

**Minutes**  
**Board of Mayor and Commissioners**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**May 06, 2024**

The May Meeting of the Cedar Hill City Commission was held tonight at the Cedar Hill Club House.

1. Call to order: Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order at 6:01PM
2. Roll Call: Commissioner Traughber, Vice Mayor Pettus and Mayor Edwards were all present. City Manager Breeding and City Recorder Richards were present. Mayor Edwards declared a quorum.
3. Prayer: Mayor Edwards opened the meeting up in prayer.
4. Minutes of April 01, 2024 Meeting were reviewed and accepted. Vice Mayor Pettus made motion to approve, seconded by Mayor Edwards, All in favor 3-0. Approved and filed.
5. Communications from Mayor

-King David Cemetery Project: Mayor Edwards gave an update on the volunteer group and community project involving cleaning up the overgrown King David Cemetery project. Vice Mayor Pettus and he had worked with volunteers the Saturday before last in cleaning up. He talked about the progress being made and that the project would take some time but it was important and it was a great opportunity for the community to unite.

-Farmer's Market and Movie in the Park: Mayor Edwards gave his monthly breakdown of community events. He mentioned upcoming Farmers Market in May and the success of the first Movies in the Park and that the movie in May would be "Migration" and that he would be creating the event on Facebook. Commissioner Traughber mentioned advertising it outside Facebook as well.

-Other Community Events:

Mayor Edwards mentioned that he had been approached by a school organization wanting to potentially host a community day at the park and that the City had reserved a date in September for the event.

Additionally, Mayor Edwards said that he had been approached by another group seeking to host a summer food dispersal and summer school supply pick up each Monday from June-July.

Mayor Edwards expressed that it was exciting to see so many local organizations wanting to take advantage of the park and to have these community events there.

Co-Ed Softball League: Mayor Edwards updated the Commission on the potential Adult Co-Ed Softball League being spearheaded by Jordan Stites and that they had been working with each other for a number of months for scheduling, operation, logistics, etc., and that they had reached the point to where they had everything in place to take it to the Commission for approval. Jordan Stites presented the purpose of the league, scheduling, and that it would use fees collected to pay for officiating and the remainder would go toward field upgrades to be conducted by the City. Mayor Edwards explained that the dues and fees would be collected and maintained by the City in separate account and how this would allow the City to generate revenue to put toward the upgrades to the field and concessions stand to potentially host additional leagues or tournaments in the future. The league would run from the end of May to the end of June and would conclude with a tournament championship. Commissioner Traughber asked about conflicting with Jr Pro activities. Mayor Edwards mentioned that the

games would be held Saturday nights due to current use by several local teams and a travel ball team. Jordan Stites mentioned that there was potential for a Fall and Spring Softball league as well and that scheduling would be more flexible after the Summer. The league is shooting for four teams composed of official teams and also Free Agents. Team fees will be \$500 and Free Agent players will be \$50. The league will be first come first serve and all players and teams would be liable for any injuries, accidents or damage. The league will also have restrictions with using foul language and ensure that it compliments park atmosphere and doesn't take away from that image.

#### 6. City Manager Report:

2023-2024 Budget Report: City Manager Breeding updated the Commission on the monthly financials and reported that the City was on track in regards to the budget.

Codes Enforcement Updates: City Manager Breeding updated the Commission on Codes Enforcement Cases. The travel trailer that was being lived in on Railroad Street which was discharging sewage had been removed from the property by the owner and brought to compliance. He updated the Commission on progress being made at the Old Washington Rd property and that it appeared that some efforts were being made but there were still a number of remaining issues but that he was optimistic. City Manager Breeding gave an update on the old service station on 41N. Mayor Edwards mentioned that there had been some progress made with cleaning up the property but the biggest thing was the abandoned cars that the owner had agreed to remove and that there had been no progress in that, but he had spoken to the owner recently and that they would see where the situation was in two weeks and make a determination on moving forward to remove the cars. Vice Mayor Pettus stated that it was important to continue to make progress and that the City was committed to seeing these properties cleaned up by taking the necessary actions.

RCEDB Grant: City Manager Breeding informed the Commission that he had submitted a Grant Proposal for the Robertson County Economic Development Board and its Tourism grant. He mentioned that the grant could only go toward new events or projects that can drive tourism in the community and that he and Mayor Edwards were looking at using the Grant to update and renovate the outdated softball concessions stand which would allow more tournaments and the opportunity to have concessions to further drive tourism and create additional channels for revenue generation for the City. Commissioner Traughber commented that this would really move the City toward hosting more softball and baseball events and reestablishing that presence back into the City. Mayor Edwards mentioned that it would further go along with the goal of having each facility generate positive revenue to pay for itself and future upgrades without requiring pulling money from other important budget items in the future.

7. Commission Remarks: Hearing none, Commission comments closed.

8. Citizens Comments: Hearing none, public comments closed.

#### 9. Old Business:

Ordinance 2024-03 –Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Fiscal Budget – 2nd and Final Reading: Mayor Edwards presented the Ordinance and advised that this is the second and final reading of the 2024-2025 budget and that he felt that the Commission had formulated a good budget to continue to move the City forward. Mayor Edwards made motion to approve, seconded by Vice Mayor Pettus. Roll Call Vote: Traughber-Yes, Pettus-Yes, Edwards- Yes. Approved 3-0. 2024/2025 Budget Adopted.

#### 10. New Business



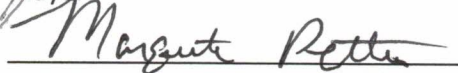
- Teacher Appreciation/Pizza Day: Vice Mayor Pettus presented the Commission with plans for the City to purchase donuts for the teachers at the Jo Byrns schools and pizza for the Elementary school like last year. She said that she had spoken to the Donut Palace for donuts and Little Caesars for the pizza. Commissioner Traughber asked if the city was donating pizzas to both schools. Vice Mayor Pettus mentioned that last year the City had only received approval from the elementary school. Vice Mayor Pettus will schedule the donations and the commission will get together to bring the donuts and pizzas when scheduled. Mayor Edwards made motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Traughber. Roll Call Vote: Traughber-Yes, Pettus-Yes, Edwards- Yes. Approved 3-0.

Co-Ed Softball League: Mayor Edwards presented the Commission with the formal founding of the Adult Co-Ed Softball League which would run from the end of May to the end of June and be held each Saturday night starting in late May. Commissioner Traughber made motion to approve, seconded by Mayor Edwards. Roll Call Vote: Traughber-Yes, Pettus-Yes, Edwards- Yes. Approved 3-0.

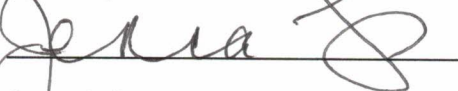
Recreation Bank Account: Mayor Edwards mentioned this would be a fund set aside to keep the fees and revenue generated from the league and be used to pay for officials, other expenses and future upgrades or additions to the softball field complex. Mayor Edwards made motion to approve, seconded by Vice Mayor Pettus. Roll Call Vote: Traughber-Yes, Pettus-Yes, Edwards- Yes. Approved 3-0.

11. Adjourn: Having no further business, Mayor Edwards made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Mayor Pettus. All in favor 3-0. Meeting adjourned.

  
Mayor

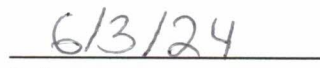


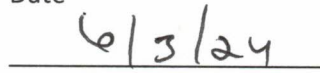
Vice Mayor



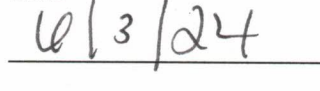
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City Recorder

  
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