

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CUBA, MISSOURI  
TUESDAY – MARCH 5, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.  
CUBA CITY HALL COUNCIL ROOM**

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

Mayor Leathers announced that Dave Honea is absent as he was in a motorcycle accident and airlifted to the hospital. Mayor Leathers wished him well and a speedy recovery, offering many thoughts and prayers to him and his family.

**Motion by bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the agenda. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Citizens Participation:**

Dan Eidson stated that there is a new business, resale shop, down from the Post Office and they park along Washington making it difficult to see oncoming traffic if trying to pull out at Treece and Washington. Eidson asked if a sign of do not park from here to here could be installed to possibly help the situation as it is a safety concern. Thurman stated that for any kind of ordinance, he would need the exact location and measurements of where not to park. PC Shelton stated that he will get with his committee as there are also other parking concerns in the area and won't be able to please them all. Mayor Leathers asked that PC Shelton report back to the council.

Eidson stated that there is a new business at the iconic Rockfair building and asked if there needed to be council permission to open the facility as it is advertised as a dispensary. Mayor Leathers stated that the stuff being sold in the facility is not to the legal potency level or above limits. Eidson asked if there is a different tax rate for that substance. Mayor Leathers stated that no, not unless it is the actual legal marijuana.

Eidson asked the council if something like an actual marijuana dispensary were to come up, would they look favorably to approve a business license. Thurman stated that is not a conversation for his client in an open meeting as it would be discussed in executive session first. Mayor Leathers stated that a facility like that would also have rules to abide by just like a liquor store.

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 6, 2024.  
Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the executive session meeting minutes of February 6, 2024. All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Motion by Holt, seconded by Bouse, to approve the special meeting minutes of February 22, 2024. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the bills to be paid. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Spring clean-up:** Mayor Leathers stated that spring clean-up dates available are April 22<sup>nd</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup>. This is the clean-up that will pick up household items curbside. **Motion by Martin, seconded by Holt, to approve spring clean-up on April 22, 2024 and April 23, 2024. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Surplus bid items:** Mayor Leathers stated that there are some items that have been recommended to put out for surplus sealed bids due by March 25, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

CPD #02 – 2015 Dodge Charger VIN 2C3CDXKT3FH779128 White, 4 door, all wheel drive, 86,582 miles, needs A/C compressor. Would like a minimum bid of \$8,000. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

CPD #08 – 2013 Dodge Charger VIN 2C3CDXAT2DH720845 White, 4 door, 2 wheel drive, 97,701 miles. Would like a minimum bid of \$6,000. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

1996 John Deere 310D Backhoe 4x4. 5149 hours. VIN TO310DG822688 Would like a minimum bid of \$15,000. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Bouse, to approve. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

90+ HD tote lids. Black. Would like a minimum bid of \$100 for all. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Electric Department:** Mayor Leathers stated that the water department bought a new backhoe this year is their old one is being transferred to the electric department. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the transfer of the backhoe to the electric department. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Transformer bids:** Andy Simpson, electric supervisor, requested approval of transformers.

25 KVA padmount transformer, quantity 5

DSI \$3810/each total - \$19,050

Sunbelt Solomon \$6040/each total - \$30,200

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Martin, to approve the bid from DSI for 5 25 KVA padmount transformers for a total of \$19,050. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

25 KVA polemount transformers, quantity 5

DSI \$1640/each total - \$8,200

Sunbelt Solomon \$1895/each total - \$9,475

**Motion by Holt, second by Bouse, to approve the bid from DSI for 5 25 KVA polemount transformers for a total of \$8,200. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

50 KVA padmount transformers, quantity 5

DSI	\$4485/each	total – \$20,900
Sunbelt Solomon	\$7155/each	total - \$35,775

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Bouse, to approve the bid from DSI for 5 50 KVA padmount transformers for a total of \$20,900. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

50 KVA polemount transformers, quantity 5

DSI	\$2255/each	total - \$11,275
Sunbelt Solomon	\$2865/each	total - \$14,325

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Martin to approve the bid from DSI for 5 50 KVA polemount transformers for a total of \$11,275. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**RFQ for legal service bids:** Mayor Leathers opened two sealed bids that were received.

