

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

Mayor Leathers called the meeting to order. Aldermen present: Kevin Copling, Debbie Martin, Curtis Holt, Sam Black, and Jeff Bouse. Aldermen absent: Warren Graddy. Public Works Director present, Craig Bouse. City Attorney present: Lance Thurman. Police Captain Ben Scharfenberg present.

Mayor Leathers asked to remove items #4 the Crawford County variance request and #10 incentives committee recommendations. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Bouse, to approve the agenda with changes. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.**

Motion by Holt, seconded by Martin, to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 22, 2020. Vote: Four ayes. Bouse – abstain. Graddy – absent.

Motion by Black, seconded by Martin, to approve the executive session meeting minutes of September 22, 2020. Vote: Four ayes. Bouse – abstain. Graddy – absent.

Citizens participation: None.

Emergency Preparedness Report: Mr. Rodney Neff stated that all sirens worked. There is no longer a warranty as it ended after five years. Neff will look for an extended warranty.

Neff presented the council with Next Door Program. It is a free app that is similar to Facebook, but on a more local level. He will have it on the agenda for next meeting.

Mr. Neff would like to update the city's ID program. He will work with the police and put it in next years budget.

Neff stated the cameras are doing well. A camera was replaced in Hood Park.

Public Works Director Report: Mr. Craig Bouse would like to go out for bids for another area of tree trimming. He would like to clean up Mueller/Debbie/Mapleshade area. Alderman Bouse asked if all other tree trimming projects have been completed. Bouse stated one has until December 15 and he said he was going to start next week. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Copling to go out for tree trimming bids in the Mueller/Debbie/Mapleshade area. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.**

PW Director Bouse stated that the Sewer Dept will smoke the sewer lines the week of October 19. It will be in the paper and on FB.

Sewer Committee Recommendations: A sewer committee met with Pretreatment Randy Williams. He would like to purchase a push camera for checking grease traps, but the sewer department could utilize the camera as well. There were two bids:

RCI - \$8,010.65

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Vivax Metro Tech - \$8,069

Motion by Bouse, seconded by Copling, to go with RCI for \$8,010.65. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.

Mayor Leathers and PW Director Bouse have been in contact with people on nuisance and derelict properties. They have contacted some homeowners and are working on the problems.

Police Chief Report: Captain Ben Scharfenberg stated that PW Director Bouse keeps him in the loop on the nuisance properties. The problem they have on the administrative search warrant ordinance is once they get on the property, who is going to clean it up. Mayor Leathers stated that we have demolished buildings before and have cleaned up property and if that is what we need to do then we need to do it.

Alderman Martin stated that a garage on Springfield is crashing down. Craig Bouse is in contact and they are supposed to take it down this winter. Martin mentioned the properties on Circle Drive. PW Director stated the last he look it was mowed, he will check again. He is working on getting the trailer moved. Alderman Martin also inquired about 707 Fair St as it is a disaster again. Cpt B. Scharfenberg stated that Officer Robbie Yates has made contact with the owner. Attorney Thurman stated that you can now get on the property with the administrative ordinance and if there are structural problems you can move on that with the dangerous building code section. Mayor Leathers stated to start the process on this.

Surplus Bids:

2013 Kubota - \$11,000 reserve

One bid:

Wayde's Equipment - \$11,000

Motion by Black, seconded by Martin, to approve the bid from Wayde's for \$11,000. Vote: Four ayes. Bouse -abstain. Graddy – absent.

*City Clerk Nash noted that the cadid bid came in two days after the bid end date; however, there was only ONE bid. Attorney stated the bid can be read and approved or rejected.

2011 Cadillac - \$4,000 reserve

One bid:

Todd Deppe - \$4,200

Motion by Black, seconded by Bouse, to approve the bid from Todd Deppe for \$4,200. Vote: five ayes. Graddy – absent.

Park and Recreation Committee Recommendations: Alderman Martin stated the aldermanic committee met along with Park Board president, Rodger Bridgeman and recommend to move forward with the full splash park at \$242,210 and to sand the pool next spring to see if that will fix the problem and save money on the resurfacing. Additionally, she stated that based on the square footage, there was a comparative bid from the other company. They would like to move forward with Capri's bid. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to approve the Capri bid and park and recreation committee recommendations. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.**

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Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to pay the bills as presented. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.

Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to have the first reading of Bill No. 1960 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent. City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1960 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into an extension of the lease agreement with National Medical Billing Services, Inc. **Motion by Black, seconded by Holt, to approve the first reading. Roll call vote: Martin -yes, Bouse -yes, Black -yes, Holt – yes, Copling – yes. Graddy – absent. Motion by Black, seconded by Bouse, to have the second reading of Bill No. 1960 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.** City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1960 a second time. **Motion by Black, seconded by Bouse, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1960. Roll call vote: Copling -yes, Holt -yes, Black -yes, Bouse -yes, and Martin -yes. Graddy – absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 1960 becomes Special Ordinance No. 790 this 6th day of October 2020.

Motion by Black, seconded by Bouse, to have the first reading of Bill No. 1961 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent. City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1961 – An ordinance authorizing the mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a lease agreement with Marco Technologies LLC for the lease of a copier at City Hall. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1961. Roll call vote: Martin -yes, Bouse -yes, Black -yes, Holt -yes, and Copling -yes. Graddy – absent. Motion by Holt, seconded by Black, to have the second reading of Bill No. 1961 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy -absent.** City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1961 a second time. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1961. Roll call vote: Copling -yes, Holt -yes, Black -yes, Bouse -yes, Martin -yes, Graddy – absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 1961 becomes Special Ordinance No. 791 this 6th day of October 2020.

Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to have the first reading of Bill No. 1962 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent. City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1962 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter an agreement with Missouri Department of Public Safety for the 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the purchase of body armor. **Motion by Black, seconded by Holt, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1962. Roll call vote: Martin -yes, Bouse -yes, Black -yes, Holt – yes, Copling -yes, Graddy – absent. Motion by Black, seconded by Bouse, to have the second reading of Bill No. 1962 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy -absent.** City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1962 a second time. **Motion by Black, seconded by Martin, to approve the second reading of and Graddy – absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 1962 becomes Special Ordinance No. 792 this 6th day of October 2020.

Motion by Bouse, seconded by Martin, to have the first reading of Bill No. 1963 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy absent. City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1963 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a contract for tree trimming services in Mapleshade. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Bouse, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1963. Roll call vote: Martin – yes, Bouse – yes, Black -yes, Holt -yes,**

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Copling -yes, Graddy – absent. Motion by Black, seconded by Bouse, to have the second reading of Bill No. 1963 by caption only. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent. City Clerk Nash read Bill No. 1963 a second time. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1963. Roll call vote: Copling -yes, Holt – yes, Black -yes, Bouse -yes, Martin -yes, Graddy – absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 1963 becomes Special Ordinance No. 793 this 6th day of October 2020.

Mayor Leathers stated the President of the Fair Board contacted him and is concerned with an overload of electric if the city does not cap off the number of campers at the fair. PW Director stated that last year there was about 92 campers and per our electric supervisor, 50 is all we can support. Leathers asked if the council would like to set a limit. If a limit is set the Fair President does not have a problem with letting other campers bring their own generator. **Motion by Copling, seconded by Bouse, to table this issue until they look further into it.** Discussion: Copling asked if the Fair Board can set it on their own. Bouse inquired on the liability. Attorney Thurman stated he would be concerned if there were a fire due to an overload. City Clerk Nash stated that the city does send the Fair Board a bill for the camper electric usage, in turn she believes the Fair charges a \$10/day for campers. Mayor Leathers stated more information is needed. Alderman Copling would like to speak with Electric Supervisor, Bob Bowen. **Roll call vote: Martin -yes, Bouse -yes, Black -yes, Copling -yes, Holt -yes, Graddy – absent.**

Alderman Bouse has talked to the Police Chief as he is taking applications for an officers and is not getting in applications because Cuba is the lowest paid. He would like to raise the starting salary. City Clerk Nash stated that although the salary study that was done has yet to be formally approved, the starting salary for an officer had a range that went above the \$35,000 that they advertised, based on experience. Alderman Black agreed that a meeting is necessary to formally recommend the adoption of the salary study.

Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to go into executive session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 section 2) real estate. Roll call vote: Martin – yes, Copling -yes, Bouse – yes, Black -yes, Holt -yes, Graddy -absent.

Mayor Leathers called a five minute recess prior to convening in executive session.

Actions of executive session:

Attorney Thurman announced that the council met to discuss real estate and no final action has been taken.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Black, to go back into open session. Roll call vote: Copling – yes, Martin – yes, Bouse -yes, Black -yes, Holt -yes, Graddy – absent.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Martin, to adjourn. Vote: Five ayes. Graddy – absent.

Christine Nash, City Clerk