

City of Falmouth
Special Council Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2017

ORIGINAL

Falmouth City Council met in special session at 5:30 pm on June 8, 2017. The following Council Members were present: Amy Hurst, Ron Stinson, Amy Hitch, April DeFalco and Alex Carson. Absent: Mayor Elonda L. Hinson and Sebastian Ernst

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.

In the absence of the Mayor council made a motion to appoint another council member to preside over the meeting.

- Motion to appoint Council Member Carson as chair by Council Member Stinson, with a second by Council Member Hurst.
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Carson, Yes.
Resolved: All Aye.
Motion carried.

Council Member Carson requested to move item #3 on the agenda to #1 so the City Attorney Michael Duncan's time could be utilized before he had to leave for the county meeting.

All council agreed to alter the agenda.

The meeting started with how to proceed with the investigation process regarding the mayor. Council Member Stinson stated he has spoken with a current employee who has evidence.

- Motion to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (f) that may lead to the discipline, or dismissal of the Mayor by Council Member Stinson, with a second by Council Member Ernst.
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Carson, Yes.
Resolved: All Aye.
Motion carried.
- Motion to come out of closed session by Council Member Hurst, with a second by Council Member Hitch.
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Carson, Yes.
Resolved: All Aye.
Motion carried.

Animal Control update from meeting with David Fields and Steve Johnson

Council met last week with Judge David Fields and Animal Control officer Steve Johnson to discuss the details of Animal Control Agreement with the City. When council received notice before the meeting of the recent termination of the Steve Johnson, they contacted the county. Council feels that even with the change it seems the Animal Control agreement should not have to be altered. The interim appointment is John Bloomfield. Council members said that everything looked to be in place and the county will be

working on 2 external kennels for the city to use and both parties believe that open dialogue between the Animal Control representative and the Chief Spaulding would help matters for all involved. Judge Fields will be making the amendments to the agreement and will provide to the city with a copy when it is complete.

Fireworks and/or Parade Involvement

Parade lineup is 11 am and will start promptly at noon. Prizes will be awarded to winners following the parade. Council discussed the option of having Fireworks. City Clerk informed council that she had spoken with Vito and for them to perform the show you are looking at \$7500 for a 15-minute show. Vito did say they could string together firework boards for the city in the amount allotted to spend however the city would need a volunteer to light them off. Council decided due to the time constraints and being able to plan properly for the fireworks council agreed to contribute to the parade in the manner of prizes awarded and not to contribute with a firework show this year.

Council Member Carson stated that Wes Cain will be deejaying the event as a volunteer. Carson also stated the Board Office would need a copy of the City Insurance Certificate.

The city agreed to have a float to participate in the parade and invite council and the mayor to ride, along with any children.

- Motion to decorate city float for the parade and provide the \$250 for float prizes and \$150 for windows/misc. in prizes for the parade by Council Member Hitch, with a second by Council Member Hurst.
Vote: Hurst, Yes. Stinson, Yes. Hitch, Yes. DeFalco, Yes. Ernst, Yes.
Resolved: All Aye.
Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Elonda L. Hinson, Mayor

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