

**City of Red Bud
Planning Commission Meeting
October 15, 2019
Meeting Minutes**

The October 15, 2019, meeting of the Red Bud Planning Commission was called to order by Chairwoman Andrea Letcher-Martin at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Andrea Letcher-Martin, John Holzum, Glenn Gielow, J.R. Hudson,
Jeff Hicks, Janet Braun, Larry Mehring

PC Members Absent: David Wittenhauer, Rob Aubuchon,

Others City Officials Present: Susan Harbaugh, City Council Member
Jeff Mueller, City Code Administrator

In the Audience: No One

Meeting Minutes:

Chairwoman Andrea Letcher-Martin opened the meeting indicating that there was no hearing scheduled. She also did not have prior 2 months minutes due to technical difficulties. So she ask for anything for the good of the order.

General Discussions:

Jeff indicated that Andrea could forward anything she needed printed to him at the City Utilities office. This would avoid the problems she has been having getting items printed at City Hall. This is the second month that the minutes are being tabled till next month because the printing not getting done for the meeting.

Jeff Mueller indicated that the Marijuana issues have been taken off our itinerary for now. City attorney Paul Ray along with the IML (Illinois Municipal League) will work through the related issues and pass to the council. If a hearing is required it may pass back to us at that point.

John Holzum ask Sue Harbaugh for her input regarding her visits to Cannabis retailers and cities in Colorado on a recent trip. She had indicated last month that she was going there on vacation and would stop in at a retailer and cities to see what impact this has had on their lives.

I included her handout following the minutes.

She indicated that Colorado is about 1/3 the population of Illinois so that should be taken into account. Her information regarding this shows Illinois being divided into zones with only 3 licenses being issued in our zone and her impression was that those 3 licenses would go to Mt Vernon, Harrisburg, and Carmi. With that being the assumption this won't be affecting Red Bud initially anyway.

Sue spoke with a retail store owner who was very accommodating. She also had revenue numbers from several cities in Colorado. The numbers are shown in her report following these minutes. She did not speak with any law enforcement and thought she might ask our police chief Brittingham to call out there to see what impact this industry has had on their day to day activities.

Andrea ask for motion to adjourn. Jeff Hicks made that motion with second by Janet Braun. All voted to adjourn. .

Respectfully submitted.

Glenn Gielow
Secretary

Sue Harbaugh Handout:

Marijuana research, fall 2019

City of Pueblo, CO
Population 111,xxx
8 facilities

Apr sales tax = \$68,123
May sales tax = \$74,459
Jun sales tax = \$79,082
Jul sales tax = \$87,057

City of Durango, CO
Population 18,xxx
10 facilities

Apr sales tax = \$58,434
May sales tax = \$70,727
Jun sales tax = \$66,855
Jul sales tax = \$63,932
Aug sales tax = \$93,106

City of Silverton, CO
Population 650
2 facilities

2018 sales tax = \$13,958
2017 sales tax = \$13,859

At the state level,
For Colorado Jan thru Aug 2019
10% of total remitted is sent to municipalities = \$13,671,685
90% is retained = \$122,990,809
That extrapolates annually to \$20.5 million for municipalities
and \$184.4 million for the state

We visited the CannaFarmer Farm Store Silverton just outside Silverton, CO.
We had to show our IDs to enter the sales area, and we were given a tour of
the growing operation. Website is cannafarmer.com
The owner was a CPA in Denver prior to opening the shop. The woman that
works there previously did medical coding and billing.

Susan L Harbaugh
October 7, 2019