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FALMOUTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Caucus Meeting December 5, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Luke Price. The pledge of Allegiance, and the invocation given by councilmember Amy Hurst.

The following Council Members answering roll call:

Amy Hurst	Present	Joyce Carson	Present
Sabrina Hazen	Present	Amanda Moore	Present
Anthony Cox	Present	Brian Reid	Present

Also Present: Attorney Sebastian Torres

Mayor Luke Price opened the meeting by announcing he had received official letter of notice from County Judge David Fields to terminate the August 2023 inter-local agreement between the Pendleton County Fiscal Court and the City of Falmouth for fire protection in the unincorporated portion of the county; effective January 1, 2025.

Departmental reports followed:

Keene Dougherty-Water/Waste Water-no real updates to report; experienced an issue with breakers but seem to have resolved for now. Things were going smoothly.

Richard Courtney-Maintenance-they had been working in the downtown area prepping for the holiday parade and festivities on Saturday and continuing with leaf pick up; which will go through Friday December 13.

John Lucas-Fire Dept-they will begin the annual pump testing soon, request to open fire house for Saturday festivities to house Santa, run activity is going well.

Marty Hart-Police-Nick Timon was present stating the new employee Jonathan Bayless had started the academy this week, they hired a new Administrative Office Manager Marilyn Belcher, working on the shooting range at the sewer plant adding gravel to make it more accessible, and announced that with the help of our canine unit, a fugitive from Indiana was apprehended and arrested.

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Steve Groh-Code Enforcement-reported that he had visited Newport and met with their Code Enforcement Officer to get insight into how they operate. Brought back ideas to present to the Committee and would present to council when drafted.

Ramona Williams-Clerk-nothing really, busy with tax payments.

Mayor opened the floor to Council for comments. Sabrina Hazen inquired about the process in taking CAC payments and the concern if clients are getting assistance prior to the 10th of the month, but still incur a penalty if not received until after. Clerk Williams explained the process stating there have been serious issues with not receiving payments in a timely manner. Discussion of waiving and/or adjusting the penalty if assessed due to late CAC payments.

Mayor reminded everyone of the parade and events downtown on Saturday the 7th encouraging everyone to attend. There would be a trailer pulled by City personnel with Santa and all were welcome to ride.

No other discussion, meeting over.



Mayor Luke Price



Attest: