

City of Falmouth
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2018
7:00 PM

ORIGINAL

Falmouth City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on March 13, 2018. Mayor Ron Stinson presiding. The following Council Members were present: Amy Hurst, Alex Carson, April DeFalco, Philis Wait, Sebastian Ernst and Amy Hitch.

With a quorum present the meeting was called to order. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer by Council Member Amy Hurst.

Council Meeting Minutes from January 9, February 13, and March 6, 2018 were presented to Council for approval.

- Motion to accept all minutes by Council Member Carson, second by Council Member Wait. All Aye.

Industrial Authority: Proposal for City regarding the Industrial Park.

Rodney Miles and Steve Ammerman were present to provide their proposal to council to request the De-Annexation of the Industrial Park. Mr. Miles explained that they have had some interested businesses seeking to come in the area of the Industrial Park, however they are hesitating to come when they learn of our Insurance Premium Tax they will be required to pay. Council wanted to let the Industrial Authority know they did a lot of research and did not take the decision to not De-Annex lightly. In the future, council requests that the Industrial Authority bring a potential buyer to the city so they may properly negotiate and work out a resolution that would help the business and benefit everyone in bringing new opportunities to Falmouth.

Mr. Miles wanted council to know they are open to ideas and would like to come up with a solution that works for everyone.

Mayor Stinson introduced Rob Yelton to council. Mr. Yelton was present to give council a little history on his background and let them know he would be running for Pendleton County Sheriff in the upcoming election in November 2018.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES:

Fire Department - Chief David Marquardt

Chief David Marquardt was not present.

Wastewater Department – Supervisor Andy Richie

Supervisor Richie gave his insight on the written report on water and waste water that is provided. See report provided for full details.

Public Works – Director Gary Lea

Everything is going well, fixed four water leaks. Working on repairing dumpsters. Let council know that the sewer haulers were going to Ed Monroe Road to dump, believes this will help keep things cleaner and it is better for the system. Gary has one man off hoping to be able to hire one more for his department. They are working on the garbage routes and looking to change them up and make them better. They have been cleaning up areas that had leaks and have seeded the ground in areas.

Rumpke is currently not hauling leachate.

Police Department – Chief Spaulding

Chief Spaulding introduced his new Officer Heather Jolley and reported to council that she would be attending the academy on the 22nd. Officer Linkugel will be graduating from the academy and they will be having a graduation party for him in April. Narcan training is coming up soon and Chief and Officer Clem will be attending a mass shooting training.

Clerk's Department – City Clerk Chrissy O'Hara

City auditor has been present working on Audit FY16-17. Paul Maddix will be a couple of weeks working then a couple of weeks to prepare the audit for council. After the meeting on the 6th we have been working on a draft to send out for RFPs on garbage. We are working to update our insurance policy and items that are covered and the need to be removed. We have sent CSX a request for some railroad ties to help with framing up the area at the Veterans Park for mulching, no response yet from CSX. Gave council an update on some old delinquent utility accounts that we have been able to collect on. One totaling \$3154.49 from 2010. City Clerk has applied for a couple of scholarships for training, hope to hear back from them soon. We are continuing to work on garbage and get numbers for council to have a good handle on garbage expenses and revenue. Utility Fund is low we are looking to do a transfer from the reserves to cover some expenses that the reserves should have paid, not the utility fund account.

Standing Committee Reports

Revitalization & Events Committee

April 2, 2018 will be the Shop Keepers Meeting. Ideas on what can be done to help: Photography for free, open sign for all to get a reduced price, maybe assist in beautification.

Working to create a way to share ideas. Reminder April 14th is Falmouth Clean Up Day. There are 4 Volunteer Groups. Mayor Stinson is working with Rumpke for dumpsters. Billy Steele will be supplying the garbage bags.

Infrastructure and Public Works Committee

Cancelled on March 6, 2018 because a Special Council Meeting was called.

Personnel Committee

The meeting was cancelled due to nothing new to report. Still working on updating policies focusing on employee benefits, sick/vacation/personal time.

