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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes Regular June 20, 2023**

After pledge and invocation, Mayor Ernst called the Meeting to order.

Amy Hurst	Present	Joyce Carson	Present
Sabrina Hazen	Present	Bob Pettit	Present
Darryl Ammerman	Present	Luke Price	Present

Present: Attorney Brandon Voelker

GUESTS

Mayor recognized Adam Scott, Engineer with Integrated Water Management Systems to speak on the bid opening for the lagoon cleanout project. He explained to Council that only one bid was received and opened on June 9. H&A is the same company that did the previous work in 2019. The total cost was \$175,025 and the bid was broken down with 4 items being a lump sum amount, the other two items were priced by the wet-ton weight with an estimated tonnage based on previous cleanout. He had sent a letter with his recommendation to award H&A Management the bid as submitted. He also advised the council it may be October before they are on site due to the back log of projects they currently have ongoing. Clerk Williams said she would email both the bid and recommendation letter the next day to all.

MOTION: Luke Price made a motion to award the Lagoon Cleanout Project to H&A Management, seconded by Darryl Ammerman; all aye. Motion carried 6-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Joyce Carson made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted; seconded by Amy Hurst. All aye. Motion carried 6-0-0.

After a brief explanation of the budget as presented for a second reading, Mayor Ernst then began by allowing public comment regarding the proposed budget. A contingency of guests included: Kaitlyn Darnell, Rachelle Lazarus-Morris, Nicole Turner, Jackson Jenkins, Mary Noelle, Tammy Johnson, Steve Groh, Sandy Florence, Chris Fry, and Jennifer Thorton. With the exception of Sandy Florence, each person spoke of their support of the proposed budget, the ideas Mayor Ernst presented to improve Falmouth by providing a recreation center, potential splash pad, or any other venue to bring people to Falmouth and adding activities for the youth. Each spoke on the need to clean up downtown, address blighted properties, encouraged revitalization, the need to bring activities to Falmouth to retain the youth as most are leaving because "there's nothing to do here".

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Sandy Florence stated she was not against the Mayor's ideas and plans. She thought they were good ideas and progressive but felt there were more critical issues she would like to see addressed with the budget such as the streets in town and her subdivision, Cardinal Ridge. She pointed out the need to take care of what already exists such as the Veteran's Park and the Skateboard Park. She reminded the audience there are many events that already exist for kids such as the library activities, extension programs, churches, athletic programs. She felt the maintenance and upkeep of both the recreation center and a splash pad should not take priority over current existing issues.

After public comments, Mayor opened discussion to Council members. Luke Price stated he was not against the rec center or the splash pad/plaza, but he did stress the need to make sure going forward the process was managed properly. He wanted to see proposals in writing and brought before council for discussion and votes. He wanted bid process followed for any of the work to move forward, and proper permitting and inspections done.

Amy Hurst concurred saying she was not for rushing into work and wanted to see cost proposals of what it would take. The inspection report did not reflect costs.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/MUNICIPAL ORDERS

ORDINANCE 2023:2 Annual Budget

MOTION: Darryl Ammerman made a motion to approve the second reading of budget Ordinance 2023:2, with the contingency that Council would approve any expenditures over \$10,000 from the economic development line item; seconded by Sabrina Hazen. Roll Call Vote: Amy Hurst-no; Sabrina Hazen-yes; Darryl Ammerman-yes; Joyce Carson-no; Bob Pettit-yes; Luke Price-yes. Motion carried 6-2-0 (six yes, 2 no)

Mayor Ernst then called on Police Chief Marty Hart who reported the accreditation was progressing and should be complete soon. He would be happy to answer any questions. The one officer would be attending the academy in October and should be finished by February. He is working on a plan to move the part time person into full time when possible.

Water Wastewater Superintendent Keene Daugherty was present and informed Council the Hammer Station pump went down and is out for repair but should not be a major issue. They were working with the State Inspectors at the sewer plant as they are not getting the testing levels needed due to the need for dredging the lagoon. They were aware of the project that would start in the Fall.

Mayor Ernst then took the opportunity to announce this was the last meeting for City Clerk Ramona Williams as she is retiring, and her last day will be June 30th. He complimented her years of service and dedication to the City and the outstanding job she had done. He thanked her for her knowledge and support shown to him since January and wished her well; several echoing his sentiments; to which everyone stood in applause and support.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS

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CITY OF FALMOUTH
ORDINANCE 2023:2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FALMOUTH, IN PENDLETON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FALMOUTH, PENDLETON COUNTY, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, more particularly described in the attached Exhibits, is hereby adopted as attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall be effective as of July 1, 2023.

SECTION 3: The Invalidity of any section of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other section.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be published in Summary according to law.

SECTION 5: The foregoing Ordinance was read, passed, and adopted by the Council of the City of Falmouth, Kentucky, meeting in regular session on the 20 day of June 2023. Approved by the Mayor and ordered published in Summary according to law.

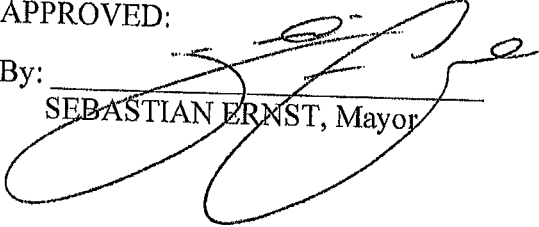
1st Reading June 6, 2023

2nd Reading June 20, 2023

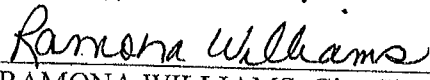
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APPROVED:

By:


SEBASTIAN ERNST, Mayor

ATTEST:


RAMONA WILLIAMS, City Clerk

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reviewer for his report.

County Public of Trustees director

If Trustees acted Monday
Director Melissa Byrd.
is currently the acting

the Department of Ken-
tucky in both continuing
with filling vacancies on
to work with KDLA and
situation in coming weeks.

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2023: 2
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6.27.23



RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024, BY ESTABLISHING REVENUES AND RESOURCES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMOUTH, PENDELTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

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1st Reading June 16, 2023
2nd Reading June 20, 2023

APPROVED:
By: *Sebastian Ernst*
SEBASTIAN ERNST, Mayor

ATTEST:
Ramona Williams
RAMONA WILLIAMS, City Clerk

PUBLISHED: 6.27.2023

GENERAL FUND	PROPOSED
BEGINNING BAL	731,398.11
ESTIMATED REVENUE 23-24	1,081,660.00
M&C EXPENSES	237,260.00
FIRE EXPENSES	282,016.00
POLICE EXPENSES	628,200.00
	1,047,466.00
End'g Bal 6-30-24 (Revenue - Expenses only)	34,386.00
Reg Bal + Rev - Exp	765,784.11
UTILITY FUND	
BEGINNING BAL	193,874.62
ESTIMATED REVENUE 23-24	3,816,660.00
ELECTRIC 300	1,460,500.00
WATER-310 KEENE	628,179.00
WATER-311 GARY	244,300.00
SEWER-312 KEENE	804,780.00
SEWER-313 GARY	167,798.00
GARBAGE 320	200,102.00
CLERKS-340	322,100.00
RESERVES	(190,000.00)
	3,825,726.00
Ending Bal 6-30-24 (Revenue - Expenses only)	100,824.00
Reg Bal + Rev - Exp	488,922.67
GENERAL FUND PROPOSAL	
BEGINNING BALANCE	731,398.11
POLICE ADDITION TAKEN OUT OF ABC	41,000.00
REIMBURSE FOR WATER LINE	25,000.00
COUNTY NOT EXPENDED	20,000.00
GENERAL FUND ANTICIPATED UNEXPENDED	(69,751.44)
SCHOOL CENTER	(66,000.00)
INSPECTION COST	(7,000.00)
	680,644.07
REQUESTED MINIMUM BALANCE FOR GF	(200,000.00)
PROJECTED YEAR END BAL	84,385.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	515,029.67