

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2006 5:00 P.M.
FAYAL TOWN HALL**

Chairman Bertucci called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

A public hearing was held first for Mark Flannigan.

ROLL: Present were Bertucci, Troutwine, Damberg, Campbell, Erjavec & Aultman. Also attending water/wastewater operator Dickson, PUC clerk Stewart.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- **Motion by Troutwine to approve the 7-11-06 regular meeting minutes, second by Campbell.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion by Damberg to approve the 7-31-06 special meeting minutes, second by Aultman.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion by Erjavec to approve the 7-11-06 Hanela variance meeting minutes, second by Troutwine.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

GUESTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Bryce Holcomb Hibbing Public Access TV. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Kaleva Island Luoma- Fayal is awaiting the probate hearing in August 2006.

Gilbert Sewer- Fayal has not heard from Gilbert. Gilbert would like to renew our contract for the water and sewer rates first.

Eveleth water proposal- The Draft copy was written by Kniefel and reviewed line by line.

Campbell questions #8, the PUC explains it would be our responsibility. Aultman feels we should not take over water lines that have constant problems. Dickson explains Eveleth has to have 2 meters installed due to both lines flow both ways to Eveleth. Re: ownership of the water lines. A couple of months ago we met with Wiscow and he brought the proposal of Fayal owning all of the lines in Fayal. Eveleth was not interested at that time.

- **Motion by Troutwine to accept the Draft dated 31 July 2006 counter-proposal for water service from the city of Eveleth as written, second by Damberg.**
- **Motion carried unanimously**

5:35 Troutwine leaves the meeting.

Campbell would like to attach a memo saying we understand Fayal is accepting the liability of the water lines, by accepting ownership of the lines.

NEW BUSINESS

Bertucci read a letter of resignation from Tom Kingston dated August 2, 2006.

Send a letter of appreciation for his service on the PUC from the commissioners.

Dennis Pernu volunteered to fill in Mr. Kingston position.

- **Motion by Bertucci to recommend Dennis Pernu to the Town Board to fill the open position on the PUC commission, second by Aultman.**
- **Motion carried unanimously.**

Campbell notes recycle bins are always full, Schlotec is in charge of the recycling, and why can't we have a cardboard house.

SEWER

Dickson states the new pumps have been ordered for LS-A1. The KSB pumps have been ordered from Quality Flow. They should be in soon. The price includes installation.

LS-N pump went into overload. Braun came to check the pumps. The seals are bad. The pumps have water in them. On the good pump the impeller has a hole in it. Braun will send a quote for the impeller. Maintenance has funds to cover the costs.

Erjavec reports Dan England has been at the Gilbert council meetings stating Fayal has to have a license to have the sewer in Sparta.

6:10 Town Board Supervisor Tamaro arrives.

WATER

Nothing at this time.

TREASURER REPORT

We received the first half of the county tax payments in the amount of \$1,837 three people paid.

CABLE

Nothing at this time.

STREET LIGHTS

Nothing at this time

FYI

Bertucci talked to Ayres and Associates they say there is funding available for sewer cluster systems. They will take a look at Fayal again and get back to Bertucci.

Mike Aro dropped off a letter. They are selling commercial time on the cable channel for \$650 a year.

Sept 12-2006 PUC meeting is canceled due to the Primary Elections that day.

The next PUC meeting will be Oct 10th 2006 @ 7:00 pm Fayal Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Aultman to adjourn, second by Damberg.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Stewart
Town of Fayal
PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk