

**Minutes**  
**Board of Mayor and Commissioners**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**June 03, 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 June 3rd, 2024, Cedar Hill City Commission to order at 6:01 PM

2. Roll Call

Mayor Edwards performed a roll call. Commissioner Traugher, Vice Mayor Pettus, and Mayor Edwards were all present. City Recorder Richards and City Manager Breeding were present. Mayor Edwards declared a quorum.

3. Prayer

Mayor Edwards opened the meeting up in Prayer

4. Minutes May 06, 2024 Meeting

5. Communications for Mayor

-Co-Ed Softball League

Mayor Edwards informed the board that the Adult Co-Ed Softball League was launched and planned to run the league from June to mid-July. He mentioned that he and the league manager knew it would be difficult due to being on Saturdays but that it would be an excellent opportunity to work out any kinks before expanding the league later on.

-Grants

Mayor Edwards informed the board that they had completed a grant to potentially acquire some AED's Automated External Defibrillators with a request for two units: One for City Hall or the Club House and one for Jr Pro. He also mentioned contacting Senator Blackburn's office to hopefully move the Tornado Siren Grant approval through FEMA grant evaluators.

6. City Manager Report:

- 2023-2024 Budget Report

City Manager Breeding gave an update on the budget report for the upcoming end of the 2023-2024 budget.

- Codes Enforcement Updates

City Manager Breeding updated the Commission on Codes Enforcement cases. He mentioned that there had been several violations that had been brought into compliance regarding living in RVs. He noted that the vacant property on Main Street had capped the exposed well, and the owner was moving forward with cleaning up the property and removing/ securing the previously squatted shed. He reported that Mayor Edwards was handing off handling the Billy Hardin property to move forward. City Manager Breeding mentioned that Mayor Edwards had helped clean up some of the property and mowed it while working with the owner to help get things moving forward. Still, despite several agreements to remove the abandoned cars, no action was taken.

- Stormwater Issues (Mudcat, Jackson, Ellis)

City Manager Breeding mentioned that he had met and talked with several property owners about drainage issues/ ditches. He and the Mayor had been out to the properties to evaluate some solutions, which included ditching, repairing culverts, and having clogged culverts jetted to open them up to allow for stormwater to move

more efficiently. City Manager Breeding mentioned that the City can only expend tax money on its stormwater right of way or property and cannot spend money on assisting property owners with issues related to private property. Mayor Edwards proposed making a motion to move forward on action on Gospel Street Weight Limits to help decrease damage to ditches, the street intersection, etc, from the heavy equipment rental business. He mentioned that the property had an entrance on Mud Cat to access the property. He requested to add that to the new company and move forward with setting weight restrictions and posting signs on Gospel Street if approved.

## 7. Commission Remarks

### - Discuss possible fireworks ordinance to set dates and times for use of Fireworks

Vice Mayor Pettus mentioned that in previous years, there had been issues with folks shooting off fireworks throughout the year and during late hours. She presented several examples from neighboring cities on fireworks regulations and different timeframes to help establish dates and times for fireworks inside the City. Mayor Edwards mentioned that he thought it would be good to allow fireworks celebrating the 4th of July from the Saturday before the 4th and the Saturday after the 4th. Vice Mayor Pettus mentioned cutoff times from shooting fireworks at 10 pm, other than the 4th of July, which would be 11 pm. Fireworks celebrating New Year would run from New Year's Eve- New Year's Day. Mayor Edwards mentioned potentially allowing fireworks for personal events by having a permit that could be purchased for a small fee and be earmarked to go toward Adams Fire Department. Vice Mayor Pettus mentioned that there was an existing regulation on fireworks in the city, but this would help give clarification and make it an enjoyable time for all city residents. Commissioner Traugher mentioned that there had been previous issues with fireworks being set off at the park. The City Council will have the first reading of the proposed ordinance in July.

## 8. Citizens Comments:

Resident Connie Lowe inquired about the location of the code enforcement property on Main Street and if any potential businesses were going in the prior Cedar Hill Market building. Mayor Edwards and Vice Mayor Pettus replied that two potential restaurants planned to open up businesses there. Still, the owner wouldn't allow them to move shelving, use the office, or utilize the walk-in freezers, which makes it unusable, especially given the rent and deposit.

## 9. Old Business:

None.

## 10. New Business

### - Resolution 2024-02 -Moratorium on PUDS

Mayor Edwards presented Resolution 2024-02, a Moratorium on Planned Unit Developments inside the City of Cedar Hill. Mayor Edwards mentioned that this was not a subdivision ban but a moratorium on planned unit development.

Mayor Edwards made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Traugher. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Traugher: Yes, Vice Mayor Pettus: Yes, Mayor Edwards: Yes. Approved 3-0.

### - Spring Clean-up Day - Dumpsters

The Commission discussed having dumpsters delivered for city residents to use during cleaning up. Mayor Edwards proposed June 21-June 23rd. Mayor Edwards made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice Mayor Pettus. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Traugher: Yes, Vice Mayor Pettus: Yes, Mayor Edwards: Yes.

Approved 3-0.

### - Concession Restrooms

The commission discussed opening the park bathrooms during business hours. Vice Mayor Pettus mentioned that there was a need, and this would allow for those using the park to have access at least during business



hours. Mayor Edwards agreed that it would be great and that by opening them during business hours, they could see how it goes and potentially expand the availability, but there would be a need for more routine cleaning. Mayor Edwards made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice Mayor Pettus. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Traughber: Yes, Vice Mayor Pettus: Yes, Mayor Edwards: Yes. Approved 3-0.

- Quote for cleaning fallen tree.

Mayor Edwards mentioned they had been contacted regarding a tree falling over Harding Lane. He mentioned he went out and cut down the tree and cut it up and moved the limbs and trunk cut up in the ditch and that there is a need to remove the debris and have them taken off and chipped. He proposed to allow Hammer Yates to do this for a quote of \$350. Commissioner Traughber made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice Mayor Pettus. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Traughber: Yes, Vice Mayor Pettus: Yes, Mayor Edwards: Yes. Approved 3-0.

-Weight Limit on Gospel Street

Mayor Edwards mentioned adding signage to Gospel Street restricting the weight of vehicles utilizing that street. Mayor Edwards noted that the City Manager Breeding would come up with an appropriate weight and have signs ordered and installed. Mayor Edwards made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Traughber. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Traughber: Yes, Vice Mayor Pettus: Yes, Mayor 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.

Jim Edwards  
Mayor

7/1/24  
Date

Margaret Pettus

7/1/24

Vice Mayor

Date

absent

Commissioner

Date

Betty Richards

07/01/2024

City Recorder

Date