

TOWN OF FAYAL
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD

OCTOBER 15, 2024

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

Audience members in attendance were Mike Erjavec, Jamie Lindseth and Steve Shykes.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of October 1st, 2024, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- Jamie Lindseth was present to discuss health insurance options as Healthpartners insurance is being discontinued in Minnesota. Requested a quote from Northeast Service Coop per a request from the Union, but have not received a response regarding an exception request due to the number of employees. Received a quote from Blue Cross Blue Shield for \$7,121.41 per month. Deductible would go up slightly to \$4,600 single and \$9,200 family. Currently the Township contributes \$3,500 for single and \$7,000 family. Discussion regarding other cities contributions. Will wait until the Coop responds before proceeding.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS- Fire Chief Steve Shykes updated the Board that four of the five banners advertising hiring are up. Chief Shykes also brought forward that the Department would like to discuss a pay increase and can support an increase with their budget. They had thought that the rink attendants are receiving \$15.00 per hour and they should receive at least the same. Any increase wouldn't take effect until January 1. The Board will take that under consideration and will add to the agenda.

REPORTS-

Clerk/Treasurer's Report- Bank statements for the month of September have been received and all accounts reconciled. Revenues were \$68,437.09 and expenditures were \$138,916.39. Ending balances for the month of September were:

Miners Checking- \$485,137.40
Assessment Savings- \$115.65
CD Savings- \$70.69
4M Fund- \$1,761,275.90

For the month of October to date, revenues are \$38,202.15 and expenditures are \$89,588.33.

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

Other Reports-

Motion to accept the Fire Department report for September, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Access Television meeting minutes from October 9th, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Chairman Tamaro. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Road and Bridge report for September, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Sather. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to accept the Public Utility meeting minutes from September 10th, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion to accept the August/September Wastewater Operator report, made by Supervisor Sather, support

from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE-

October 4th- Letter from Minnesota Association of Townships with clerk and treasurer training dates available in November in St. Michael, MN. Placed on file.

October 15th- Letter from Northeast Service Cooperative with changes to 2025 dental premiums. Effective January 1st, single premiums will increase to \$54.00 (increase of \$8.00) and family to \$125.00 (increase of \$10.00). Placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Tamaro-

St. Mary's Lake Development Grant- Clerk Coldagelli informed the Developer and his Engineer what was still needed in order to submit an application to the IRRRB.

Differding Point Waterline- No response from Gilbert yet.

Fire Department Rechassis Project- The Town Board suggested someone new take over the project in order to get the project moving. Discussion regarding Fire Department call attendance and pension benefits.

Electronic Water Meters- The Public Utilities Commission tasked Clerk Coldagelli with drafting a letter to the water customers seeking their desire to proceed purchasing meters if the bill were to increase \$2.00 per month. Discussion regarding water usage of residents and accurate readings. Discussion regarding Fire Department usage and tracking Town Hall usage.

Tennis Court Crack Sealing- The IRRRB responded that the grant cycle has ended and Clerk Coldagelli can apply next year. One quote is acceptable as long as it is documented what other companies were contacted and that no response was received.

Employee Contracts- A proposal is forthcoming to the Committee.

Lift Station A-1- FEMA will inspect the lift station and also the impacted roads on Friday.

2026 Levy- Preliminary proposal is an 8.79% increase. Chairman Tamaro is a little concerned with the Fire Department wage increase request. Have plenty of time for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

Commission Appreciation- In the past, have given the seven commission members a \$50.00 gift card to SuperOne. A few years ago also gave \$200.00 to the Garden Club.

Motion to give the monies discussed to those individuals, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Chad. Chairman Tamaro clarified that it was \$50.00 gift cards to SuperOne and \$200.00 to the Garden Club.
Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Department Airpack Payment- \$17,547.99- Payment is due from Mining Effects to the Assessment Savings and Clerk Coldagelli would like to transfer those funds to the 4M fund.

Motion to pay the airpack payment of \$17,547.99 from Mining Effects, made by Supervisor Sather, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.

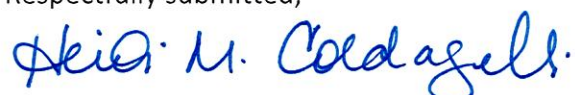
Motion to transfer the \$17,547.99 from the Assessment Savings to the 4M Fund, made by Chairman Tamaro, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Tamaro suggested that Foreman Jason Latvaaho look at the next road project as the road project will be paid in 2027. Also can Foreman Latvaaho check with Ulland or another company if there is any more material in the pit for crushing.

Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$35,817.02, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Heidi M. Coldagelli

Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved: Andy J. Panno Date: 11-19-24
Chair

Attest: Heidi M. Coldagell
Clerk