

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

FEBRUARY 4, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Town Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chairman Tammaro. Present were: Chairman Tammaro, Supervisor Sather, Supervisor Branville and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli. Supervisor Chad arrived at 7:02. Supervisor Ziegler was absent. Chairman Tammaro began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience members in attendance were Gina Brascugli, Deputy Police Chief Jesse Linde and Steve Shykes.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of January 21st, 2020, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Chad arrived at this time.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Fire Chief Steve Shykes brought forward that the Fire Department hired three members in the last six months. They also have two more applications out. ISO audit was completed and rating improved from a 5 to a 4 due to upgraded water tender and additional training. Five is good for a rural department and many cities are not even a four. Chief Shykes also added the grant was approved for \$19,300, which is the same amount that Virginia & Mt. Iron received. The grant will cover training and the remainder for some legal costs.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report-

Bank statements for the month of January have not yet been received so this report is tentative. Revenues were \$80,097.22 and expenditures were \$483,568.65. Tentative ending balances for the month of January are:

Miners Checking- \$1,064,225.64
Assessment Savings- \$109,636.69
CD Savings- \$80,945.43
4M Fund- \$413,373.68

For the month of February to date, revenues are \$1,615.00 and expenditures are \$58,787.93. Clerk Coldagelli also included the final ending balances for the departments. Building & Grounds ended with (\$3,678.96) and PUC ended with (\$2,832.40). The General Fund transferred the appropriate funds to make those whole per Town Board motion. A full report will be provided at the next meeting.

Motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's Report, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Employee Meeting Minutes from January 21st & 27th and February 3rd, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the January Road & Bridge Report, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Utilities Commission Meeting Minutes of December 10th, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Utilities Delinquency Report, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the December Senior Wastewater Operator Report, made by Supervisor Branville, support

from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE-

January 24th- Email from St. Louis County. Local Board of Appeal and Equalization date is set for April 7th from 1:00-2:00 PM at the Fayal Town Hall. Moved to New Business.

January 27th- Email from Range Association Municipalities & Schools. Board Meeting Minutes from November 21st and Annual Meeting Minutes from December 19th. There is also a vacancy on the RAMS Board of Directors due to a resignation. Nominations are being accepted and a selection will be made at the February 27th Board Meeting. Placed on file.

January 28th- Email from Sandra Bruns from Van Iwaarden Associates. Van Iwaarden is taking on a new role with the Minnesota Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement. In this role they will assist the LCPR in reviewing actuarial valuations, assumptions and cost estimates for TRA, PERA and MSRS. They want to ensure that Fayal does have an issue with the potential conflict of interest in representing Fayal as well as the LCPR. Moved to New Business.

January 31st- Letter from Summer Work Outreach Project with a 2019 contribution statement for Fayal, newsletter and request for donations for 2020 summer program. Moved to New Business.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Sather-

Fire Department Shared Services- Committees have received assignments for the next meeting. Discussion regarding different examples of governance models and joint powers boards.

Supervisor Branville-

2021 Levy- Levy looks good and can finalize at the next meeting.

Supervisor Chad-

Old Bullfrogs Building- Continuance was granted. Received quote for demolition and awaiting a second one. Should also request one from Veit Demolition. Once received can be forwarded on to Mr. Carne.

Chairman Tammaro-

MnDOT Relocation- No further update.

Commission Vacancy- Channel 12- Still a vacancy.

Job Descriptions- Supervisor Ziegler is working on.

Clerk/Treasurer Term Correction Ordinance 2002-1- Attorney Scott Neff is preparing the amendment.

NEW BUSINESS

Eveleth Police Squad- Deputy Police Chief Linde informed the Board that the City of Eveleth purchased a new squad car in April of last year, but due to a lack of vehicle production, still have not received it. A few weeks ago one of their squads was sideswiped and totaled. They are now in need of another squad and would like to request assistance for the purchase of another vehicle.

Motion to approve \$15,000 for a replacement squad car from the Capital Equipment Fund for the purchase of an Eveleth Police Car, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. The K9 unit will not be replaced until likely next year and there are fundraising efforts underway to support that purchase. Eveleth will be providing insurance, necessary maintenance and repair costs. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Supervisor Sather brought forward the Fire Department request of \$10,000 from the Mining Effects for the purchase of turnout gear.

Motion to transfer \$10,000 from Mining Effects to the Fire Department, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Yard Waste schedule for 2020 as specified by Equipment Operator Albert Jurenic, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Lift Station Pump- Another pump on one of the lift stations went out. A quote for replacement has not been received yet. Cost estimate will range about \$10,000-\$12,000.

Motion to approve the purchase of a placement pump for the lift station, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Chad. Discussion regarding pump age and failure. Currently putting a list together to have spare parts on hand for repair. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Election Judges- Clerk Coldagelli would like to appoint for the Presidential Primary Election on March 3rd the following judges: Sharon Crep, Amy Brazeros, Eleanor Eck, Robert Mavec, Tracy Salin, Linda Shykes, Debbie Tamaro and Katherine Erjavec. Clerk Coldagelli will also assist during the election. Clerk recommendation is \$13/hour and \$15/hour for head judge. The election is quite a bit of work and the State is reimbursing costs. Clerk Coldagelli also provides meals and snacks to the judges during the day.

Motion to approve the Clerk's recommendation, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Chad. Chairman Tamaro abstained. Motion carried.

Mediacom Cable Franchise Agreement- The PUC approved at their January 11th meeting to extend the Mediacom contract.

Motion to follow the PUC recommendation and approve and extend the Mediacom contract, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to cancel the Regular Town Board Meeting scheduled for April 7th due to the Board of Review scheduled on the same day, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to continue utilizing Van Iwaarden for actuarial services, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to transfer \$19,331.86 from Checking to the 4M Fund for the Employee Benefit CD, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to transfer the \$18,000 Road & Bridge Truck Replacement Fund from Checking to the 4M Fund, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to transfer the \$4,330.80 Fayal Water Company Depreciation from Checking to the 4M Fund, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to transfer the \$25,326.08 Fayal Sewer Company Depreciation and PUC Truck Depreciation from Checking to the 4M Fund, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tamaro mentioned that the funds in the Assessment Savings are available for use now that the loans are paid off.

Motion to donate to the Summer Work Outreach Program in the amount of \$1,200.00 from the General Fund, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Children ages 11-14 are eligible to apply and Fayal donated \$1,000 last year. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$74,060.20 made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tamaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi M. Coldagelli

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Approved: *Chad Tamaro*
Chair

Date: 2-18-20

Attest: *Heidi M. Coldagelli*
Clerk