

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

APRIL 2, 2024

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, Supervisor Ziegler and Clerk/Treasurer Coldagelli. Chairman Tammaro led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of March 19th, 2024, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Chairman Tammaro. Supervisors Branville and Sather abstained as they were absent. Motion carried.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Gina Brascugli questioned needing approval for her request for a refund of an overpayment on her utility bill. Clerk Coldagelli clarified that the claim is already in the bills for approval.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- Bank statements for the month of March have been received and all accounts reconciled. For the month of March, revenues were \$69,506.99 and expenditures were \$139,378.55. Ending balances for the month of March were:

Miners Checking- \$510,571.63

Assessment Savings- \$180.63

CD Savings- \$6,028.49

4M Fund- \$1,553,308.01

For the month of April to date, revenues are \$5,637.07 and expenditures are \$83,919.09.

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

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Planning Commission meeting minutes from February 21st, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE-

March 25th- Letter from North St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District with letter sent to Ely Lake residents with information regarding aquatic invasive species issues facing the lake. Placed on file.

March 27th- Email from St. Louis County Planning and Zoning Department with notice of public hearing for a variance application from Bradley Hejda is scheduled for April 11th at 10:30 AM. Forwarded to the Planning Commission.

March 28th- Email from St. Louis County Association of Townships with meeting minutes from February 28th. Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Tammaro-

St. Mary's Lake Development Grant- Brad Scott requested that the sewer line be marked, but no additional discussion regarding the grant application.

Local Road Improvement Grant- Clerk Coldagelli received notice that both applications were turned down.

Ballfield Scoreboard/Power Grant- Clerk Coldagelli applied for a grant through the Eveleth Community

Foundation and should hear a response in possibly May or June. Foreman Jason Latvaaho is working with a contractor for relocation of the scoreboard. Discussion regarding moving the scoreboard ourselves.

Yard Waste Dates- Spring dates are April 20th, 21st, 27th and 28th and May 4th and 5th. Subject to change for weather and possible additional dates added.

Differding Point Waterline- Clerk Coldagelli is still waiting for confirmation, but tentative scheduled date for a joint meeting with Gilbert Utilities is April 16th at 6:00 PM.

Fire Department Projects- Fire Chief Steve Shykes reported that the Tender is back from the apparatus dealer. Assistant Chief Matt Hoffmann reported on the Engine 2 rechassis project. He had confirmed with the builder that there is no money down until the truck is received which is 18-24 months. Regarding the chassis, there was a fluctuation in price. If the Town does not commit to the 2025 body style, there will be a 12% increase. Assistant Chief Hoffmann confirmed that the price is locked in when the contract is signed. There is \$1,000.00 down required from International and there is ninety-days prior to the build date that changes could be made. If it was decided that Fayal was no longer interested in pursuing the chassis project, that \$1,000.00 could be utilized for another project, such as a dump truck, or could be transferred to another entity to secure a place in "line." Chairman Tammaro shared a spreadsheet that Clerk Coldagelli prepared with current obligations for the Township as well as items that are needed by other departments. Assistant Chief Hoffmann brought forward that the Fire Department had discussed that they would cover the difference of the loan payment within the Department. Discussion regarding the ability to not proceed with the project if its determined that the funds are not there and securing a commitment. Assistant Chief Hoffmann shared that the estimated yearly payment is \$26,000.00 for ten years. There would be three years of overlap with the current water tender loan. A commitment would secure the price. Chairman Tammaro questioned if mutual aid is an option? Assistant Chief Hoffmann responded that is a possibility, but not sure what effect it would have on ISO ratings.

Motion to get in line for \$1,000.00 as long as the Town can get out if there is an issue with funding, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Roger's Online Estimate- Estimate for \$1,183.81 for a firewall and replacement of the wireless AP.

Motion to approve the Roger's Online expense of \$1,183.81, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

2023 Audit- The audit has been completed. Notation of the usual items for lack of controls and segregation of duties due to a limited number of employees.

Motion to approve the Walker, Giroux & Hahne 2023 audit, made by Supervisor Ziegler, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$84,410.09, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tammaro questioned if the rechassis project doesn't come in 2025, would it be a 2026? Assistant Chief Hoffmann responded that its a good possibility it would be a 2026, but it gets the Department in before the body style changes and the engine series change.

Clerk Coldagelli brought forward a reminder that the Public Utilities Commission will meet prior to the next Town Board meeting at 6:00 PM regarding the Differding Point waterline and she will post for a possible quorum.

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

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Approved: *Anty J. [Signature]*
Chair

Date: 4-16-24

Attest: *Heidi M. Coldagelli*
Clerk