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City of Falmouth November 7, 2023

City Council Caucus Meeting Minutes

City Council Convened at 6:30 p.m., Mayor Sebastian Ernst presiding and calling the meeting to order. Present were Councilmembers Darryl Ammerman, Joyce Carson, Sabrina Hazen, Amy Hurst, and Luke Price. Also in attendance were City Attorney Brandon Voelker and Deputy City Clerk Shelley Wright. Councilmember Bob Pettit was late.

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and observed a moment of invocation presented by Councilmember Amy Hurst.

- City Attorney Brandon Voelker opened the sealed bids for fire hydrant replacement. Mayor Ernst read the bids, one from Pro Innovations for \$146, 520.50 and one from Allender Enterprises, LLC for \$186,371.11. Mayor Ernst informed Council that copies of the bids would be emailed to them for their review.
- Mayor Ernst informed Council that he had received a letter from Attorney Don Wells requesting the City deed over some lots around the American Legion, Harding-Browning, Post 109. The letter and map will be emailed to Council for their review.
- Mayor Ernst informed Council that the City Clerk's office was working on developing pay scales.
- Mayor Ernst informed Council that the roof was completed at the school center. He also informed them that the electrical work had been started.
- Mayor Ernst provided Council with a spreadsheet showing the actual numbers regarding trash
 collection and informed them that the City was losing money. He told them that other options
 need to be looked at and that this topic would be on the agenda for the November 21 meeting.
- Councilmember Joyce Carson asked about the status of the bridge lights. Mayor Ernst informed Council that the issue has been manpower. After a brief discussion, Council decided that they want a log of the daily duties performed by the maintenance department.
- Councilmember Darryl Ammerman asked about the status of the water rate study. Mayor Ernst informed Council that the study was complete, and a meeting would soon be scheduled.
- Councilmember Joyce Carson asked about the status of the Klee property. Mayor Ernst informed Council that the property has been surveyed, and that it was up to them to agree to sell it. This item will be on the agenda for the November 21 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Sebastian Ernst, Mayor

Attest: Deputy City Clerk