

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CUBA, MISSOURI
TUESDAY – AUGUST 17, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
CUBA CITY HALL COUNCIL ROOM**

Mayor Leathers called the meeting to order. Aldermen present: Jeff Bouse, Curtis Holt, Warren Graddy, Dave Honea, Sam Black. Aldermen absent: Kevin Copling. Public Works Director present: Craig Bouse. Police Chief present: Doug Shelton. City attorney present: Emily Guffey.

Motion by Honea, seconded by Holt, to approve the regular meeting minutes from August 3, 2021.

Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.

Motion by Black, seconded by Honea, to approve the special meeting minutes from August 10, 2021.

Vote: All ayes. Copling absent.

Citizens Participation:

Dan Eidson addressed the council regarding the regular power outages in his neighborhood on Kidwell Drive that don't seem to be associated with storms, wind, or lightning. Eidson asked PWD Bouse if there is a reason as to why. PWD Bouse stated there are tree limbs in the lines, but they are being cleared out with the tree trimming that should help. Eidson stated that he knew money was spent on a new feeder line to help with the outage problem, but it is still happening.

Dan Eidson asked about the contract for the animal control manager and if there is an ordinance that states it should go out for bid, or can the council pick anyone when the contract is up. Eidson asked if the council went out for a bid when the animal control managers contract was up and Mayor Leathers replied no. Eidson has reviewed the contract submitted by Missy Mullally, and voted in by the council, and asked why she has not been hired as a city employee instead of being contracted. Thru this contract, Mullally has availed herself to the same raises as city employees and is covered under the city's liability insurance and Eidson does not understand why she is not an employee if the position is not going out for bid. Mayor Leathers stated it is due to cost savings as there are no benefits being paid as there would be with a fulltime employee. Eidson asked if any of the other contractor positions go out for bid. Mayor Leathers is not certain. Eidson agreed that Mullally is experienced and is good at what she does, but there could be a money savings if even hired as a part time employee with no benefits. Eidson thinks it could be done differently, but the council approved the contract.

Sean Retkowski is wanting to complete his eagle project and asking to refix the old jail cell by the railroad tracks by power washing, painting, and fixing the landscaping to preserve the building for years to come. Mayor Leathers asked that he reach out to the Historical Society, Viva Cuba, and any other proper channels of preservation to make sure the original form isn't changed and discuss the project. As long as all agree there should be no problems with the project being done.

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Missy Mullally discussed the issues with feral cats around town. The shelter is aware of the problems and all of the calls, but they are not equipped to handle all of the problems without reinforcement. These cats carry disease that could be passed to pets, they can not be adopted out, and they are aware of homeowners frustrations and are not knowing how to proceed. Mullally stated that there are some hotspots in town with this problem and there will be some notices sent out letting them know some Missouri rules and regulations regarding feral cats and that per the city ordinances only three animals can be had at one establishment that must be contained and not running at large. This information will be added to their FB page, website, and an ad sent to the newspaper being the notice before trapping of the cats will begin. Mayor Leathers agreed that the situation has been addressed publicly and necessary steps need to be taken.

Motion by Black, seconded by Honea, to approve the Stubblefield Properties, LLC rezoning of 803 W. Spencer from R-1 residential to R-2 multifamily. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.

Motion by Honea, seconded by Graddy, to approve the Stubblefield Commercial, LLC annexation to the planning and zoning board. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.

Public Works Director Report: None

Bouse stated that himself and PWD Bouse meet for the PW committee, Kevin Copling was unable to attend, and recommend to hire Dawn Gregory for the Public Works Secretary position. Mayor Leathers asked if Copling is aware of this recommendation, Bouse stated yes he was. Mayor Leathers stated that interviews and committee meetings were held. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Black, to hire Dawn Gregory for the Public Works Secretary position. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** Bouse asked PWD Bouse to inform Dawn Gregory of the position and get a starting date. Mayor Leathers asked PWD Bouse to inform the other interviewees of the decision.

Honea praised the shoulder work on W. Washington Street.

Mayor Leathers asked if the overlay projects have started. PWD Bouse said they would start in roughly three weeks.

Mayor Leathers asked about the intersection of Martin and Charles where a culvert was installed and if it can be patched instead of gravel. PWD Bouse will look into.

