

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 20, 2026

The regular monthly City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Deborah Pinkerton after she declared that a quorum was present. A moment of silence was followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Alderman Neal, Alderman Johnson and Alderman Cook.

A motion to approve the December regular monthly council meeting minutes was made by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Neal. 3-0

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. December end of month balances for each account were read and the January financial report was reviewed. A motion to approve the January financial report was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Neal. Passed 3-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenny Brenton reported the department has been clearing ditches, repairing damage to roads, removing fallen trees, filling potholes on Cedarville Road and Neal Road and worked on Bewley Road.

Officer Jones reported 50 calls for service, 9 assists to other agencies, 10 incident/offense reports, 1 alarm answered, 4 misdemeanor arrests, 17 citations, 57 warnings, 1 motorist assist, 1 code enforcement. The department is hosting an amnesty opportunity to help with unpaid citations and outstanding warrants. It will be held on February 6 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. and February 7 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Fire Chief Cody Cooper reported 5 medical calls. The City and county is under a burn ban due to lack of rain. The department will be winterizing this week for upcoming inclement weather.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City will be hosting a Bingo fundraiser on March 14th to raise money for the city portion of the 50/50 park grant. Approximately \$2500 is needed to supplement the grant for the toddler area being created. Adult prizes are needed for the bingo games if anyone wants to donate.

The new senior center is almost complete. There is enough money left from both grants to fund the paving of the parking lot, driveway and driveway to the

unloading area.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ward 2 Position 1 alderman position is vacant. The following two candidates are up for consideration.

Christopher Bean of 10305 Jubilee Drive is an Arkansas native and has lived in Cedarville for three years. He stated that he will listen to the people and learn what it means to be an alderman.

Delman Burris of 11400 Moonlight Drive has been a resident of Cedarville for 14 years. He is a business man and has the oldest plumbing company in the area. He stated he would also listen and try to be fair.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Pinkerton has ordered new park equipment in accordance with the 50/50 park grant. The prices had dropped since the original quote allowing the mayor to order additional equipment.

Mayor Pinkerton distributed packets of material to the aldermen to review for a UTV ordinance. She asked that the issue be tabled until council has time to study the material. A motion to table the UTV ordinance was made by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Neal. Passed 3-0

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution # 2026-01-20-01, authorizing the mayor to enter into contract with the Cedarville Senior Center was presented by Mayor Pinkerton. A motion to approve resolution # 2026-01-20-01 was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Neal. Passed 3-0

Mayor Pinkerton presented Resolution # 2026-01-20-02, authorizing the mayor to enter into contract with the Crawford County Library System. A motion to approve Resolution # 2026-01-20-02 was made by Alderman Neal and seconded by Alderman Cook. Passed 3-0

Resolution # 2026-01-20-03, approving policies and procedures for council members was presented by Mayor Pinkerton. A motion to approve Resolution # 2026-01-20-03 was made by Alderman Neal and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Pinkerton presented Resolution # 2026-01-20-04, approving the amended 2025 amended budget. A motion to approve Resolution # 2026-01-20-04 was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Neal. Passed 3-0

Resolution # 2026-01-20-05, approving an AI policy for the City was presented by Mayor Pinkerton. A motion to approve Resolution # 2026-01-20-05 was made by Alderman Neal and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Failed: 2-1 abstain.

Alderman Cook asked for a brief pause to allow the council to read through the AI policy. After a brief pause a new motion to approve Resolution # 2026-01-20-05 was made by Alderman Neal and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Pinkerton presented Resolution # 2026-01-20-06, approving a police ride along policy. According to Chief Jones this police will allow officials such as fire department chief, alderman, mayor, etc. to obtain a firsthand view of police work. It will also allow for civilians to job shadow.

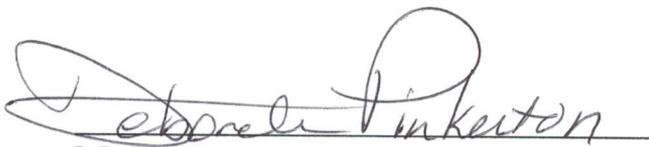
A motion to approve Resolution # 2026-01-20-06 was made by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

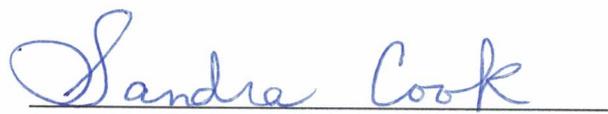
The mayor requested an executive session to discuss personnel. A motion to adjourn to executive session was made by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

A motion to resume regular session was made by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

A motion to announce the appointment of Delman Burris as a new council member for Ward 2 Position 1 was made by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Neal. Passed 3-0


Mayor


Recorder/Treasurer