

**City of Cuba- Council Meeting Minutes**  
 Minutes Taken from April 14th 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.

<b>Roll Call</b>		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				X

**Review & Approval of Minutes:**

The agenda was reviewed. Two items were added:

1. Consideration of porta-potties for the May Spring Drive.
2. Discussion regarding Homefield Energy.

A correction was noted to the agenda listing for the Streets and Alleys Committee meeting date. The agenda was adopted as amended.

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Scharping

Vote: All Aye's, Motion Passed

**Review & Approval of Minutes:**

The Council approved the following minutes:

City Council Meeting – March 24, 2026 (with correction clarifying an abstention)

Motion: Alderman Falk

Second: Alderman Yocum

Vote: All Aye's, Motion Passed

Special City Council Meeting – March 18, 2026

Motion: Alderman Yocum

Second: Alderman Burgett

Vote: All Aye's, Motion Passed

Personnel Committee – March 23, 2026

Motion: Alderman Scharping

Second: Alderman Yocum

Vote: All Aye's, Motion Passed

City Property Committee – March 4, 2026

Motion: Alderman Scharping

Second: Alderman Yocum

Vote: All Aye's, Motion Passed

Streets and Alleys Committee – March 4, 2026

Motion: Alderman Yocum

Second: Alderman Burgett

Vote: All Aye's, Motion Passed

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

**Water Clerk Report:**

The Water Clerk reported on delinquent accounts, including shut-offs and same-day restorations following payment. Shut-off and reconnect fees were charged according to policy. The Clerk noted one instance where payment was confirmed through a financial institution. No Council action was taken.

**City Clerk Report:**

The City Clerk reported on development of a running task list to track Council directives and ongoing projects. Council agreed the task list would be included in future agendas under Old/New Business for ongoing review.

**Treasurers Report:**

Council discussed an increase in employee health insurance premiums of approximately 20.59%. An alternative plan option with higher deductibles was reviewed. The matter was referred to the Personnel Committee for further consideration.

The Treasurer presented warrants totaling \$16,425.02, distributed as follows:

General Fund: \$9,386.93

Garbage Fund: \$884.12

Sewer Fund: \$3,356.00

Water Fund: \$2,797.97

The warrants included utilities, professional services, operational supplies, and infrastructure-related expenses.

**Finance:**

Total Bills Presented: \$16,425.02

Motion and second to approve payment of bills as presented by the Treasurer

Alderman Falk/ Scharping

<b>Roll Call</b>			Aye's	Nay's	Absent
Alderman Burgett			X		

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

Motion Passed

The Treasurer reported on necessary fund transfers, including movement of funds from a money market account to the operating account, transfers within the garbage fund, and liquidation of a certificate of deposit to pay approved obligations.

Motion and second to approve Transfers as presented by the Treasurer

Alderman Falk/ Scharping

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

Motion Passed

The Council adopted a process allowing routine purchase orders to be approved by unanimous consent, with the ability to pull individual items for discussion.

Motion and second to approve the following purchase by unanimous consent:

IMCO stock for public works- \$222

Precision Tank- Parts for Vac Machine- \$646.95

Sams Club- Fish Fry to go containers/ frying oil- \$130.90□

Amazon- 6 pack safety cones- \$85.40

RP Lumber- treated 2x4 and black paint- \$39.20□

Kelly Seed- Lawn fertilizer- \$229□

Walmart- Rubber Mulch- \$51.49□

Dollar General- Gift Card \$54.95□

Amazon- Electronic Keylock and Flags- \$185.44

Turbo scribe- 1 year subscription- \$120□

Camilles- T-shirts & Hoodie for Public works department- \$71.25

Used chairs for CCC- amount not to exceed \$300□

Amazon- Rustproof Plastic Mailbox- \$77.44□

O'Riley's- Tractor oil, wiper blades, oil filter, and truck hitch- \$217.27□

Amazon- Vehicle laptop mount- \$126.99

Corsaw Lumber- Mulch for CCC/square - \$1800

Alderman Falk/ Scharping

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 Passed

The Council separately considered a list of Public Works tools and safety equipment. The purchase, not to exceed the approved amount \$2500, was approved with the requirement that an inventory of City-owned tools be maintained. Motion and second, Alderman Falk/ Burgett

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

Motion Passed

The Council approved the purchase of a basic time clock for City Hall to improve timekeeping accountability. The Council noted this would initially apply to City Hall staff.

Motion and second to approve timeclock for \$195.99

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

Motion Passed

**City Property:**

The Mayor reported that an Ameren grant application had been submitted. No Council action was required at this time. The City Property Committee reported that applications for a Community Center coordinator position had been reviewed. Interviews were scheduled for Monday April 20th at 7 PM

**Garbage:**

The Council discussed garbage operations, including dumpster resale, delinquent accounts, and coordination with the hauler regarding unsupported garbage pickups. No formal action was taken

**Police:**

A police activity report for March was presented, including calls for service, traffic stops, and arrests.

**Legal:**

No Report

**Streets & Alleys:**

No formal report. Maintenance concerns were noted.

**Water & Sewer:**

Motion and second to approve increases to the water and sewer rates effective with the June billing cycle.

Water Rate Increase: \$1.75 per 1,000 gallons

Sewer Rate Increase:

Base rate increase of \$2.00

Usage rate increase of \$2.00 per 1,000 gallons

Alderman Yocum/ Burgett

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

Motion Passed

Information regarding the rate changes will be posted on the City website and included with utility billing.

**Personnel:**

No Report

**Planning & Economic Development:**

A TIF meeting was scheduled for April 29, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. No TIF actions were taken.

**Old / New Business:**

Planning for the Fish Fry and community events was discussed.

Side-by-side sticker renewals will begin May 1

Community clean-up and beautification projects were discussed.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM Alderman Yocum/ Burgett, All Aye's, Motion Passed.