

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
**4375 SHADY LANE, EVELETH, MN 55734**

*Heidi M. Coldagelli, Clerk/Treasurer*

*Anthony Tammaro, Chairman*

*Supervisors: Lee Branville, Mark Chad, Richard Sather, Patrick Ziegler*

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**JUNE 15, 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 Branville, Supervisor Chad, Supervisor Sather and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli. Supervisor Ziegler was absent. Chairman Tammaro led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience member in attendance was Steve Shykes.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Chad. Supervisor Sather abstained. Motion carried.***

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

**AUDIENCE CONCERNS**- None at this time.

**REPORTS**-

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report**-

Bank statements for the month of May have been received and all accounts reconciled. Revenues were \$72,786.71 and expenditures were \$113,414.06. Ending balances for the month of May are:

Miners Checking- \$673,582.70

Assessment Savings- \$413,916.47

CD Savings- \$699,488.28

For the month of June to date, revenues are \$21,487.11 and expenditures are \$99,276.25.

***Motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's Report, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather.*** Discussion regarding the Assessment Savings and interest rates. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

**Other Reports**-

***Motion to accept the Eveleth-Fayal-Gilbert Joint Powers Rec Board Meeting Minutes from June 9<sup>th</sup>, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Fayal Fire Department Business Meeting Minutes from May 5<sup>th</sup>, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Public Access Television Meeting Minutes from June 2<sup>nd</sup>, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.***

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

***Motion to accept the Fayal Planning Committee Meeting Minutes from April 21<sup>st</sup>, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Public Utility Commission Meeting Minutes from May 11<sup>th</sup>, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Chairman Tammaro. Motion carried unanimously.***

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

***Motion to accept the PUC Monthly Report for May, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the Fire Department Shared Services Committee Meeting Minutes from May 10<sup>th</sup>, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

## **CORRESPONDENCE-**

May 20<sup>th</sup>- Email from Corey Boyer with the 4M Fund regarding funds received under the American Rescue Plan. 4M Fund participants are able to establish separate sub-accounts to easily segregate funds for reporting purposes. Placed on file.

May 20<sup>th</sup>- Letter from the City of Gilbert regarding the completion of the wellhead protection planning process and the MN Department of Health has approved the submitted plan. Shared with the PUC.

May 20<sup>th</sup>- Letter from the City of Eveleth thanking the Fayal Board Members for the \$100.00 donation towards the Eveleth City-Wide Rummage Sale expenses. Placed on file.

May 24<sup>th</sup>- Letter from MN Rural Water with information regarding ServLine, an affinity partner of MN Rural Water Association. ServLine offers a Leak Protection Program to protect a utility customer from the expense of a high water bill due to a leak and delivers a seamless claims experience. Share with Foreman Latvaaho and PUC employee Bieganek.

May 25<sup>th</sup>- Letter from St. Louis County Association of Townships with Annual Meeting notice and agenda for May 26<sup>th</sup> and St. Louis County Association of Townships Annual Meeting Minutes from December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Also included was St. Louis County Association of Township Officers By-laws. Placed on file.

June 2<sup>nd</sup>- Email from Teresa Hirsch from St. Louis County with results of the calcium chloride dust control bid for 2021. Forwarded on to Road & Bridge.

June 3<sup>rd</sup>- Email from MN State Demographic Center. The 2020 Federal Census results are delayed at this time due to COVID. Placed on file.

June 8<sup>th</sup>- Letter from Lake Country Power with Notice of Capital Credit Allocation. Total Capital Credit Allocation is \$347.09. Un-retired capital credits to date are \$7,357.67. Placed on file.

June 10<sup>th</sup>- Fax from the City of Eveleth. The aqueduct between St. Marys Lake and Ely Lake will open on June 10<sup>th</sup> due to St. Mary's Lake levels. Placed on file.

June 14<sup>th</sup>- Email from Range Association of Municipalities and Schools with Board Meeting Minutes from April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Placed on file.

June 14<sup>th</sup>- Letter from FHLB Des Moines with notice of Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit issued on behalf of Miners National Bank. Placed on file.

June 14<sup>th</sup>- Email from Nancy Nilsen, St. Louis County Auditor with notice of vacancy for the Community Development Block Grant Citizen Advisory Committee. Interested persons should submit an application no later than July 30<sup>th</sup> to St. Louis County. Placed on file.

A response was also received from the DNR for the complaint regarding wake boats. The Township would have to enact local water use restrictions as the legislation did not move forward. Placed on file.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Supervisor Sather-**

**Fire Department Shared Services-** The Committee met last night. The Committee received a copy of the agreement from the attorney, but did not have ample time for review. Chief Shykes will now oversee the tri-department training. Training engagement and dedication from some of the department members is lacking.

**COVID-19 Update-** No further updates at this time.

**Sewer & Water Access Charges Verbiage-** The PUC is working on the language.

**2020 Local Road Improvement Program-** Both applications were not selected, but will continue to apply for future opportunities.

**Gilbert Water Treatment Upgrades-** Awaiting an agreement from Gilbert.

**American Rescue Plan-** Funds have been released to the State of Minnesota, but have not been allocated to the towns and cities yet. The State has 60 days to allocate.

**Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-06, A Resolution to Accept the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Established Under the American Rescue Plan Act, as written, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Old Bullfrogs Building-** Discussion. More garbage appears to be accumulating. The owner has been notified that

the Township is not interested in purchasing.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Sather brought forward a resignation from the Fire Department.

***Motion to accept the resignation of Tim Coates from the Fire Department, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Engineering for Ballfield Water/Sewer Extension**- Would like SEH to provide an estimate to run services down to the Ballfield and should be able to utilize the American Rescue Plan funds for the extension costs. SEH has previously prepared a conceptual drawing of a multipurpose building that included room for concessions, restrooms and storage. Will need an estimate for engineering costs. Discussion regarding adding engineering for the construction of a gazebo at the Town Hall. Dirt work is needed to level out the site.

***Motion for SEH to provide engineering services at the ballfield for water/sewer services and a gazebo at the Town Hall, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

**Insurance Liability Coverage**- Insurance renewal is due in August.

***Motion to not waive monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by MN Statute §466.04, made by Chairman Tammaro, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Tammaro informed the Board that before the new welder can be used some electrical work needs to be completed and Lanyk Electric can complete the work.

***Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$108,108.20, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to adjourn, made by Supervisor Sather.***

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Heidi M. Coldagelli*

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Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved: *Andy J. Russo*  
Chair

Date: 7-20-21

Attest: *Heidi M. Coldagelli*  
Clerk