

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

APRIL 20, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Town Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Tammaro. Present were: Chairman Tammaro, Supervisor Sather, Supervisor Ziegler and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli. Supervisor Chad arrived at 7:11 PM. Supervisor Branville was absent. Chairman Tammaro led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience members in attendance were Gina Brascugli, Pat Brascugli, Terry Edwards and Cathy Zelinski.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of April 6th, 2021, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Chairman Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Cathy Zelinski and Terry Edwards brought forward a request to build a private cemetery. The Zelinski family has been working with a surveyor to establish the private cemetery on her parcel located between St. Mary's Court and Miller Trunk Road.

Gina Brascugli questioned the status of televised meetings. Chairman Tammaro responded that due to cost and lack of interest, the Town Board had opted not to proceed with that option.

Mrs. Zelinski's request was readdressed. Clerk Coldagelli informed the Board and Mrs. Zelinski that she had spoken with a representative from St. Louis County and the County has no statutory authority regarding approval for private cemeteries, nor is it addressed in their County ordinances. Clerk Coldagelli spoke with an attorney from the Minnesota Association of Townships that was well versed in Townships and public and private cemetery authority. Due to the Township at this time not having an ordinance established regarding private cemeteries and deceased individuals, the Township is unable to approve or deny the request. State statute gives property owners authority to plat and record private cemeteries.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report-

For the month of April to date, revenues are \$27,309.88 and expenditures are \$132,929.74. Current balances for the month of April are:

Miners Checking- \$829,054.66

Assessment Savings- \$413,916.47

CD Savings- \$557,303.04

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

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Fire Department Business Meeting Minutes from March 10th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Joint Powers Rec Board Meeting Minutes from April 14th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Access Television Meeting Minutes from April 14th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. On behalf of the Public Access Commission, Chairman Tammaro has the 2022 budget request of \$42,000 to present and will move the item to New Business. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Motion to accept the Fire Department Shared Services Committee Meeting Minutes from February 8th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Utility Commission Meeting Minutes from March 16th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion to accept the March PUC Report, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE-

April 19th- Fax from the City of Eveleth. The aqueduct between St. Mary's and Ely Lake was closed on 4/15. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Sather-

Fire Department Shared Services- The Committee reviewed the JPA and sent to an attorney for review. Taconite Ridge Fire District was chosen by the Committee as the new name. Checking with the attorney regarding the use of the term "district."

Employee Hours Proposal- Equipment Operator Jurenic may provide an additional request regarding hours of work.

Old Bullfrogs Building- Had to withdraw the blight case and unable to prosecute as an LLC. Discussion regarding tax forfeit status and St. Louis County's procedure.

Supervisor Chad arrived at this time.

Commission Vacancies- Channel 12- Chairman Tammaro will fill the position.

Horseshoe Lake Sanitary Sewer Extension- Final bills have been received from SEH and awaiting turf restoration and the final bill from Jola & Sopp.

Sewer & Water Access Charges Verbiage- PUC Chairman Greg Buckley is going to contact Clerk Coldagelli to work on the language.

Chairman Tammaro-

MnDOT Relocation- In speaking with a MnDOT representative, it was confirmed that MnDOT is remaining at the Virginia site.

Gilbert Water Treatment Upgrades- Chairman Tammaro discussed that Gilbert is looking at completing a waterline loop and constructing a new water treatment plant. An electronic meter would be located inside their treatment plant. An agreement needs to be established for the cities involved regarding billing and water usage.

Supervisor Chad-

2020 Local Road Improvement Program- Should receive notification in another month or two.

Supervisor Chad brought forward the condition on Thunderbird Trail where the pavement had been removed. The Road & Bridge Department has been made aware of the situation and working to repair.

COVID-19 Update- No updates at this time.

Recap Annual Meeting- One citizen request of shade at the playground was missed from the last meeting. Clerk Coldagelli had looked initially at shade options that started at \$3,500. She will work with Supervisor Branville and research other options available. The construction of a gazebo would also help.

Dump Truck Specifications- Received a final quote from Mid-State. Chairman Tammaro and Clerk Coldagelli support financing with a lease for the purchase as the grader will be paid off in September. Discussion regarding placing the dump truck up for auction versus accepting the \$6,000 for trade in. Discussion that its important to have a stainless steel box in order to avoid rust issues.

Motion to purchase the dump truck for \$184,136.86, less the trade in, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Ziegler. Can either trade-in or sell the other dump truck. Could have another Do-Bid auction. Clerk Coldagelli will draft a resolution for the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Channel 12 Budget-

Motion to approve Channel 12's budget of \$42,000.00, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Sather. Clerk Coldagelli will discuss with the City of Gilbert regarding rejoining the Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$35,844.64, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved: _____

Phil Romano
Chair

Date: _____

5-4-21

Attest: _____

Heidi M. Coldagelli
Clerk