Finance Committee

Met with Fleet Management Eric Brady to discuss management of the city vehicle fleet and purchases of new police cruisers.

AGENDA

Enterprise Fleet Management for city vehicles with Fleet Consultant Eric Brady

Eric Brady presented council with his proposal to save the city resources and budget dollars through a managed vehicle program.

Pendleton County School must release Fairground Lane to the City

The Pendleton County Board of Education is looking to sell property to the Fair Board. Once this happens the school can no longer maintain Fairground Road. The Board is asking the city to take over the maintenance of this street.

- Motion to approve Resolution # 1-2018 for the Mayor to enter into agreement for the city to take over the maintenance of Fairground Road upon any transfer to the Fair Board by Council Member Ernst, second by Council Member Hurst. All Aye

Review and possible 1st Reading of Amendment to Occupational License

In discussion of updating our Occupation License, Council will repeal the current occupational license and form a new cleaner version that will set a flat fee of \$50.00 for all businesses except for a few specialty businesses that the rate will vary depending on the type of business.

Possible removal/relocation of the stage downtown

Council Member Ernst proposed that the city relocate the downtown stage so that it may be better utilized. Ernst proposes to do the work himself and not charge the city expenses. Will communicate with Brian Thompson with Planning and Zoning.

- Motion to allow Sebastian Ernst to move forward with getting a proposal together to relocate the stage by Council Member Hitch, second by Council Member Carson. All Aye.

Amendment to Alcohol Sales Ordinance to end sales at 2:00 am

Council Member Ernst addressed council and wanted to know their thoughts on amending alcohol sales to 2:00 am on Friday and Saturday nights. He believes it would be beneficial to the city and would put us on the same time as surrounding areas. In turn helping revenue by not having customers go somewhere else to spend their money after Falmouth closes at 12:00.

Council members agreed and would like to see an Ordinance amending the times at the next council meeting.

Update on Veterans Park Project

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Economic Developer Bill Mitchell provided a proposal to do a rehab project on the Veterans Park. He would like to apply for a grant through Elsa Heisel Sule Foundation and the Durr Foundation. The project preliminary budget amount is \$82,197.00

- Motion to move forward with the funding source of the park by Council Member DeFalco, second by Council Member Wait. All Aye.

Repurposing the Shelby St property to a potential dog park

Council Member Ernst proposed the idea of a dog park on Shelby Street buyout property lot. Ernst said he would be able to do the work and wouldn't take a lot to get this done.

Council Member Ernst will be working on estimates and getting prices from other cities on cost of dog park to bring back to council.


Buzzard issue and removal strategies

Fire Department is working on the issue, they have started the sirens and spraying water to deter the buzzards from their roosting sites.


Audience Comments and Concerns (Order of Sign In Sheet)

No comments or concerns from the audience

With no further business to come before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Hurst, second by Council Member Ernst. Motion passed unanimously.



Ron Stinson, Mayor



Attest: Chrissy O'Hara, City Clerk

RESOLUTION
CITY OF FALMOUTH, PENDLETON COUNTY, KENTUCKY
NO. 18- 1

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE PENDLETON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF FAIRGROUND ROAD**

WHEREAS, the Pendleton County Board of Education currently owns a majority of the land adjacent to Fairground Road; and

WHEREAS, the Pendleton County Board of Education is contemplating selling a portion of the property to the fair board; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Department of Education had advised that the Pendleton County Board of Education may no longer maintain the roadway once it is transferred; and


WHEREAS, the Fairgrounds are an asset to the City of Falmouth and all of Pendleton County; and

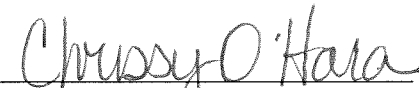
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF FALMOUTH,
COUNTY OF PENDLETON, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, THAT:**

That the Mayor is authorized to enter into an Agreement for the maintenance of Fairground Road upon any transfer of the property to the Fair Board by the Pendleton County Board of Education.

This the 13th day of March 2018.

CITY OF FALMOUTH

BY: 
Ron Stinson
Mayor

ATTEST: 
CITY CLERK, Chrissy O'Hara