

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

FAYAL TOWN HALL

May 11, 2021

The regular meeting of the Fayal Public Utilities Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Amy Jackson. Present were Commissioners: Amy Jackson, Ed Vest, Chris Erickson. Gina Brascugli, Greg Buckley and recording secretary Diane Dickson were absent. Also, present Town Board Chairman Tony Tammaro.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the regular PUC meeting minutes of April 13, 2021 made by Ed Vest, second by Chris Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.**

GUESTS

Chairman Tony Tammaro nothing at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Delinquency Reports as of 4-23-2021 \$13,159.83. Heidi said we received a bunch of payments that were on the delinquency report, placed on file

April Water Wastewater Report. Ed said his son heard the siren at LS-G but they didn't know who to call. He would like the emergency number to be on the bill. Jason did arrive due to a fireman called him. Tony reported the problem was not the call out system it was due to operator error.

OLD BUSINESS

GIS SEH~ discrepancies will be dealt with in the Spring.

*Access to Availability Ord 98-1 & 98-2~*Amy, Greg and Diane will be working on this to update wording from *Access to Availability and SAC Resolution 2018-13 & 2000-14- Twin homes 98-2.* Amy will talk with Greg to get something scheduled.

MN Pump Works for Lift Station A-1 ~ Replace one pump and also 2 base elbows. \$25,866. Still waiting for the pump.

Rates~ Water Co. is declining. Chris reports our expenses are exceeding our revenues. He has two ideas, one is to raise the rates, the second is a little creative. The Sewer Co is ten times bigger than the Water Co. and the wages are split between the two companies. Maybe look at the reality of it is not 2/3 & 1/3 and maybe 80/20. Then we would be in balance and we wouldn't have to raise the rates on the water customers. Reallocating the wages to say straight 80-20. Ed asks if he is spending more time on sewer than water. Tony said Rick has been spending lots of time in the water dept. due to locating the curb stops but that will be a onetime event. The Billing Clerk is split out between the Sewer, Water and General. Chris is wondering if Rick is tracking his work hours. Tony says they are supposed to be tracking and charging accordingly. Amy said we should ask Heidi for the payroll allocations. Chris is wondering if it is a requirement to track it? Tony says no we could do it any way we want. Chris would like to do a general billing and not a detailed and just say it's a straight 80/20 percent. Chris states we cannot ignore this anymore it is heading in the wrong direction; he will talk to Heidi. Tony is wondering about a tier system; Chris states the more you use the more you pay.

NEW BUSINESS

Tony states we will have \$220k coming from the new Cares Act funding and we may be able to use it for the water and sewer co. half comes in June or July and the other half next year. We are waiting for the regulations on spending it.

There should be an estimate for the next phase of line cleaning. Heidi sent it out late for the PUC approval. Ed researched to find what the timing is to clean again. He did find something that said every 15 years. This bid is for \$7,000 less than last year's bid, possibly the footage. Reviewed the bids:

- Great Lakes Pipe Service, Inc. Sewer cleaning and video inspection. \$42,807.54.
- Aquapower Sewer cleaning and video mainlines. Dump costs if any will be billed separately. \$43,531.99.

Ed reports the last time his neighbor had some gurgling and squirting under the house. Tony said the last time there were a couple of houses that had some venting issues and we need to notify the customers ahead of time to keep the toilets shut. We need to send out a notice letter to the customers prior to them cleaning in their area as a courtesy. Ed found and reviewed a big study from out East and their recommendation is every 15 years to clean and televise. This is the first time they have ever been done and it's been 20 years. It is a public bid and we will go with the low bid, the Town was sued when we went with a higher bid in the past.

- **Motion by Ed Vest to recommend the Town Board accept the low bid from Great Lakes Pipe Service, Inc. for a total of \$42,807.54, second by Chris Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.**

TREASURER REPORT

Clerk Coldagelli provided the financial report as of 4-30-2021 Year to date. Chris Erickson noted he will be talking to Heidi regarding the allocation of the peoples expense and if we can look at a more progressive rate system. The water company is in the red cashflow wise. The sewer co. has a small glitch in it due to the \$91k has not come back yet from IRRRB and we raised the rates so the sewer company should be ok for now.

FWC Beginning balance 2021 \$38,907.11 Revenues \$25,065.43 Expenditures \$33,550.28.

Cash balance \$29,103.75. Depreciation CD bal. \$101,154.48.

FSC Beginning balance 2021 \$93,291.30 Revenues \$269,154.64 Expenditures \$313,448.16.

Cash balance \$42,120.40. Depreciation CD \$268,372.14 (\$874.25 2020 int.) PUC Truck Depreciation CD \$30,318.31 (\$89.21 2020 int.) Assessment Savings Balance \$413,916.47.

PUC Beginning balance 2021 \$15.85 Revenues \$2,511.04 Expenditures \$2,623.53 Cash bal. \$-96.64.

CABLE

Nothing at this time.

STREET LIGHTS

Nothing at this time.

FYI

Next PUC meeting will be Tuesday June 8th, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Chris Erickson, second by Ed Vest.

Vice Chairman Amy Jackson adjourned the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Dickson

Fayal Township Deputy Clerk

PUC Coordinator/Billing Clerk

Approved 6.8.2021

