

**Public Works Committee Meeting
Monday, October 16, 2017
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd floor)**

Committee Members Present: Glenn Linnertz, Kyle Donjon, Bill Hanebutt, Clem Esker, Curt Guebert

Committee Members Absent:

Council Members Present: Mike Reed, David Friess

Council Members Absent: Susan Harbaugh

Others Present: Mayor Tim Lowry, City Attorney Paul Ray, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Administrator Jeff Mueller, Police Chief John Brittingham, Administrative Assistant Pam Poetker, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Committee Chairman Linnertz called the meeting to order at 8:08 P.M.

Old Business

I. Power Plant

1. Plant Report

Eckart reported business as usual. Per Council Member Esker's request, Eckart reported that from 2015 to 2016 G&S electric load was down 50.7%, while total city load was down only 1.3%.

II. Safe Routes to School

Eckart reported that there is still some final paper work to be completed.

III. Trailer Purchase

Eckart presented a quote for an 81X22 tilt trailer. This purchase will be included in the FY'19 budget plan.

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting September 18, 2017

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2017 meeting. Carried

II. Matt Shields Step Increase Apprentice 3 (\$23.75/Hr.) – Apprentice 4 (\$25.90/Hr.)

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve the step increase for Matt Shields from Apprentice 3 to Apprentice 4, with a hourly salary of \$25.90. Carried

III. Sewer Lagoon – Bio Solutions Proposal

Eckart explained a proposal from Bio Solutions to do a survey on the lagoon sludge. This will be added to the FY'19 budget plan.

IV. ITEP Sidewalk Grant Application

Eckart and Mueller will work with Rhutasel to submit an updated application for an ITEP sidewalk grant for the south end of town as a continuation of the Safe Routes to School Project. There will be no charge for the application process.

V. Truck #18 – Authorization to Advertise for Truck Replacement

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve authorization to advertise for bids to replace truck #18 Carried

VI. CenterPoint Energy 2017-18 Gas Sales Exhibits

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Friess, to approve authorizing the Mayor to sign the CenterPoint Energy 2017-2018 Gas Sales Exhibits Carried

VII. Public Comments/Anything for the Good of the City

Committee Member Esker asked Eckart if he could give an explanation of why the electric rates are getting higher. Eckart will check into it and report back to the committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois