

City of Cuba- Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes Taken from: June 9th 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:

Amendments to the agenda were requested to include:

- ❑Annual Appropriations Ordinance
- ❑Community Center property tax discussion
- ❑Audit status update
- ❑Alley obstruction under City Property

Motion and second to approve the Agenda with Amendments, Alderman Yocum/ Scharping, All Aye's

Motion passed.

Review & Approval of Minutes:

Motion and second to approve Council Meeting minutes from May 26th 2026 as written, Alderman Yocum/ Burgett, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Motion and second to approve Legal Committee minutes from March 23rd 2026 as written, Alderman Scharping/ Yocum, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Motion and second to approve Finance Committee minutes from April 27th 2026 as written, Alderman Falk/ Scharping, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Motion and second to approve Water & Sewer Committee minutes from March 25th 2026 ass written, Alderman Yocum/ Burgett, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Motion and second to approve Planning & Economic Development Committee minutes from April 27th 2026 as written, Alderwoman Clark/ Alderman Falk, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Recognition of the Public:

Residents provided testimony regarding stormwater drainage deficiencies, including

- Flooding of basements during heavy rainfall
- Blocked or collapsed culverts
- Undersized culvert pipes restricting water flow
- Ditches requiring grading and maintenance
- Standing water in low-lying areas and near residences

Staff confirmed:

- Multiple locations across the city are impacted
- Existing drainage issues are documented and being evaluated
- A prior FEMA mitigation grant application addressed portions of the affected area

Council Direction (No formal vote):

- Public Works to inspect and prioritize affected locations
- Initiate culvert cleaning using jetting equipment
- Clear identified storm drains
- Evaluate ditch grading needs and potential contractor bids

Water Clerk Report:

Approximately five (5) accounts are scheduled for shutoff if payment is not received

Additional delinquent accounts have entered payment arrangements

Monthly meter readings will be conducted on an adjusted schedule due to staff absence

City Clerk Report:

Permit and license revenue reported for the period totaling approximately \$1,065

Majority of permits issued were for side-by-side vehicles

Liquor license renewals in progress (two completed, additional pending)

Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer presented detailed bills and fund activity across all accounts totaling \$69,485.19 distributed as follows:

General Fund (combined categories): \$43,176.29

MFT: \$3,945.70

Garbage: \$912.50

Sewer: \$3,204.70

Water: \$ 3,846

Major Expenditures Noted:

Fuel expenses totaling approximately \$1,309.75

Community Center plumbing repairs (multiple leaks and restroom issues)

Property taxes paid for Community Center: \$5,539.92 (pending exemption refund)

Motor Fuel Tax materials purchase: \$33,945.70

Loan-funded capital expenditure for commodities lot improvements (~\$28,800 transferred)

Finance:

Motion and second to approve bills totaling approximately \$69,485.19

Alderman Falk/ Scharping

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

Motion passed

Motion and second to approve the following purchase orders via unanimous consent

Certain purchase orders had been previously approved in concept; however, final vendor selection and/or dollar amounts differed from earlier estimates and were updated prior to approval:

Amazon – Brake parts (\$14.98)

Sherwin Williams-Community Center floor paint \$201.94 (before discount)

Manito Oil Propane- Oil for Sewer Plant \$317.70

Sherwin Williams- Paint for CC sign \$64.95 (before discount)

Amazon- Tool Set \$828

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

Motion and second to approve payment of \$2,083.96 to the school district under existing sidewalk cost-sharing agreement, Alderman Falk/ Burgett

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

The Council reviewed the annual appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025–2026

Motion and second to approve ordinance 26-06-009 the annual appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025–2026

Alderman Falk/ Alderwoman Clark

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

City Property:

Council discussed water intrusion caused by failing gutter system

Interior maintenance issues linked to exterior drainage conditions

Motion and second to Authorize Clerk to rebid the Community Center gutter replacement project using prior specifications, Alderman Falk/ Scharping, All Aye's, Motion passed.

Community Center Property Taxes:

2024 and 2025 property taxes were paid

Exemption filings completed; refund expected

Parcel structure remains unchanged due to tax implications if leased

Garbage:

No Report

Police:

No Report

Legal:

No Report

Streets & Alleys:

Multiple drainage deficiencies documented during recent rainfall event

Staff conducted field review of affected areas

Council Direction (No formal motion):

Begin culvert cleaning and jetting operations

Clear debris from storm drains

Develop list of priority drainage locations

Evaluate long-term ditch improvement strategy

Code Enforcement – Alley Obstruction

Ongoing obstruction reported in alley right-of-way

Issue involves parked trailer, vehicle, and debris

Action Directed:

Clerk to issue formal notice of violation

10-day compliance period to be enforced

Non-compliance subject to further enforcement action

Water & Sewer:

No Report

Personnel:

No Report

Planning & Economic Development:

Fiber Fast Infrastructure Project

Developer selected a city-owned parcel near the bulk water facility

Proposed purchase price: \$2,000, with buyer responsible for survey and closing costs

Council Direction:

Proceed with survey process (consensus approval)

Construction expected following completion of current projects in other communities

Service installation anticipated to begin in phases (“fiber hoods”)

Mussel statue installation remains on schedule for June

Installation to include concrete foundation and solar lighting

Adjournment:

Motion and second to Adjourn Council meeting at 8:30PM, Alderman Scharping/ Burgett, All Aye's, Motion passed