

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

FAYAL TOWN HALL

MAY 13th, 2025

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 Dave Hamalainen, Eugene O'Brien, Ed Vest, Amy Jackson, and Secretary Terry Hiti. Member absent was Commissioner Chris Erickson. Guests were Town Board Supervisor Mike Erjavec and Town Board Chairman Tony Tammaro.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to approve the Regular PUC Meeting Minutes of April 9th, 2025, made by Commissioner Eugene O'Brien and supported by Amy Jackson. Motion carried unanimously.**

GUESTS- N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

Delinquency Report – Tammaro inquired about the 10% penalty charge and when that applies?

April Water/Wastewater Report – O'Brien was pleased to see no call-outs in April. O'Brien inquired if the amount of flowage is on the bill from Gilbert, and can they see it?

OLD BUSINESS

- Eveleth/Fayal Channel 12** – O'Brien would like to recommend to the Town Board that moving forward Fayal does not send any more money to Channel 12. Chairman Vest asked if we heard any response from the letter Clerk Coldagelli sent to Cable 12, City of Eveleth, and Rock Ridge School?
 - **Motion to approve the recommendation to the Town Board to retain any funds from Mediacom from this day forward, to not be paid out and to remain in the public utility fund, made by Commissioner O'Brien and supported by Commissioner Hamalainen.**
- Sewer Rate Change** – Researching other townships and their policy on certification fees, Fayal does remain higher than most other townships in the area.
- Pat Ziegler Sewer line** – The letter sent to Pat Ziegler gives him 45 days to rectify this situation by either paying the assessment & additional service line, applying for a variance, or unhooking this sewer line from the garage.
- Sump Pump Letter**-Chairman Vest informed the committee that this survey is to find out how much I&I that Fayal pays to Gilbert, that could be avoided. We have received some surveys, a few pictures and Chairman Vest said if needed, we will send Fayal workers out to do individual home inspections. Running your sump pump line into the sewer line is illegal. If any Fayal residents have this going on, they need to remedy the situation. Vest went on to say if you put dye in your sump pump line and it comes out to the sewer line then it needs to be corrected.

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time

Tammaro did say he spoke to Road & Bridge and asked what projects that they have for this summer, and was told they will be doing the main sewer lines in house, as to save Fayal the cost of contracting it out.

TREASURER REPORT

FWC April: *Beginning Balance \$36,697.64, Revenues \$6,567.66. Expenditures \$6,127.24 ending Cash Balance of \$36,578.06. Depreciation not in 4M \$1,608.74.*

FSC April: *Beginning Balance \$158,033.54 Revenues \$69,619.09 Expenditures \$60,655.26 Ending Cash Balance of \$225,241.62 Depreciation 4M \$213,132.10 PUC Truck Depreciation 4M \$39,523.09 Assessment Savings 4M \$340,124.65, Sewer Access Charges 4M \$80,330.00, Maintenance Contingency 4M \$43,263.74, and Sewer Company 4M \$155,848.16*

PUC April: *Beginning Balance \$-83.27, Revenues \$2,535.18 Expenditures \$45.09, Ending Balance \$4,932.84.*

- **Motion to table the approval of the Treasurers report until Treasurer Chris Erickson is present, made by Chairman O'Brien and supported by Commissioner Jackson. Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Motion to adjourn, made by Commissioner O'Brien and supported by Commissioner Hamalainen. Motion carried unanimously.**

Chairman Ed Vest adjourned meeting at 6:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Approved June 9th 2025

Terry Hiti

Fayal Deputy Clerk/Billing Coordinator