow neutral.

FWC Revenues \$39,079.26 Expenditures \$27,720.51 Cash Bal. \$51,360.66. The water company is in decent shape as well.

CABLE

Buckley sent Heidi a detailed report of expenditures. They are buying equipment so you can go online and watch video on demand for any of the sports. It costs \$12,000.

GAS

Long Lake Gas Line project- Pam called all easements have been obtained they will be holding 2 open house meetings at the Fayal Town hall tentatively set Tues July 19, 2016 in the evening and Wed July 20, 2016 9:30-10:00 am. They should be starting in the fall.

STREET LIGHTS

Nothing at this time.

National Night Out Tuesday August 2, 2016 6:00-8:00 pm. Tammaro said it was packed last year.

The next Public Utilities Commission meeting will not be held August 9, 2016 due to primary election.

Post the next meeting for Wednesday August 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

- **Motion to adjourn the regular meeting made by Buckley, support from Erickson.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

Chairman Pernu adjourned the regular meeting at 7:32 p.m.

As transcribed by,

Diane Dickson
Fayal Township Deputy Clerk
PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk

Approved 8.10.2016