

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CUBA, MISSOURI**  
**TUESDAY – MAY 2, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**CUBA CITY HALL COUNCIL ROOM**

Mayor Cody Leathers called the meeting to order. Aldermen present: Kevin Copling, Dave Honea, Debbie Martin, Warren Graddy, Curtis Holt, Jeff Bouse. Police Chief present: Doug Shelton. City Attorney present: Lance Thurman.

Mayor Leathers requested to table the readings on line item #10, Bill No. 2092 – An ordinance amending the operation and use of motorized alternative vehicles upon city roadways and sidewalks. The document is for review and will present any changes at the next meeting. Thurman stated there are some things not accurate, but would like them to review for any necessary changes. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Graddy, to approve the agenda tabling item #10. Vote: All ayes.**

**Citizens participation:**

Genifer Cape, Crawford County Fair Board, gave an update on the camping spots in Hood Park. There are 27 camping spots on the railroad side that have been measured and marked with some meter bases having 3 spots hooked up and some meter bases having 4 spots hooked up. Cape gave an update on the camping sections being redone and the new ones for a total of 67 electric camping spots not including the generator spots. There will be a meeting with an engineer for the placement of camping spots and then will work on the camper passes.

Cape, stated that there will be a Jackpot Show at Hood Park on May 21, 2023. They have talked with Andy Simpson and Jarrod Boast regarding the lighting in the barn and will also need lighting for the office and other areas. Honea stated that they have talked about the lighting before and will need to get it figured out. Mayor Leathers stated to get with Simpson to discuss and make a decision. Jerry Montgomery stated that the electric was turned on at the area and they found 4 spots to repair that may fix the problem. Honea would like to have the lights, if the strands are purchased, in a locked up area to prevent theft.

**Motion by Honea, seconded by Graddy, to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 18, 2023. Vote: All ayes.**

**Motion by Holt, seconded by Martin, to pay the bills as presented. Vote: All ayes.**

**Surplus bid opening:**

Mayor Leathers opened the sealed bid.

2008 Model Generator 6.8 V-10 Ford engine 150 KW. Needs new rotor and stator. Reserve set at \$1000.00

Gary Campbell                      \$1001.50

**Motion by Honea, seconded by Holt, to accept the bid from Gary Campbell for \$1001.50. Vote: All ayes.**

**EOC Director report:**

Rodney Neff stated that he met with another camera company and they visited all sites. This company can also work with the current wireless cameras and will also consider a discount of the cameras. He will keep the council informed.

Neff stated that all sirens worked during the monthly siren testing. Neff stated that during the last storms the system locked up and had to manually alarm the sirens and will need a new computer and some upgrades. Neff will look into pricing and report back. Mayor Leathers stated now is the time to do so as budget time is approaching.

Neff stated that St. Louis University is considering putting a weather station in Cuba and will know if a couple of weeks.

**Police Chief report:**

PC Shelton gave an update on nuisance reports.

Honea asked about the house on Shaw Street and when it is scheduled for demolition. Mayor Leathers stated that he spoke with Kevin Britton and it will be done soon as he is now done with the necessary asbestos requirements.

Copling asked PC Shelton if the safety vests are good or do they need updated. PC Shelton stated they were gotten last year and are usually good for 5 years.

**Motion by Martin, seconded by Holt, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2090 by caption only. Vote: All ayes.** Thurman read Bill No. 2090 – An ordinance annexing to the City of Cuba, Missouri, an unincorporated area contiguous to the existing corporate limits after public hearing pursuant to Section 71.012, revised statutes of Missouri (Jim Lee). **Motion by Honea, seconded by Graddy, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2090. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Martin-yes, Copling-yes. Motion by Graddy, seconded by Honea, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2090. Vote: All ayes.** Thurman read Bill No. 2090 a second time. **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Honea, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2090. Roll call vote: Copling-yes, Martin-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes.** Mayor Leathers declared that Bill No. 2090 becomes General Ordinance 1221 on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2023.

Copling stated that they need to hire for the Property Management position. There is lots to do and they are leaning on the street department and others for a lot of jobs. Mayor Leathers agreed that there is a lot to do and that would help. Montgomery stated that they are meeting at the pool Wednesday, 5/3/23, morning to address some things.

Martin stated that the airport is getting the figures for a fuel tank and will have to present at the next council meeting.

Martin stated that they have contacted some companies for power washing at the Visitor Center.

Honea stated that he spoke with someone from the Missouri Department of Conservation and asked who stocked the lake at Hood Park. Copling stated that they had been feeding the fish and the lake needs to be cleaned and dug out. Honea stated that the Conservation have some programs of stocking the lake and they can issue citations if not fished properly. Mayor Leathers isn't sure there are problems like that needing addressed with citations but does agree that the lake needs some work and beautification. Copling stated that Pat Myers did give a bid on digging the lake out and he will reach out for an official bid. Mayor Leather suggested Honea to reach out to the Conservation to discuss what they could do for the lake.

Mayor Leathers stated that there is a lifeguard to be hired for the pool. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to hire Diamond Payne as a lifeguard. Vote: All ayes.**

Mayor Leathers stated that the pool employees met at the pool to go thru orientation, aquatic manual and starting the certification classes. Montgomery is going to go check some issues that need repaired.

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Honea, to enter into executive closed session – closed to the public pursuant RSMo 610.021 – Section 17) communications with auditor. Roll call vote: Copling-yes, Martin-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes.**

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Honea, to go back into regular session. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Martin-yes, Copling-yes.**

Actions of executive session:

Thurman stated that in closed session the Board of Aldermen met for communications with auditor and there were no final actions taken.

**Motion by Honea, seconded by Graddy, to adjourn. Vote: All ayes.**

Lainie Garbo, City Clerk