

**CITY OF RED BUD, ILLINOIS
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021
Red Bud City Hall
City Council Chambers**

The City Council of Red Bud, Randolph County, Illinois met on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at Red Bud City Hall, City Council Chambers.

Members Present: Mayor Tim Lowry, Clem Esker, Curt Guebert, Jeremy DeMond, Rodney Nevois, Susan Harbaugh

Members Absent: Mike Rheinecker, Bill Hanebutt, Kyle Donjon

Others Present: City Attorney Paul Ray, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Administrator Jeff Mueller (Remote), Police Chief John Brittingham, Admin. Assist. Pam Poetker, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

I. Call to Order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Lowry.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call by City Clerk Joanne Cowell

IV. Approval of Financial Statements

Motion made by Council Member Harbaugh, seconded by Council Member Guebert to approve the Financial Statements as presented and file for audit. The vote was as follows: Esker, aye; Guebert, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye. Motion carried.

V. Line-Item Transfers
None

VI. Approval of Estimated and Listed Bills

Motion made by Council Member Harbaugh, seconded by Council Member DeMond, to approve the estimated and listed bills. The vote was as follows: Guebert, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye. Motion carried.

VII. Consideration of any Additional Bills
There were none.

VIII. Correspondence and Public Guest Comments

A. Girl Scouts Proclamation

Mayor Lowry welcomed the numerous Girl Scouts and Leaders in attendance to the meeting and thanked them for their many hours of service to the community, as they work toward badges. He read the proclamation marking March 7 – 13, 2021 as Girl Scout Week. He welcomed the girls to take pictures after the meeting.

Mayor Lowry presented a plaque to State Representative David Friess for his dedication and service to the City of Red Bud, Ward III Alderman from January 2016 – 2021.

IX. Consent Agenda—Items Originated at Committee Level

Please note: Items with ** were removed from the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda – Items Originated at Committee Level as Indicated in ()

- A. City Council Meeting Minutes from February 1, 2021 and February 22, 2021
Approval of minutes from City Council Meeting February 1, 2021 and February 22, 2021

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- B. FY'20 Surplus Funds Transfer to Capital Plans (Finance)
Approval of authorization to transfer the FY'20 Surplus Funds in the amount of \$494,669.94, as illustrated on the handout: Streets - \$111,105, Police - \$20,000, City Hall & Code Admin. - \$316,564.94, Park -\$47,000.

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- C. COVID Vaccinations Incentive (Personnel)
Authorization of approval of \$25 incentive gift cards for employees who elect to be vaccinated for COVID

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- D. FOP Negotiations (Public Health and Safety)
Authorization of approval to hire attorney Barney Mundorf for the FOP negotiations

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

E. Canine Vehicle (Public Health and Safety)

Approval of authorization to purchase a Dodge Durango SUV from Weir and the necessary equipment for the canine program, NTE \$43,000 total, to be purchased in the next fiscal year

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

F. Request from Randolph County Relay for Life (Cultural)

Approval of authorization of request from Randolph County Relay for Life to use Ratz Park pavilions 1 and 3 on September 11, 2021, (inclement weather date of September 18, 2021), less fee

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

G. Training Request – Pesticide Applicator/Operator Testing (Public Works)

Approval of authorization to send Hunter Bauer, Adren Walsh, Chad Grohmann and Chris Remick to training entitled “Pesticide Applicator/Operator Testing License Renewal” in Waterloo on March 25, 2021, with a cost of license renewal. Transportation is required.

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

H. Proposal from Hydro-Kinetics Corporation (Public Works)

Approval of authorization of the purchase of SCADA Systems Updates as proposed by Hydro-Kinetics, NTE \$3,400

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

I. Pool Season Repairs (Recreational Facilities)

Approval of authorization to bid the pool projects

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

J. Community Garden Boxes (Recreational Facilities)

Approval of authorization to purchase supplies for more garden boxes, NTE \$1,500

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- K. Authorization to Purchase Trash Receptacles and Picnic Table (Recreational Facilities)
Approval of authorization to purchase four trash receptacles (2 – Ratz, 2 – Lincoln Park) from Ultra Site, NTE \$4,100 and purchase six red picnic tables for Lincoln Park from Ultra Site, at \$901.35/each

Motion made by Council Member Esker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- X. Reports of Standing Committee, Departments and Other Committees, Boards & Commissions
 - A. Finance Committee - Meeting February 22, 2021
 - 1. Maturing CDs
None
 - B. Personnel Committee – Meeting February 22, 2021
 - 1. COVID Cares Act Paid Leave Ordinance No. 1454

Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Esker, to approve ORDINANCE NO. 1454, “AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO COVID-19 PAID LEAVE.” The vote was as follows: Nevois, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye; DeMond, aye. Motion carried.

- C. Public Health & Safety Committee - Meeting February 22, 2021
Nothing to report
- D. Public Works Committee - Meeting February 22, 2021
Nothing to report
- E. Zoning Committee - Meeting February 22, 2021
Nothing to report
- F. Cultural Committee - Meeting February 22, 2021
 - 1. Request from YMCA to Reserve Ratz Park Soccer Field on Saturday mornings from 9 A.M. – Noon, Beginning March 27 – May 22, 2021

Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Esker, to authorize approval of the request from the YMCA to reserve Ratz Park Soccer Field on Saturday mornings from 9 A.M. – noon, beginning March 27 – May 22, 2021. The vote was as follows: Harbaugh, aye; Esker, aye; Guebert, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye. Motion carried.

- G. Executive Session Minutes Review Committee – No Meeting

Nothing to report

- H. Planning Commission – February 16, 2021
Nothing to report
- I. Economic Development Commission – No Meeting
Nothing to report
- J. Recreational Facilities Committee – Meeting February 22, 2021
Nothing to report
- K. Parks and Recreation Committee – Meeting February 3, 2021
Council Member DeMond noted that the next meeting will be Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

Superintendent Eckart mentioned that the water leak on the north side of the pool deck will need to be addressed and he had forgotten to list this on the handout for the committee meetings.

- XI. Old Business
None

- XII. New Business

- A. Review of March Calendar
The Library Board meeting is Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.
- B. Other Comments
Council Member Esker thanked the utility department for their assistance in clearing the streets and setting up barricades for St. