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**CITY OF FALMOUTH  
AUGUST 15, 2023**

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**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

City Council Convened at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Sebastian Ernst presiding and calling the meeting to order. Present were Councilmembers Darryl Ammerman, Joyce Carson, Sabrina Hazen, Amy Hurst, Bob Pettit, and Luke Price. Also in attendance were City Attorney Brandon Voelker and Deputy City Clerk Shelley Wright.

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and observed a moment of invocation presented by Councilmember Amy Hurst.

Police Chief Marty Hart was present, along with his staff, Nick Timon, Brody Schmeing, Matt Campbell, and Chaplin Abram Crozier, to inform council that the department had recently received its accreditation. The department has been accredited for 9 years now and only 25% of the departments across the state are able to accomplish this. Chief Hart presented Mayor Ernst with the accreditation certification.

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Groh was present to update Council on his first 6 weeks on the job. He provided them with copies of his code enforcement log and informed them of issues he has seen throughout the city. He stated that it has been a slow process, but it is moving in the right direction.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Councilmember Joyce Carson requested a change to the July 18, 2023 minutes, under Code Enforcement Updates, to change "semi-trailers" to "shipping containers."  
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting from July 18, 2023, and the special meeting from July 26, 2023, was made by Councilmember Luke Price, second by Councilmember Amy Hurst. All aye. Motion passed.

**Visitors:**

Tim Theissen, attorney for the Joint Planning Commission, was present to discuss the contract between the City and County. Mr. Theissen stated that the commission was formed in 1991 between the county, Falmouth, and Butler, with the county paying 75%, Falmouth paying 20%, and Butler paying 5%, but Butler doesn't pay any money to Planning & Zoning. Mr. Theissen also stated that in their statute, a city cannot withdrawal from the contract; but he also stated that according to the Attorney General, a city can withdrawal. City Attorney Brandon Voelker stated that the amount that is being paid by the city to Planning & Zoning is not commensurate with the services they are receiving. It was then agreed that the attorneys would discuss the matter outside of the meeting to try and come to a solution.

Michael Lanin was present to provide and request updates regarding the Klee property. He has met with engineers and with Gary Lea about utilities for Head Start and everything is in order. Motion to install utilities for Head Start was made by Councilmember Luke Price, second by Councilmember Bob Pettit. All aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Lanin then asked if a vote could be taken to move forward with the purchase of the remainder of the property. City Attorney Brandon Voelker stated that he would work with Mr. Lanin to develop a proposal/contract/agreement to present to Council.

**Ordinances/Resolutions/Municipal Orders:**

Resolution 8.15.23.1, Adoption of Northern Kentucky Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, was read by City Attorney Brandon Voelker.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Darryl Ammerman, second by Councilmember Amy Hurst. All aye. Motion passed.

Resolution 8.15.23.2, Appointment of Juanita Hughes to the Code Enforcement Board, was read by City Attorney Brandon Voelker.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Luke Price, second by Councilmember Joyce Carson. All aye. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

Mayor Ernst requested 3 councilmembers to volunteer for a committee to discuss possible electric issues. Councilmembers Darryl Ammerman, Bob Pettit, and Luke Price volunteered for the committee.

**Old Business:**

Mayor Ernst informed Council that everything has been submitted to the State regarding the bridge lights.

Councilmember Darryl Ammerman asked if we were still getting bids on fire hydrants.

Mayor Ernst informed Council that Hermes Construction would be at the Caucus Meeting in September to give an update.

**Announcements:**

August 22 will be Customer Appreciation Day at City Hall.

August 28 is the last Monday of the month, large trash pick-up.

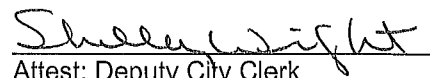
September 9 will be the Art Walk.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Bob Pettit, second by Councilmember Amy Hurst. All aye. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
Sebastian Ernst, Mayor

  
Attest: Deputy City Clerk

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**CITY OF FALMOUTH, PENDLETON COUNTY, KENTUCKY  
RESOLUTION 08.15.23:1: RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION OF THE NORTHERN  
KENTUCKY REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, certain areas of the City of Falmouth, Kentucky are subject to periodic natural hazards, including but not limited to flooding, landslides, tornados, thunderstorms, and winter storms that have potential to cause damages to people and properties within the area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Falmouth desires to prepare and mitigate for such natural hazards; and

WHEREAS, under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, the United Sates Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires that local jurisdictions have in place a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Action Plan as a condition of receipt of certain future Federal mitigation funding; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan was developed in accordance with the regulations of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and the guidance provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and


WHEREAS, to assist cities and counties in meeting this requirement, the Northern Kentucky Area Development District has facilitated the development of a multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan covering member jurisdictions of the Northern Kentucky Area Development District including the City of Falmouth, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the City of Falmouth, or its designated representative, has participated in the Hazard Mitigation Planning process:

NOW, therefore, be it resolved, that the City of Falmouth City Council hereby:

1. Adopts the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of the City of Falmouth, Kentucky; and
2. Vests the Pendleton County Office of Emergency Management with the responsibility, authority, and the means to:
  - a) Inform all concerned parties of this action.
  - b) Develop an addendum to this Hazard Mitigation Plan if the jurisdiction's unique situation warrants such an addendum.
3. Appoints Northern Kentucky Area Development District to assure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan be reviewed according to the Plan Maintenance Procedures of the Plan and that any needed adjustment to the Plan be developed and presented to the Pendleton County Mitigation Committee and to the City of Falmouth City Council for consideration.
4. Agrees to consider any other official actions as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazard Mitigation Action Plan for the City of Falmouth, Kentucky.

Adopted on: 8-15-23

Certified by:   
Mayor

Attested by:   
Deputy City Clerk

Date: 8-15-23

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**CITY OF FALMOUTH  
RESOLUTION 08.15.23:2**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF **JUANITA HUGHES** TO THE CITY OF FALMOUTH CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD TO COMPLETE THE TERM THAT WILL EXPIRE FEBRUARY 28, 2024.

Be it resolved by the City of Falmouth, County of Pendleton, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

**Section 1.** That the Mayor's appointment of Juanita Hughes to the City of Falmouth Code Enforcement Board for a term ending February 28, 2024, be and hereby is approved.

**Section 2.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and approval as required by law.

Enacted at the Regular City Council Meeting on August 15, 2023.

**CITY OF FALMOUTH, KENTUCKY**

  
Sebastian Ernst, Mayor

Council Vote:

6 Aye 0 Opposed

**ATTEST:**

  
Susan L. Bishop, City Clerk