Police Chief Report:

Police Chief Shelton presented a liquor license approval for Dustin Doyle and Melissa Neunreiter, new owners of Rock Fair. **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to approve the Rock Fair liquor license. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.**

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Police Chief Shelton gave an update on nuisance issues. Cameron Sanders is doing a good job and handing out citations.

Police Chief Shelton stated that the police camp was very successful with 42 kids and all had a great time. PC Shelton thanked the council for allowing the camp.

Motion by Graddy, seconded by Black, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2018 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent. City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2018 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a contract with Brown’s Tree & Bucket Service for tree trimming services in Barnett Park. **Motion By Graddy, seconded by Holt, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2018. Roll call vote: Black-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes, Copling-absent.** **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2018 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2018 a second time. **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2018. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Black-yes, Copling-absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 2018 become Special Ordinance 831 this 17th day of August 2021.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Graddy, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2019 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent. City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2019 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a contract with AAA Tree Service for tree trimming services on Prairie/Monroe Streets. **Motion by Black, seconded by Honea, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2019. Roll call vote: Black-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes, Copling-absent.** **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Honea, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2019 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2019 a second time. **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2019. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Black-yes, Copling-absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 2019 become Special Ordinance 832 this 17th day of August 2021.

Motion by Graddy, seconded by Black, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2020 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent. City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2020 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a contract with AAA Tree Service for tree trimming services on School Street. **Motion by Black, seconded by Honea, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2020. Roll call vote: Black-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes, Copling-absent.** **Motion by Graddy, seconded by Black, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2020 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2020 a second time. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2020. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Black-yes, Copling-absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 2020 become Special Ordinance 833 this 17th day of August 2021.

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Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2021 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent. City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2021 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a contract with AAA Tree Service for tree trimming services on East Spencer Street. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Graddy, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2021. Roll call vote: Black-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes, Copling-absent.** **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2021 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2021 a second time. **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2021. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Black-yes, Copling-absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No 2021 become Special Ordinance 834 this 17th day of August 2021.

Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2022 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent. City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2022 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of said city, to enter into a contract with AAA tree Service for tree trimming services on Hickory Street. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Graddy, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2022. Roll call vote: Black-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes, Copling-absent.** **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Graddy, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2022 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2022 a second time. **Motion by Holt, seconded by Graddy, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2022. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Black-yes, Copling-absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 2022 become Special Ordinance No. 835 this 17th day of August 2021.

Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to have the first reading of Bill No. 2023 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent. City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2023 – An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of the City of Cuba, Missouri, to enter into an agreement with Big BAM, LLC to hold a Bicycle Across Missouri event in Cuba Missouri. **Motion by Grady, seconded by Black, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2023. Roll call vote: Black-yes, Honea-yes, Graddy-yes, Holt-yes, Bouse-yes, Copling-absent.** **Motion by Black, seconded by Graddy, to have the second reading of Bill No. 2023 by caption only. Vote: All ayes. Copling-absent.** City Clerk Garbo read Bill No. 2023 a second time. **Motion by Bouse, seconded by Holt, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2023. Roll call vote: Bouse-yes, Holt-yes, Graddy-yes, Honea-yes, Black-yes, Copling-absent.** Mayor Leathers declared Bill No. 2023 become Special Ordinance No. 836 this 17th day of August 2021.

Mayor Leathers announced the next council meeting on September 7, 2021.

Mayor Leathers wished Kevin Copling a quick recovery from Covid and hopes to see him back soon.

Black asked PWD Bouse when the tree trimming will start. PWD Bouse replied as soon as possible.

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Holt asked PWD Bouse how the sewer project is going as he would like to get as much done as possible before winter. PWD Bouse stated they are still digging and working on it.

Bouse asked PWD Bouse about the drive approach at Jimmy Montgomery's building off of Highway 19 and Orchard and if a solution has been made with the water draining and the elevation of Orchard causing cars to drag in and out of the parking lot. PWD Bouse stated that yes, Montgomery has been working with a concrete company that has a solution. Bouse asked about the driveways across and if they are going to fix one side, then both sides of the street need to be fixed. PWD Bouse replied that the other party homeowners are to reach out regarding a solution also.

Mayor Leathers thanked Emily Guffey for filling in for Lance Thurman.

Bouse asked PC Shelton about the shoe shopping for the children. PC Shelton stated that Robbie Yates is working on a list of children in need. Bouse would like this to be done before school starts.

Motion by Graddy, seconded by Honea, to adjourn.

Lainie Garbo
City Clerk