PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

FAYAL TOWN HALL October 8th, 2024

The regular meeting of the Fayal Public Utilities Commission was called to order at 6:03 PM by Chairman Ed Vest. Members present were Commissioners Eugene O'Brien, Chris Erickson, Ed Vest, Dave Hamalainen and Tony Tammaro. Members absent were Amy Jackson and Terry Hiti.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Motion to approve the Regular PUC Meeting Minutes of September 10th, 2024, made by Chairman Vest and supported by Commissioner O'Brien. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED GUESTS- None at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Delinquency Reports – Vest commented it looks smaller, Tammaro explained how we sent the past due balances to be certified with the county.

<u>August/September Water/Wastewater Report</u> —Discussion on Rick running the generator all night for Mn Power outage. O'Brien also added that he was able to witness Rick in using the camera and adjusting manholes out on Long Lake Shores and appreciated the lesson.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>St. Mary's Lake Development</u> – When ownership is taken over is when the sewer access charge is due. <u>Differding Point Waterline Increase/Ownership Transfer</u> – Waiting on Gilbert. Tammaro and Coldagelli met with Interim Clerk, nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Self-Read Water Meters/Grant And Purchasing-</u> Much discussion on the finance side of it. Hamalainen and O'Brien commented that if a resident cannot read their meter than a Fayal employee will have to go and read it every 3 months or so.

Erickson suggested we ask the water customers opinion on the self-read meters and if they are willing to pay a minimum of \$2.00 extra a month on their water bill to purchase them. IRRR will pay the other half. This would be an increase in service charge, not the water usage. O'Brien asked how many years do meters last?

 Motion was made by Commissioner Erickson and supported by Vest, for Clerk Coldagelli to type up a survey to Fayal's water customers and send with the next billing. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorded lien on Parcel # 340-0087-00460- The State prohibits filing a lien once the property is in the State's name.

Zeigler's property- Question is on sewer availability charge. Much discussion was made on this and Vest states if the line is to stay hooked up, this charge needs to be paid, otherwise unhook the line. He may apply for a variance to the Town Board.

Treasurer's Report – N/A

• Motion to approve the September Treasurer's Report was not made due to not having the documents and will be addressed at the next meeting.

Next PUC meeting to be held on Nov. 12th, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

• Motion to adjourn, made by Chairman Vest and supported by Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Ed Vest adjourned meeting at 6:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Approved N. D. D. 2024

Jenez Hiti

Deputy Clerk/PUC Billing Coordinator