

City of Falmouth  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
October 10, 2017  
7:00 PM

ORIGINAL

Falmouth City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on October 10, 2017. The following Council Members were present: Amy Hurst, Alex Carson, April DeFalco, Amy Hitch, and Sebastian Ernst. One vacant council seat. Mayor Ron Stinson was scheduled to arrive late.

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.

Motion to appoint Council Member Ernst to preside until Mayor Stinson's arrival by Council Member Carson, second by Council Member DeFalco. All Aye.

Council Meeting Minutes from September 12, September 19, September 26, October 4, and October 5, 2017 were presented to Council for approval.

- Motion to accept all minutes with the friendly amendment to October 4<sup>th</sup> minutes to remove Council Member Carson from the present list by Council Member Hurst, second by Council Member Carson. All Aye.

**DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES:**

Planning and Zoning - Brian Thompson – Not present. Tabled until further information can be provided.

Fire Department - Chief David Marquardt

Presented spread sheet for September fire runs to council. Purchase order for \$800.00 submitted to Mayor for material for the Hum-V. Chief requested five more sets of gear.

Wastewater Department – Interim Supervisor Travis Lonaker

Water: Received most of the quotes for the roof. Got a quote on the metal door. Repaired Booster Station; had a pump go down. Gary, Craig, and Travis worked 4 hours to repair electric on Reservoir. Replaced plumbing at the water plant. Carbon machines are back online. Service done on truck; needed a new fuel pump.

Waste/Water: Pump at Hammer fixed on 25<sup>th</sup>; pump repair was free and under warranty. Pump for New Hope has been ordered. Got Flow Meter pricing. Had an aerator down. Meeting on Friday on Bonar Station; new pump installation is about 8 weeks out. Craig Smith is going back to test for his license.

*Mayor Ron Stinson arrived at 7:13pm. Mayor Stinson now presiding.*

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Public Works – Interim Supervisor Joe Wells

Everything is going well. Doing more electrical work now that Gary Lea is back part-time. Looking to give Hwy 27 maintenance back to State. Working on lights at the Athletic Park. Rodney Miles is done with garbage truck but waiting on cylinders.

Code Enforcement – Chris Pelle

Announced that the house on Park Street has come down as of tonight. Working with the Railroad to get their property cleaned up. Vanlandingham property is cleaning up the tree by the old car wash; then will be working to get the furniture cleaned out. Working on abandoned properties. Questioned Fire Marshall training and if he could attend the 8-hour class.

Police Department – Chief Spaulding – Waiting on Chief Spaulding to arrive from a call to report

Clerk's Department – City Clerk Chrissy O'Hara

Property Taxes will be out by Friday, October 13. Spoke with Council regarding terminating our current agreement with Van Gorder and Walker and going back to our former auditor Paul Maddix. All council members agreed and had no reservations about this change. Paul Maddix would not only save the city money but offer more assistance because he is more familiar with our software and information that pertains to the city. Working on submitting the Litter Abatement Grant and the Liability Grant for the Public Works Department. Finishing up CSX train derailment paperwork to get submitted. Working with Personnel Committee on the Personnel Policy. Needing to address holiday/sick/vacation time before next month.

**Standing Committee Reports**

Revitalization & Events Committee met October 2:

Reported by Council Member Carson: Tiffany Hehman has been appointed as Chair for Falmouth Forward. She will be heading up her first event, "Spooktacular" for Halloween on October 28, 8:00 to 10:00pm. Reminder that Trunk or Treat is 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Athletic Park. Christmas parade, "White Christmas," is scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. Lineup is at 4:00 at Southern Elementary. Donna Bathalter will be having Morning to Remember breakfast and vendor fair at St. Xavier. Kincaid Regional Theater will be caroling and Santa will be at City Hall for pictures. Committee is working on 4<sup>th</sup> of July events. Working on donations for fireworks.

Infrastructure and Public Works Committee met on October 3:

Reported by Council Member Ernst: Working on encroachment permits with Alex Carson and Brian Thompson. Discussing doing a rental property permitting process. Still talking with Bill Mitchell regarding Infrastructure and what he can do for the city. Becky Messmer from the Health Department is looking to extend trails at the Athletic Park; she is working on a proposal.

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Personnel Committee met on October 5:

Reported by Council Member DeFalco: Still working on policies focusing on employee benefits, sick/vacation/personal time. Will be having a luncheon provided by our IT company Sophicity, possibly October 19.

Finance Committee – Meeting was cancelled

## **New Business**

### **Introduction of Bill Mitchell - Economic Development Partnership Overview**

Bill Mitchell presented to Council an outline of the Pendleton County Economic Development Office's support for the City of Falmouth. The complete document can be provided with a records request to the City Clerk.

