

City of Cuba- Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes Taken from May 26th 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 PM

Pledge of Allegiance:

Recited

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					X

Review & Approval of Agenda:

Motion and second to approve May 26th Agenda as written, Alderman Yocum/ Falk, All Ayes, Motion passed

Review & Approval of Minutes:

The following minutes were presented and approved:

Motion and second to approve May 12th Council Minutes as written, Alderwoman Clark/ Alderman Falk, All Aye's, Motion passed

Motion and second to approve April 13, 2026 – Finance Committee minutes as written, Alderman Falk/ Scharping, All Aye's, Motion passed

Motion and second to approve April 13, 2026 – City Property Committee minutes as written, Alderman Scharping/ Falk, All Aye's, Motion passed

Motion and second to approve April 20, 2026 – City Property Committee minutes as written, Alderman Falk/ Scharping, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Motion and second to approve April 27, 2026 – City Property Committee minutes as written, Alderman Falk/ Yocum, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Water Clerk Report:

Reported on delinquent accounts, including pending shutoffs if payment arrangements are not met

Confirmed resolution of outstanding apartment account balances
Water service shutoff completed for property pending new ownership transfer
Noted requirement for occupant presence during water service activation
Entered updated utility rates into billing system for next billing cycle
Notified council of two-day absence in June

City Clerk Report:

No formal report
Confirmed no active FOIA requests

Treasurer Report:

Bills Presented (May 16–31, 2026)
The Treasurer presented warrants totaling \$65,309.51 distributed as follows:
General Fund (combined categories): \$16,840.17
Garbage: \$10,752.63
Sewer: \$3,428.80
Sewer IEPA: \$3,300
Water: \$30,754.12
Water Tower: \$233.79

Finance:

Motion and second to approve bills totaling approximately \$65,309.51
Alderman Falk/ Burgett

Roll Call			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

Motion and second to approve transfers as recommended 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
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Motion passed

The Council reviewed multiple purchase requests, including:

OMEGA – \$628.93 Weed Killer and Patch Leveling

Amazon – \$53.06 Paper Towels, Colored Paper, Air Freshener

Farm King – \$88.00 water tank pump

Doug Falk – \$50.00 (reimbursement – CC Easter Clean up)

Amazon – \$22.56 Toilet paper

Heritage Tractor – \$882.28 (street sweeper repairs)

Motion and second to approve purchase orders by unanimous consent

Alderman Falk/ Scharping

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

City Property:

Motion and second to approve Homefield Energy contract for the term of 18 months.

Alderman Falk/ Yocum

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

Council noted expected estimated savings to residents over contract term.

Council approved updated fee schedule as follows:

Monthly room rental: \$150

Sports usage: \$150/month (3 day max per week, 2 hour max per day)

Wedding rental: \$250/day (alcohol present additional \$20 per hour for security purposes)

Gym & kitchen (3 hours): \$20 usage fee (deposit \$30)

Classroom rental: \$40/week

Motion and second to Adopt revised Community Center rate schedule
Alderman Falk/ Yocum

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

Motion carried

Garbage:

Spring cleanup event completed successfully
Only one dumpster utilized; second avoided
Estimated savings of approximately \$700
Positive community participation noted

Police:

April activity totals:
144 total calls for service (110 during scheduled duty)
23 traffic stops
4 citations / 20 warnings
4 arrests (including 2 DUI cases)

Legal:

Water and Sewer Rate Adjustments Key provisions:
Water base rate: \$38
Water usage: \$12.75 per 1,000 gallons
Sewer base rates:
\$35.99 (sewer-only users)
\$14 base (Sewer base rate)
Sewer usage: \$7 per 1,000 gallons
Effective: June 2026 billing cycle
Motion and second to Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-05-026 as amended
Alderman Scharping/ 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

Clerk directed to finalize corrected version and complete publication requirements.

Streets & Alleys:

Speed Bumps- Positive feedback reported

Plan to rotate placement approximately monthly for traffic control

Planning & Economic Development:

Fiber infrastructure project progressing; pending provider approval

Tentative proposal includes lease/payment of approximately \$2,000 for equipment placement

No final action taken

Community statue project remains on schedule for June completion

New/ Old Business (No Formal Action):

Bulk Water Pricing, Council discussed concerns regarding underpricing of bulk water sales relative to city cost

Potential future actions include:

Rate adjustment

Installation of metering or monitoring equipment

Evaluation of automated payment systems

Code Enforcement

Tall grass violations identified in multiple areas

Follow-up required on nuisance and bank-owned properties

Adjournment:

Motion and second to adjourn Council Meeting 7:57 PM, Alderwoman Clark/ Alderman Falk, All Aye's, Motion passed.