

**TOWN OF FAYAL**  
**4375 SHADY LANE, EVELETH, MN 55734**

*Heidi M. Coldagelli, Clerk/Treasurer*

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*Supervisors: Lee Branville, Mark Chad, Michael Erjavec, Richard Sather*

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAYAL TOWN BOARD**

**MAY 6, 2025**

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 Erjavec and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Terry Hiti. Supervisor Sather and Clerk Coldagelli were absent. Chairman Tamaro led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience members in attendance were Gina Brascugli, Sandra Wallner and Steve Shykes.

***Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.***

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**- None at this time.

**AUDIENCE CONCERNS**- None at this time.

**REPORTS**-

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report**-

Bank statements for the month of April have been received and all accounts reconciled. Revenues were \$80,061.53 and expenditures were \$120,778.54. Ending balances for the month of April were:

Miners Checking- \$498,452.73

Assessment Savings- \$115.71

CD Savings- \$70.73

4M Fund- \$1,792,891.18

For the month of May to date, revenues are \$6,179.01 and expenditures are \$57,609.09.

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

**Other Reports**-

***Motion to accept the Planning Commission meeting minutes from February, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Branville.*** There was no meeting held in March. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

**CORRESPONDENCE**-

April 16<sup>th</sup>- Email from Megan Julin with St. Louis County Association of Townships meeting minutes from March 26<sup>th</sup>. Placed on file.

April 24<sup>th</sup>- Email from Paul Peltier from Range Association of Municipalities and Schools with notice of board vacancy. Letters of interest must be received by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Placed on file.

April 30<sup>th</sup>- Email from Shaun Floerke with the Duluth Superior Community Foundation with an invitation to join them on May 21<sup>st</sup> from 3:00-5:00 PM in Duluth as they celebrate changes to their foundation. Placed on file.

May 1<sup>st</sup>- Email from Megan Julin from St. Louis County Association of Townships with notice of annual meeting and election for May 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM. A catered meal will be served at 6:30 at a cost of \$25.00 per person. Each township in attendance should bring a prize/gift. Please RSVP by May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Placed on file.

May 5<sup>th</sup>- Letter from Robert Pecchia with the MN Department of Revenue with notice of this year's annual mineral hearing on unmined iron ore assessments to be held at 10:00 AM on May 21<sup>st</sup> via WebEx. Placed on file.

May 5<sup>th</sup>- Email from St. Louis County Planning and Zoning Department with a variance application for Neil Lindeman to be held on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Forwarded on to the Planning Commission for review.

Chairman Tamaro questioned if 2026's Mining Effects has been allocated yet? He questioned if with the

mines' current situations that the funds received could be lower. Discussion regarding how Mining Effects is determined.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Chairman Tammaro-

**Fire Department Hourly Wage-** Supervisor Chad will have more to follow.

**Eveleth-Fayal Cable Access-** Clerk Coldagelli sent a letter to the entities for termination and has a meeting scheduled with the Eveleth City Administrator this week to discuss.

**Fire Department Rechassis Project-** Last week Fire Chief Steve Shykes, Assistant Chief Matt Hoffmann and Supervisor Chad met with the owner of Custom Fire. In reviewing the project some changes needed to be made and the tank needs to be removed and sent to manufacturer for repair. There will be a significant cost now that the body needs to be dismantled versus being removed as one piece. Currently waiting for an estimate from Custom Fire. Discussion regarding the crack repair to the fiberglass tank.

**Patrick Ziegler Sewer Line-** Clerk Coldagelli sent Mr. Ziegler a letter. Discussion regarding County assessment changes for sale of a house. For now the property is out of compliance and will wait to hear from Mr. Ziegler.

**Tennis Court Noise Reduction Screens-** Chairman Tammaro found a less expensive screen.

***Motion to allocate \$762.00 plus any shipping costs towards the purchase of the noise reduction blinds for the pickleball court, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Erjavec.*** It may go over that should there be some miscellaneous expenses if they are not included in the quote. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Tammaro brought forward that he spoke to Pete Bertucci regarding his pit. The County is working with the property and Mr. Bertucci will have dumpsters brought in for clean up and removing items. Not sure at this time of a start date.

Chairman Tammaro also brought forward that Supervisor Sather was tasked with providing a list of Road and Bridge projects for the summer. The projects will affect the hours of the casual labor employee, Dave Lang.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Quote for Blinds-** Supervisor Branville is going to email Foreman Jason Latvaaho requesting a second quote and table until a second quote is received.

**Quote for Flammables Safety Cabinet-** The Road and Bridge cabinet was moved to the Skate Shack Garage for the oil and gas cans for the rink. This cabinet is from Grainger for \$1,451.43.

***Motion to buy for \$1,451.43 plus shipping, made by Supervisor Erjavec, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.***

**BCA and Master Services Agreement-** Chairman Tammaro requested to table for now.

**Volleyball Court Use for Youth Summer Sand League-** The group would like to use the court again.

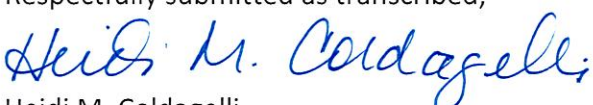
***Motion to move, made by Supervisor Chad, support from Supervisor Erjavec. Motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Tammaro brought forward that the pickleball group would like Fayal to fix the condition of the courts. The best option is to wait until July to apply for an IRRRB grant. Can likely utilize the building fund to make those improvements, but would like grant assistance and can start work on the project in 2026. Discussion regarding the last time the courts were redone and their condition now. Supervisor Erjavec brought forward another community put a pickleball court in their hockey rink. Discussion that the pavement creates issues with the ice. Discussion that there has been conflicts regarding those wanting to play tennis and pickleball and use of the courts. We will research repair options.

***Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$76,591.84, made by Supervisor Branville, support from Supervisor Chad. Motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Tammaro adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted as transcribed,



Heidi M. Coldagelli

Clerk/Treasurer Town of Fayal

Approved: Phil J. [Signature]  
Chair

Date: 5-20-25

Attest: Heidi Coldayell  
Clerk