

City of Falmouth
Regular Council Meeting Minutes ORIGINAL
May 8, 2018
7:00 PM

Falmouth City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on May 8, 2018. Mayor Ron Stinson presiding. The following Council Members were present: Amy Hurst, Alex Carson, Philis Wait, Sebastian Ernst, April DeFalco 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 April 10, April 13, and May 2, 2018 were presented to Council for approval.

- Motion to approve minutes by Council Member DeFalco, second by Council Member Carson. All Aye.

Planning & Zoning: Brian Thompson, Zoning Change, 1st Reading of Ordinance #97.2-2018

Brian Thompson was present to discuss the zoning change amendment for two lots totaling approximately .2 acres located at the Southwest corner of Park Street and Fourth Street from Urban Residential (UR) to Downtown (D). The Pendleton County Planning & Zoning Commission held a public hearing and reviewed staff recommendations and voted to approve the map amendment of the 2017 Pendleton County Comprehensive Plan Update. Following the County approval, Brian Thompson needed City approval of the Ordinance to amend the Zoning Map. Council agreed to the amendment since this would allow the removal of a blighted property that is located in the flood plain, and where residential development is deemed inappropriate. The plan is for a parking lot to be constructed by NKY MHMR Properties, Inc.

- Ordinance #97.2-2018 amending the Zoning Map was introduced and constitutes the 1st Reading by City Attorney Brandon Voelker.

Mayor requested to amend the Agenda to add discussion of Blue One Internet provider.

Motion to amend the agenda by Council Member Ernst, second by Council Member Hurst.

Vote: Carson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. Wait, Yes. Hurst, Yes. Ernst, Yes.

Abstained: DeFalco due to her connection with Blue One.

Resolved: Motion carried.

Council Member DeFalco did lead the discussion to explain what Blue One is seeking. In exchange for free internet service, Blue One is seeking an easement for right way of City owned property to the Reservoir Water Tower. Blue One has also mentioned needing access to city poles. The city is asking for a list of everything that is needed and will proceed once all the information has been obtained.

While Brian Thompson was present he provided an update on Planning & Zoning. Thompson stated that as of May 1st the 15% rate deduction on Flood Insurance was in effect. Thompson will be working on an announcement to put in the paper to give all residents an update.

Thompson was asked about the relocation of the stage and what the requirements would be should the city decide to proceed with the project. Thompson requested to meet with Council Member Ernst to discuss the relocation and go to the property to look at what needs to be done. Council Member Ernst agreed to meet with Thompson the following day. Thompson also reminded the City that they are exempt from Zoning Regulations, since the City is a government entity.

While discussing the stage Mayor Stinson moved to #8 on the Agenda: UPDATE ON RELOCATION OF THE DOWNTOWN STAGE. Council Member Ernst stated that he will work with Council Member Carson to put a post on Facebook to ask for estimates. Council discussed doing two separate estimates, one for the relocation and one for the redesign of the stage.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES:

Fire Department - Chief David Marquardt

Chief David Marquardt was absent.

Wastewater Department – Supervisor Andy Richie

Richie stated that the caustic is up and running well and is saving money. They worked on the chlorine room door. Finished painting the labs and are working to get it back together. The aerator is back at the sewer plant. Discussed peracetic acid and told Council he is working with Wayne Lonaker on this.

Public Works – Director Gary Lea

Lea stated things are pretty routine for now in his department. City does have two new taps going out in Cardinal Ridge and they will be working to get those completed. Mower is broke down and Anderson's has loaned the city one. Hydrants have been flushed; he was not happy with the notification of the flushing but it has been done. Guys have been working on trimming a few trees. Council thanked Lea for filling pot holes. Council Member Wait stated a sewer issue by her house and Lea said he would check it out.

Police Department – Chief Spaulding

Chief Spaulding was present and informed council of some free equipment that they received from NKU, some Apple monitors and laptops.

Clerk's Department – City Clerk Chrissy O'Hara

Clerk will be providing updates to Council as needed but no longer during the Council Meetings, unless a project or issue needs to be discussed. City Clerk believes this will be more efficient and more informative for Council. Council agreed and did not have any questions.

Standing Committees

Infrastructure and Public Works Committee - Covered Infrastructure updates already.

Personnel Committee – Meet with Health Insurance and the city will be providing 3 – Options on health insurance to employees.

Revitalization & Events Committee - Shop Keepers met. City Wide Clean-Up went well. Starting to work on 4th of July events. Looking for donations; Chamber of Commerce is thinking of running a discount or doing something for businesses. The parade is at 2:00 pm and fireworks are at 10:00pm.

Finance Committee – Work on budget FY 18-19 numbers. Search and Rescue was present seeking advance on their funds to be provided this year.

- Motion to allot the FY 18-19 contribution for Search and Rescue for \$3,500 now so they can continue to have operating money by Council Member Wait, second by Council Member Carson. All Aye. This allotment will be distributed from the LGEA Fund.

AGENDA

Discussion and Approval to proceed with Enterprise Fleet Management.

Mayor Stinson recommended the council proceed with RFP for Fleet Management. Mayor along with the Finance Committee believe this program will help the City sell our old cars and get established with a better maintenance tracking program.

- Motion to proceed with the RFP for Fleet Management by Council Member Carson, second by Council Member Ernst. All Aye.

Discussion regarding Klee Property mowing and possible barn usage.

Mayor Stinson told council that we have received requests from people wanting to mow the Klee Farm for hay and use the barns and some have inquired on just the mowing of the hay. After discussion regarding the property council agreed to not do anything with the barns due to their current condition and decided to make a web post regarding only the hay. Once the interested parties have submitted their information, a random drawing will be done to pick one.

Contributions for budget FY18-19: KRT, PC Rec. etc.

Discussion regarding amounts for contributions. Council agreed with numbers provided by Finance Committee.

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Classic Cabinet, requesting the City to release their interest in property before they can proceed with a potential buyer.

- Motion to exercise the first right of refusal for the Classic Cabinet building to proceed with potential buyer by Council Member Hurst, second by Council Member Wait. All Aye.


Approval of Municipal Road Aid Program Agreement for FY 2019.

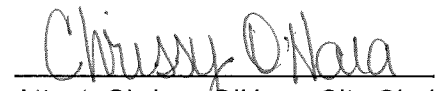
- Motion to approve Resolution for Municipal Road Aid Funding by Council Member DeFalco, Second by Council Member Hitch. All Aye

Clarification of Fire Chief Appointment and process by City Attorney.

Appointment for Fire Chief and Assistant Chief is a two year term, set by City Ordinance. Council would like to get evaluations from the volunteers when the appointments come before them. This is a process the Mayor will take into consideration when deciding his appointments. City will be reappointing in January 2019.

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


Ron Stinson, Mayor


Attest: Chrissy O'Hara, City Clerk