

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**JANUARY 5, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Town Board of Supervisors was called to order immediately following the Reorganization Meeting at 7:11 PM by Chairman Tammaro. Present were: Chairman Tammaro, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Chad, Supervisor Sather, Supervisor Ziegler and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli.

Audience members in attendance were Matt Hoffmann, Matt Reid and Steve Shykes.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.***

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**- None at this time.

**AUDIENCE CONCERNS**- Matt Reid was present to discuss the Horseshoe Lake sanitary sewer extension. The only item remaining is the conductivity testing for the tracer wire. In reviewing the televising, Mr. Reid had concerns as the video indicated a slight sagging and sitting water in areas of the pipe. One of the new manholes also has an estimated two inches of standing water. The manhole settling is Mr. Reid's largest concern. With very few service lines and the lack of a .4% grade, there is potential for not enough flow which could require an annual cleaning. Mr. Reid will discuss with Jola & Sopp for correction.

**REPORTS**-

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report**-

Bank statements for the month of December have not yet been received so this report is tentative. Revenues were \$396,151.89 and expenditures were \$255,300.69. Tentative ending balances for the month of December are:

Miners Checking- \$1,151,446.19  
Assessment Savings- \$406,572.82  
CD Savings- \$83,968.39  
4M Fund- \$473,146.60

For the month of January to date, revenues are \$0 and expenditures are \$151,882.11.

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

**Other Reports**-

***Motion to accept the Public Access Television Meeting Minutes from December 15<sup>th</sup>, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the December Road & Bridge Report, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

**CORRESPONDENCE**-

December 18<sup>th</sup>- Letter from Benchmark Engineering expressing interest in working with Fayal. Placed on file.

December 22<sup>nd</sup>- Email from Steve Giorgi from RAMS with information regarding various trail grant opportunities. Shared with Planning Committee. Supervisor Ziegler suggested speaking to the Quad Cities ATV Club for an access through the Township from the campground.

December 28<sup>th</sup>- Letter from Minnesota Pollution Control Agency with notice of hearing in regards to proposed amendments to rules governing water quality standards. The MPCA will hold a virtual public hearing on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. Send to Collection Systems Operator.

January 4<sup>th</sup> - Letter from Mark St. Lawrence from St. Louis County Environmental Services Department requesting the Township to post notice that, "citizens are encouraged to call St. Louis County Environmental Services main phone line: 218-749-9703 or 1-800-450-9278 before visiting any sites as the message is updated daily to alert citizens of any site closings." Will post on the posting boards and the Town website.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Supervisor Sather-**

**Fire Department Shared Services-** Next meeting is scheduled for Monday and the Joint Powers subcommittee meets on Thursday.

**Employee Hours Proposal-** Have not received a request from the Union.

#### **Supervisor Branville-**

##### **2022 Levy-**

**Motion to present the 2022 Levy proposal at the annual meeting for an increase of 6.57%, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Commission Vacancies- Channel 12-** No interested parties.

**COVID-19 Update-** Clerk Coldagelli updated the COVID policy to include masks and can approve at the next meeting.

Chief Shykes informed the Board that first responders have received the first round of vaccinations.

#### **Supervisor Chad-**

**Old Bullfrogs Building-** Have not received an update.

#### **Supervisor Ziegler-**

**Dump Truck Specifications-** Supervisor Ziegler will work with the Road & Bridge Foreman.

**Sewer & Water Access Charges Verbiage-** The Public Utilities Commission is reviewing.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Quote for Telephone/Internet-** Clerk Coldagelli was working on extending Wi-Fi in the building. Roger's Online recommended working with CTC for those services and received a quote for telephone and internet/Wi-Fi options. Will also request a quote from Mediacom for telephone. Discussion regarding obtaining a Wi-Fi extender and Clerk Coldagelli will look into it.

**Annual Meeting Format-** Will need to look into a Zoom or phone format in addition to in person.

**Nonaudit/Nonattest Form-** Clerk Coldagelli read the nonaudit services that Walker, Giroux & Hahne performs.

**Motion to designate Clerk Coldagelli to be responsible and accountable for overseeing the nonaudit/nonattest services, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Employee Benefit CD Contributions-** Clerk Coldagelli prepared projections through 2028. Recommendation by the Clerk is to maintain current contribution levels of \$40,000 until 2024 or 2025, which then contributions could be drastically reduced. For informational purposes, table for now.

**Data Practices Policies-** Clerk Coldagelli drafted a number of policies in regards to data practices for review. Need to complete a data inventory list and the Town Board can adopt at next meeting.

#### **4M Fund Transfer-**

**Motion to transfer \$473,146.60 from the 4M account to the CD Savings account at Miners Bank, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Ziegler.** The 4M Fund is currently paying .02% and the bank savings is paying .15%. **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **2017 Road Project/Parking Lot Payment-**

**Motion to pay the claim to Miner's Bank for \$65,943.98, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather.** The school excess levy reimbursement will be used to fund the Building & Grounds portion of the payment for the next two years. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion to transfer the excess school levy dollars to reimburse Building & Grounds for the parking lot payment,**

*made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$168,024.26, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.*

Discussion regarding a fire pit at the rink. Supervisor Sather will continuing looking for one.

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Heidi Coldagelli*

Heidi M. Coldagelli

Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved: *[Signature]*  
Chair

Date: 1-19-21

Attest: *Heidi Coldagelli*  
Clerk