### **Klee Farm – Hunting Rights**

Council Member Hitch proposed the question of hunting on the Klee property. She had been approached for permission to hunt and was told that city employees were permitted to hunt there. The city was not aware of any hunting taking place on this property. Council all agreed that there is no hunting permitted on the Klee property by any employee or the public. The city will make sure there are proper signs posted and a memo will be sent to all employees so that they are aware.

### **Resolution Approving Amendment to Interlocal Agreement creating the Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS) – Chief Spaulding**

Proceeding with agenda items until Chief Spaulding arrives.

### **Discussion regarding De-Annexation of Wells/Crouch Property**

Reminded Council of an old issue that has been outstanding for years; Stacey Wells and Brian Crouch properties have been in the process of de-annexation for some time. We now have the correct plat and legal from the surveyor and are ready to proceed and complete this project. Council proceeded with no objections of Ordinance regarding the de-annexation.

Ordinance was introduced constituting for the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

### **Audience Comments/Concerns**

Patty Tate was present and signed the sign-in sheet to speak. Ms. Tate informed Council of a situation she had with Council Member DeFalco. She provided Council with a written statement and wanted them to be aware of the situation. She stated her concerns and Council acknowledged them and instructed her that any further communication needed can be handled through the Mayor.

No further comments or concerns. City continued with the agenda items.

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**Closed Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c), discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency regarding Attorney fees from former Mayor.**

- Motion to move to closed session for the discussion of proposed or pending litigation KRS 61.181(c) on behalf of the public agency regarding fees from the former Mayor by Council Member Ernst, second by Council Member Carson.  
Vote: Carson, Yes. Ernst, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Hitch, Yes. Hurst, Yes.  
Resolved: Motion carried
- Motion to come out of closed session from Council Member Hurst, second by Council Member DeFalco.  
Vote: Carson, Yes. Ernst, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Hitch, Yes. Hurst, Yes.  
Resolved: Motion carried

No action was taken.


**Resolution Approving Amendment to Interlocal Agreement creating The Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS) – Chief Spaulding**

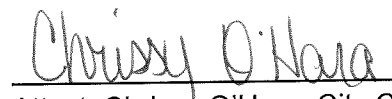
Chief Spaulding arrived for the meeting and presented to Council his request to pass the Resolution to approve the BACKUPPS Interlocal Agreement. He explained that this would allow them to have full power of arrest, investigation and searches, plus other authorities outlined in the agreement. Council agreed that this would be an asset to the police department.

- Motion to approve the Mayor to sign the Resolution for BACKUPPS by Council Member Carson, second by Council Member Hurst.  
Vote: Carson, Yes. Ernst, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Hitch, Yes. Hurst, Yes.  
Resolved: Motion carried

Updates to all Council: Council Member Carson has the City Facebook page ready. The Pendleton County Tourism painted sheep is to be placed at the Falmouth sign coming into town. Mix and Mingle is scheduled for November 30. Council Member Hurst will have the 15-star replacement flag soon.

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

  
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Ron Stinson, Mayor

  
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Attest: Chrissy O'Hara, City Clerk

**RESOLUTION**

**No.1:10-10-2017**

**CITY OF FALMOUTH**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CREATING THE BLUEGRASS AND CENTRAL KENTUCKY UNIFIED POLICE PROTECTION SYSTEM (BACKUPPS) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Falmouth has considered an Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement creating the Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS);

WHEREAS, KRS 65.240 requires the authorization of an interlocal agreement to be memorialized by ordinance or resolution;

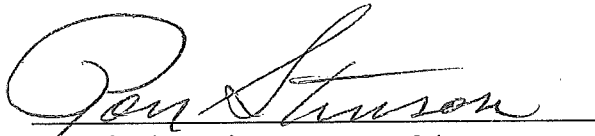
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Falmouth:

Section 1. That the Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement creating the Bluegrass and Central Kentucky Unified Police Protection System (BACKUPPS) is hereby approved in substantially the same form as the attached Agreement.

Section 2. That the City of Falmouth specifically agrees to abide by the Model Standard Operating procedures adopted by the BACKUPPS Board unless the Board authorizes the City to utilize different SOPs.

Section 3. That the Mayor is authorized to execute the Interlocal Agreement, acknowledgment of Model SOPs and any relevant documents on behalf of the City.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

  
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City of Falmouth, Mayor Ron Stinson

Attest:

  
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City of Falmouth, City Clerk Chrissy O'Hara