

City of Cuba- Council Meeting Minutes
 Minutes Taken from March 24th 2026
 Meeting Held at: City Hall / 403 E Jefferson St, Cuba IL

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cozart at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present:

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Mayor Cozart			X		
Alderman Lynch					

Absent:: Alderman Lynch (for roll call portion)

Quorum: A quorum was declared present.

Review & Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made to approve the agenda, including the addition of All-Town Trash Day on May 16, 2026.

Motion: Alderman Yocum

Second: Alderman Scharping

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Review & Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve Finance Committee Minutes – February 9, 2026

Motion: Alderman Yocum

Second: Alderman Burgett

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Motion to approve Finance Committee Minutes – February 23, 2026

Motion: Alderman Burgett

Second: Alderman Yocum

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Motion to approve City Council Minutes – March 10, 2026

Motion: Alderman Scharping

Second: Alderman Falk

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Motion to approve City Property Committee Minutes – February 23, 2026

Motion: Alderman Yocum

Second: Alderman Burgett

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Public Comment

A resident addressed the Council regarding a nuisance property, citing ongoing accumulation of debris, burning concerns, and encroachment into a city street/alley.

Staff reported:

A third and final notice has been issued

If compliance does not occur within the required timeframe, the City will proceed with cleanup at the property owner's expense

Notice will also be provided to the property owner of record

Water Clerk Report

No water shut-offs this month

A new billing/management software system was installed and is functioning well

City Clerk Report

Issued 5 permits from March 6–20, 2026, including:

Food vendor permits

Solar panel permit

Gazebo construction permit

Community center rentals

Introduced new post-meeting task tracking and compliance checklist tools

Treasurer's Report

The following amounts were deducted from the respective accounts to pay monthly obligations and bills.

General: \$17,790.97

MFT: \$7,221.03

Garbage: \$9,703.41

Sewer: \$3,287.62

TIF: \$182

Water: \$30,483.31

Water Tower: \$589.62

Finance

Total bills presented: \$69,257.96

Motion to approve payment of bills as presented by the Treasurer (one abstention noted)

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
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Alderman Burgett		X		
Alderman Falk		X		
Alderman Lynch				
Alderman Yocum		X		
Alderwoman Clark		X		
Alderman Scharping		X		

(Alderman Lynch abstained)

Motion carried

Motion to make fund transfers as recommended by the Treasurer.

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Lynch			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Alderman Burgett			X		

Motion carried

The Council approved the following purchase orders by roll call vote unless otherwise noted:

Walmart – Paint and supplies

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Yocum

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Lynch			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Alderman Falk			X		

Motion carried

Farm King – Trailer park cleanup supplies

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Burgett			X		

Alderman Falk		X		
Alderman Lynch		X		
Alderman Yocum		X		
Alderwoman Clark		X		
Alderman Scharping		X		

Motion carried

Amazon – Replacement flags for community center

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Lynch		X			
Alderman Falk		X			
Alderman Scharping		X			
Alderman Burgett		X			
Alderwoman Clark		X			
Alderman Yocum		X			

Motion carried

Fulton Mason Publishing – Water billing materials

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Burgett

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Yocum		X			
Alderman Scharping		X			
Alderman Burgett		X			
Alderman Falk		X			
Alderwoman Clark		X			
Alderman Lynch		X			

Motion carried

Adobe – Monthly subscription for City Clerk

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Scharping		X			
Alderman Lynch		X			
Alderman Falk		X			

Alderman Burgett		X		
Alderwoman Clark		X		
Alderman Yocum		X		

Motion carried

Staples – Office copy paper

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderman Lynch			X		
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		

Motion carried

Harmon Trucking – Food pantry truck maintenance (corrected amount)

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderman Lynch			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		

Motion carried

Bass Equipment – Trade-in and purchase of 2026 mower (one abstention noted)

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Yocum

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderwoman Clark					

Alderman Lynch		X		
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(Alderman Clark abstained)

Motion carried

Emergency repair – Community center garage door

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Burgett

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Yocum		X			
Alderman Scharping		X			
Alderman Burgett		X			
Alderman Lynch		X			
Alderwoman Clark		X			
Alderman Falk		X			

Motion carried

Reinvestment of three CDs for 6 month term

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Lynch		X			
Alderman Yocum		X			
Alderman Falk		X			
Alderman Lynch		X			
Alderwoman Clark		X			
Alderman Burgett		X			

Motion carried

Donation approval for Easter Egg Hunt – \$150

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Yocum

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Burgett		X			
Alderman Falk		X			
Alderman Scharping		X			
Alderman Yocum		X			
Alderwoman Clark		X			
Alderman Lynch		X			

Motion carried

City Property

The Council reviewed roof replacement bids and approved the lowest responsible bid:

Paul Bailey Construction – \$8,000 subject to inspection of roof sheeting

Motion: Alderman Yocum

Second: Alderwoman Clark

Roll Call		Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Falk		X		
Alderman Burgett		X		
Alderman Yocum		X		
Alderman Scharping		X		
Alderwoman Clark		X		
Alderman Lynch		X		

Motion carried

Council accepted the resignation of the Community Center Director

Approved posting of the position Community Center Director and issuing a public announcement

Authorized recovery of City property and access credentials

Motion to accept CCC Director resignation, last day March 31st 2026

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Yocum

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Motion to advertise the Community Center Director position and begin the application process

Last day of accepted applications will be April 13th 2026

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Burgett

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried

Garbage

The Council discussed correspondence from the City’s waste service provider regarding fuel-related cost increases.

It was noted that the Garbage Fund is currently operating at a surplus.

By consensus, the Council directed staff to continue monitoring fuel costs and service expenses and deferred consideration of any garbage rate changes at this time.

No formal action was taken.

Police:

Nothing Discussed

Legal

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 26-3-024 Amending and Restating City Purchasing Policy as presented by legal counsel.

Motion: Alderman Scharping
 Second: Alderman Yocum

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Alderman Lynch			X		

Motion carried

Streets & Alleys

Motion to approve the purchase of removable speed bump equipment in the amount of \$2,520, funded outside of Motor Fuel Tax funds

Motion: Alderman Yocum
 Second: Alderman Burgett

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Falk				X	
Alderman Burgett			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		
Alderman Lynch				X	

Motion carried.

Water & Sewer

Nothing Discussed

Personnel

Motion to hire Lucas Keener as a part-time, as-needed City employee at \$20 per hour, not to exceed 32 hours per week.

Motion: Alderman Lynch
 Second: Alderwoman Clark

Roll Call			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Scharping			X		
Alderman Yocum			X		
Alderman Falk			X		
Alderman Lynch			X		
Alderwoman Clark			X		

Alderman Burgett		X		
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Motion carried

Planning & Economic Development

TIF meeting rescheduled; new date to be announced

Old/ New Business

St. Jude Side-by-Side Ride Fish Fry: April 25, 2026

OSF Mobile Services: April 2, 9, and 27

All-Town Trash Day: May 16, 2026

American Legion Quarter Auction: March 28, 2026

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Council Meeting at 8:13 PM

Motion: Alderman Scharping

Second: Alderman Yocum

Vote: All Aye's, motion carried