Cunningham, Vogel & Rost, P.C. and Williams, Robinson, Rigler & Buschjost

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Martin, to table the bids for time to review the proposals. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**MMMPEP – amendment to power agreement:** Mayor Leathers stated to the council that they have the summary of edits of the amended MMMPEP agreement to review and ask any questions necessary and then pass the agreement at the next council meeting. Mayor Leathers stated that these consortiums are good as they always have their clients best interest. This agreement is time sensitive and does have to be approved by ordinance by April. It was discussed that all approve the amendments. **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Martin, to approve Thurman to prepare the ordinance to approve the amended MMMPEP supply agreement. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Park and Recreation:** There was a park and recreation meeting February 13, 2024 and presented the council some recommendations.

Recommendation to check into the phone/internet bills and costs at Hood Park as there is free BlueBit internet also. The issue was tabled as Basham is checking into the services and making sure there are not contracts/agreements.

Recommendation to advertise for a manager and lifeguards for the upcoming 2024 pool season.

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve advertising for a manager and lifeguards for the 2024 pool season. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

Recommendation to accept the resignation of Andreas Viramontes as he moved out of city limits.

**Motion by Martin, seconded by Bouse, to accept the resignation of Andreas Viramontes. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

Recommendation to appoint Rebecca Birkner to the park and recreation board. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve the appointment of Rebecca Birkner. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

Recommendation to advertise to have the flooring done inside the pool building. The criteria to bid is remove the existing finish from the floor, prepare the floor and apply new epoxy with color flake and anti-slip finish, and caulk expansion seams. **Motion by Graddy, second by Holt, to approve advertising the floor project. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Police Chief report:**

Nuisance report: None

PC Shelton stated that they have been working on the police department and the inside is almost done. There was some stuff missed in the original bids, like painting some interior doors and trim but PC Shelton did those himself. On the exterior painting, the old brown metal was missed on the Servpro painting bid and had to get another bid to add that and power washing. The bid is \$6,304.68. Mayor Leathers asked Basham if that works in the budget, and was replied yes. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the Servpro bid of \$6,304.68 for the exterior metal painting. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Holt, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2127 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.** Thurman read Bill No. 2127 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into an amendment to an agreement with Missouri Department of Transportation for a block grant for improvements and renovations to the Cuba Municipal Airport. **Motion by Martin, seconded by Holt, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2127. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Martin-yes, Copling-yes. Honea absent. Motion by Graddy, seconded by Holt, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2127. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.** Thurman read Bill No. 2127 a second time. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2127. Roll call vote: Copling-yes, Martin-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes. Honea absent.** Mayor Leathers declared that Bill No. 2127 becomes Special Ordinance 905 on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Holt, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2128 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.** Thurman read Bill No. 2128 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into an agreement with Missouri Department of Transportation for a block grant for expenses related to Covid. **Motion by Martin, seconded by Holt, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2128. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Martin-yes, Copling-yes. Honea absent. Motion by Martin, seconded by Graddy, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2128. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.** Thurman read Bill No. 2128 a second time. **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Holt, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2128. Roll call vote: Copling-yes, Martin-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes. Honea absent.** Mayor Leathers declared that Bill No. 2128 becomes Special Ordinance No. 906 on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Holt, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2129 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.** Thurman read Bill No. 2129 – A resolution appointing Director and Alternate Director to the Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission DBA: Missouri Electric Commission.  
**Motion by Graddy, seconded by Martin, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2129. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Martin-yes, Copling-yes. Honea absent.** Mayor Leathers declared that Bill No. 2129 becomes Resolution 03-05 on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

Clerk Garbo asked for approval to advertise for summer help. Per Jerry Montgomery, we will advertise for three individuals and will utilize two in the grounds department and one in the property management department and the positions were budgeted. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Graddy, to approve advertising summer help with applications due by March 25, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. Vote: All ayes. Honea absent.**

Mayor Leathers stated that there are some meeting updates. The March 19, 2024 council meeting will be held on March 26, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Lainie Garbo, City Clerk