

City of Falmouth  
Special Council Meeting Minutes  
May 25, 2017

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Falmouth City Council met in special session at 6:00 pm on May 25, 2017 with Mayor Elonda L. Hinson presiding. The following Council Members were present: Amy Hurst, Ron Stinson, Amy Hitch, Sebastian Ernst, April DeFalco and Alex Carson.

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.

Animal Control Interlocal Agreement – Tabled until further notice. Council decided to get together and meet with Judge Fields to discuss the agreement and report the findings back to the entire council. Council Member Carson with two or less council members will take the lead on this meeting.

#### Appointment for Tax Appeal Board

Mayor Hinson spoke with council regarding needing an appointment to the Tax Appeal Board for Judge Fields. Mayor Hinson asked for a motion to appoint Gerald Fields to the term serving July 1, 2017 ending June 30, 2020

- Motion to appoint Gerald Fields to the Tax Appeal Board by Council Member Hurst, with a second by Council Member Hurst.  
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Ernst, Yes. Carson, Yes.  
Resolved: All Aye.  
Motion carried.

#### Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy Approval

Council was presented with a draft for the New City Drug Policy. This drug policy was provided by KLC and used as a model to form our new City Policy.

- Motion to approve the City Drug Policy dated May 23, 2017 by Council Member Carson, with a second by Council Member Hurst.  
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Ernst, Yes. Carson, Yes.  
Resolved: All Aye.  
Motion carried.

#### Mago Owner Phillip Crump: Discuss Manhole issues

Tabled – Mr. Crump was unable to attend. Table until further notice.

#### Audit Presentation FY Ending June 2016

John Chamberlin from Van Gorder, Walker & Co. Inc. presented to council the audit findings for FY 15-16. A draft audit was presented and a final copy will be provided when it is complete. City Hall can provide complete copies of the report when requested.

Closed session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) "Discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency"

- Motion to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (c) for discussion of pending litigation against the public agency by Council Member Carson, with a second by Council Member Stinson.  
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Ernst, Yes. Carson, Yes.  
Resolved: All Aye.  
Motion carried.
- Motion to come out of closed session by Council Member Carson, with a second by Council Member Ernst.  
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Ernst, Yes. Carson, Yes.  
Resolved: All Aye.  
Motion carried.

Council Member Carson started by stating that regarding all the information from last meeting till now he wishes we could come together and make things better. To see so many concerns brought forward we must make this a priority. Carson asked the Mayor if she had any insight that she could offer on this situation and what were her goals for the City.

Mayor Hinson stated that she would like to say she would not hurt any employee. She provides hot chocolate on colds days and water for them. Her goals for the city were to see more businesses, see the town cleaned up, streets and sidewalk taken care of.

Council Member DeFalco said she thinks we have tried to work together but employees make the city and moral is down. Council Member DeFalco said the issues have been addressed before but it always comes back.

Council Member Hurst said she would like an action plan.

Council Member DeFalco said there was a previous letter done by Attorney Winters that was on behalf of citizens that addressed the issue of a volunteer getting into city business. Mr. Duncan said he would look into this letter.

Council Member Ernst questioned what to do in regards to the criminal activity.

City Attorney Mr. Duncan suggested council outline the situation and issues. He suggested that if you want the mayor to improve the city you need to inform the mayor.

Following discussion, a motion of no confidence was made by council to show that council has no faith or confidence in the mayor.

- Motion of No Confidence in Mayor Hinson by Council Member DeFalco, with a second by Council Member Carson.  
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Ernst, Yes. Carson, Yes.  
Resolved: All Aye.  
Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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Elonda L. Hinson, Mayor

Chrissy O'Hara  
Attest: Chrissy O'Hara, City Clerk