

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**SEPTEMBER 5, 2006**

The Regular Meeting of the Fayal Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Kniefel. Present were: Chairman Kniefel, Supervisor Beldo, Supervisor Branville, Supervisor Pernu, Supervisor Tamaro and Clerk Sersha.

Audience members in attendance were Mike Erjavec and Jerry Ulman.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2006 Regular Meeting minutes made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Beldo. Chairman Kniefel stated the correct date for the public hearing for the all hazard mitigation plan is September 19, not December 19, and questioned if the correction had been made. Clerk Sersha stated the date had been corrected. Motion carried unanimously.***

**REPORTS**

***Clerk/Treasurer's Report-*** For the period of August 1-31, 2006, there were \$65,653.56 in receipts and \$467,034.51 in expenditures. A transfer of \$80,000.00 was made from Miners Bank to Mt. Iron Checking. Ending balances are as follows:

Mt. Iron Checking-	\$678,565.66
Special Assessments Savings-	\$261,355.83
Miners Bank-	\$48,023.49
PUC Truck Depreciation CD-	\$18,635.16
Sewer Depreciation CD #1-	\$64,319.79
Sewer Depreciation CD#2-	\$56,941.91
Waterline Depreciation CD-	\$34,164.45
Capital Equipment CD-	\$103,530.75
Employee Benefits CD-	\$68,056.69
Sewer Replacement CD-	\$9,767.56

A vote counter was purchased from the City of Gilbert as a backup for our machine for the Primary and General election. We will need to purchase an updated model for the election in 2008.

Clerk Sersha questioned if the Board would prefer to receive financial reports via e-mail, or to have them printed, to reduce paper use? Financial reports will be sent via e-mail, unless otherwise requested.

Supervisor Branville reported that the Police Report will be placed in the Supervisor's files tomorrow morning, for approval at the next meeting.

***Motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's Report made by Supervisor Tamaro, support from Supervisor Pernu. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the July 25 and August 22, 2006 Planning Committee Regular Meeting minutes, made by Chairman Kniefel, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

***Motion to accept the August 2006 Road & Bridge Report made by Supervisor Beldo, support from Supervisor Branville. Motion carried unanimously.***

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

SLC Land Dept.- The land department is proposing sale of a state tax forfeit property located in Erickson's Beach, Lots 6,7, and 8 CVT 340-90-60,80,85. Fayal may acquire this land for a public purpose. Placed on file.

SLC Rescue Squad- Thank you for donation. Placed on file.

City of Gilbert- 2005 Audit. Placed on file.

MAT- District 10 meeting and election will be held Thursday, September 28, Grand Lake Town Hall. Registration is 7:00 pm, Meeting 7:30 pm, Election, 8:00 PM. Placed on file.

Northeast Service Coop- Annual Report for 2005-2006. Placed on file.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Supervisor Beldo-**

**Pine Drive-** The contractor who made the damage has had it acceptably repaired.

**North Airport Road Residential Speed Zone-** This road was not included in the study by the district traffic engineer at the time the other roads in the town were established as residential districts because it lacked the density requirements. The MAT attorney has advised against the establishment of this road as a residential speed zone as it would not be in the town's best interest, because of the lack of density. More enforcement of speed and stop signs laws was encouraged.

**County/Town Road Work-** Beldo, Verkovich, and Jurenic attended a meeting with SLC and Ulland Brothers regarding the job. The completion date for the town roads is October 14. As for the township doing the shouldering and eliminating the striping, that is no problem. We may have an obligation for the Class 5 as it may have already been prepared for the project. Short discussion on work that is being done on Miller Trunk by SLC and Ulland.

### **Supervisor Branville-**

**ATV Ordinance-** Branville reported he is still working on it because he is going to expand the ordinance to include off-highway vehicles that are now allowed to travel on township roads.

### **Supervisor Pernu-**

**Handicap Door Opener-** The openers have been installed, we are waiting for the electrician.

**Brush Pile-** No action has been taken yet. We may have to burn it.

**Front of Town Garage-** A partial order of the metal has been delivered and it will be bent for the corners, the rest of the order is expected this week.

**Town Complex Locks-** Upon review of the proposals submitted by Biss Lock, it is necessary we have the three doorknobs replaced, and new keys will have to be made for all authorized key holders. Labor should not exceed \$600. An additional \$900 will be needed for the project. (Clerk's Note: The Town Board authorized up to \$2,500 for the project at the 8-15-06 Regular Meeting.)

***Motion to authorize an additional \$900 in funds for the door lock project (for a total of \$3,400.00), made by Supervisor Pernu, support from Supervisor Tamaro. Motion carried unanimously.***

### **Supervisor Tamaro-**

**Sewer Rates-** Nothing at this time.

**Kaleva Drive Sewer-** Nothing at this time.

**Proposed Ambulance Subsidies-** No agreement has been sent to us by the City of Eveleth at this time.

Chairman Kniefel reminded the board of the September 19, 2006, 7:00 pm, Public Hearing on the All Hazard Mitigation Plan. The regular town board meeting will follow. Info on the plan is available in the form of two books in the clerk's office or on a CD.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Beldo reported he has received information from the R & B on a sweeper attachment for the new loader. Short discussion on purchase versus rental. Beldo will discuss the attachment with Steve & Al and make a report at the next meeting.

Supervisor Beldo reported that the SLC contract for culverts will be expiring soon and the prices may escalate. For this reason, the R & B would like to purchase culverts at this time.

Motion to authorize the purchase of a list of culverts submitted by the Road & Bridge Department at a cost of approximately \$1,210.00, at the SLC bid price, made by Supervisor Beldo, support from Supervisor Pernu. Tammaro questioned if the price included delivery? Beldo will check on it. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Beldo also reported the R & B department would like a policy on the town selling culverts to individual property owners. Kniefel suggests amending the town road entrance resolution. Beldo will discuss with the R & B employees.

Supervisor Branville reported he attended the meeting at NESCU on health insurance. Branville stated the meeting was interesting, but there was no chance to ask questions. Discussion on health care costs. Clerk Sersha was directed to contact Mick Giblin and set up a special meeting next week for the specific purpose of discussion of health care costs and options.

Supervisor Pernu reported that the last week of August was set aside for town hall maintenance. Jim's Cleaning was here and scrubbed the town hall floors, cleaned the board chairs and the office carpet. The township casual laborers sealed the grout and tiles over the weekend.

Chairman Kniefel informed the Board on a proposal by St. Louis County to "swap" certain county roads and town roads, for maintenance purposes. St. Louis County would establish a county road from county road 536 to county road 957 following the route of the existing Fayal township road 6705 (Scout Camp Road) and parts of county roads 950, 389, 382, and 654 would be revoked as county roads and be established as township roads. The exchange would result in the town virtually not losing any road miles, but would make sense for road maintenance. There is a revocation process in MN Statute 163.11. Discussion by the Board. Supervisor Beldo will discuss this with the R & B employees, but there were no immediate objections raised by the board on this issue.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS AND COMMENTS**

Mike Erjavec and Jerry Ulman were in attendance but had no comment.

Supervisor Tammaro questioned if we have been allocating funds for the future employee retirement benefits? Clerk Sersha stated that since the Certificate of Deposit was purchased, there has been no further allocation of funds. Tammaro states we should continue to allocate funds so the money is there when it is needed.

***Motion to pay the bills made by Supervisor Tammaro, support from Supervisor Branville.  
Motion carried unanimously.***

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Tammaro.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy M. Sersha  
Clerk of Fayal

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Chair

Clerk