

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CUBA, MISSOURI  
TUESDAY – JANUARY 7, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.  
CUBA CITY HALL COUNCIL ROOM**

Mayor Mortimeyer called the meeting to order. Aldermen present: Kevin Copling, Sam Black, Debbie Martin, Warren Graddy, Cody Leathers, and Jeff Bouse. Public Works Director present, Craig Bouse. City Attorney present: Lance Thurman. Police Chief: Doug Shelton.

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Martin, to approve the agenda by removing executive session. Vote: All ayes.**

**Motion by Leathers, seconded by Bouse, to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 10, 2019. Vote: All ayes.**

**Citizens participation:** Ms. Marilyn Stewart address the council regarding the Historic Preservation District ordinance and the Peace of Mind white lettering that is located with the historic district. She went through the history of how the ordinance was developed and that each owner in the district received a manual. Ms. Annalee Williams stated that a lot of painting has been done within the district and no changes have come through Planning and Zoning, such as Paulus Law Firm and Frisco's. Ms. Williams stated that the language to meeting with P&Z is in the ordinance. She stated that the person who owns Peace of Mind got his business license and utilities and there was nothing to let him know he fell within the historic district guidelines. Ms. Stewart stated that he is renting the space and that the owners know that it is historic. Ms. Stewart does not see anything wrong with the sign nor the peace signs; however the white lettering on the window does not fall within the guidelines. Ms. Stewart stated that contrary to what City Clerk Nash mentioned, the Historic Preservation Commission meets every month, with the exception of the last year and there are currently no committee members. Alderman Leathers stated that the council decided at the last meeting to eliminate the current ordinance and form a committee to create a new one. Alderman Martin asked if the owner was approached and willing to change the white lettering if that would be within the guidelines and Ms. Stewart agreed it would.

Mr. Woody Martin inquired on how much the city has in the bank and if the city is spending less than what is coming in. City Clerk Nash stated that there is approximately \$7,000,000 in the bank (off the top of her head) and that she can be reached during the day for further information.

Mr. Dan Eidson thanked whomever was involved on the Christmas lights in the Recklein Commons as it was very nice.

Mr. Dan Eidson inquired if the water chlorination was stilling going on? PW Craig Bouse stated it should be going on for one more month.

Ms. Annalee Williams reminded everyone that Friday, January 10 is the Friends of the Crawford County Library fund raising dinner with the speaking Chief Standing Bear. Saturday, January 11 at 11 a.m. is the opening ceremony for the Recklein display.

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**FY 2019 Audit presentation – Hochschild, Bloom & Co – Ms. Tammy Alsop:** Ms. Tammy Alsop presented the information from the FY 2019 audit (attached). She stated the city had no problems and no significant deficiencies. **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Leathers, to approve the FY 2019 audited financial statements. Vote: All ayes.**

**Fireworks Bids:**

There was one bid as follows:

Showtime Pyrotechnics – 2020 \$16,500; 2021 \$18,750; 20200 \$20,000 – to be displayed on July 3 all three years.

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve the fireworks bid from Showtime Pyrotechnics as presented. Vote: All ayes.**

**Emergency Preparedness Director – Mr. Rodney Neff:** Mr. Neff stated that sirens were tested today and they all worked. He stated that RAVE safety is ready to go live on January 13 and will send out a press release with a link.

**Cuba Animal Control Manager – Ms. Missy Mullally:** Ms. Mullally gave the 2019 animal control report. Her total dog intake was 228 and cats 148 (dog intake has decrease and cat intake has increased). The total intake of animals for 2019 was 376 (340 last year in 2018).

Ms. Mullally announced that one of her ACO Izzy is leaving for maternity leave soon and asked if it is a problem if Wil Krienkamp filled in while she is gone. No council member had a problem.

**Public Works Director Report – Mr. Craig Bouse:** Mr. Bouse presented the council with tree bids as there was some money left over in the budget. The area to trim is Theresa Street to Beldon.

Ronnie Woodruff - \$6,750

Brown's tree sevice - \$7,000

**Motion by Bouse, seconded by Leathers, to approve the bid from Ronnie Woodruff for \$6,750.00. Vote: All ayes.** Mr. Ronnie Woodruff, who was in the audience stated all is weather permitting on how quickly it gets done.

PW Director Bouse asked for permission to go out for bids on a trailer in the Grounds Dept as it is a budgeted item. **Motion by Leathers, seconded by Graddy, to approve the bid request. Vote: All ayes.**

Alderman Black inquired if the mixers have been installed? PW Director Bouse stated they will be installed next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Alderman Copling asked Bouse his idea if the council should decide from March to September to put the city on a 4-day 10 hour shift?

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**Police Chief report – Chief Doug Shelton:** Police Chief Shelton would like to purchase eleven rifles that are budgeted for \$5,704.38. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to approve the purchase of rifles for \$5,704.38. Vote: All ayes.**

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

**Motion by Leathers, seconded by Bouse, to have the first reading of Bill No. 1927 by caption only. Vote: All ayes.** City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1927 – An ordinance creating a new section in the City of Cuba Employee Handbook to establish the Employee Alcohol and Drug Policy. **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Bouse, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1927. Roll call vote: Copling –yes, Black –yes, Martin – yes, Graddy – yes, Leathers –yes, and Bouse –yes. Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to have the second reading of Bill No. 1927 by caption only. Vote: All ayes.** City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1927 a second time. **Motion Graddy, seconded by Leathers, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1927. Roll call vote: Bouse –yes, Leathers –yes, Graddy- yes, Martin – yes, Black –yes, and Copling- yes.** Mayor Mortimeyer declared Bill No. 1927 becomes General Ordinance No. 1175 this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020.

Mayor Mortimeyer welcomed everyone to the New Year.

Alderman Bouse would like rent use the entire Hood Park on June 27 for a car show and benefit to raise money for Pvt. Ian Ives. **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to allow Jeff Bouse to put on a car show at Hood Park on June 27. Vote: All ayes.**

Alderman Bouse stated the FBO Travis Pritchett has inquired on a shuttle service/courtesy from the airport. The airport committee will look into once again. City Clerk Nash will check into it again. In the past the insurance agent advised against it.

Alderman Bouse passed out a letter from Connie Echols regarding the Tourism Center.

Alderman Leathers received a call regarding outdoor wood burning stove. City Clerk Nash stated she would pull the minutes regarding the last discussion on that and will send it to him.

Alderman Martin inquired on the utility incentive issue and forming a committee. Mayor Mortimeyer will do that.

Alderman Martin stated the Mayor planned to have a committee to repeal and rewrite the Historic Preservation ordinance. Mayor Mortimeyer will do that.

Alderman Martin inquired on the online ordinances. City Clerk Nash stated it has been more of a project than first anticipated; however, she is working on it. Martin asked if grammar can be corrected on old ordinances. Nash was unsure as she thought they were scanned in.

Alderman Martin stated that she will continue to express concerns on the Mayor days off. She particularly had a problem this last time, as there were no numbers posted on what do to.

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Thankfully Martin got in touch with PW Director Bouse who helped her out. City Clerk Nash stated that next time numbers will be posted. Mayor Mortimeyer stated that if the council doesn't like it, they can change the ordinance.

Alderman Copling would like the council to think about giving incentives for the small businesses in town and even doing something for the citizens of the town.

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

Christine Nash, City Clerk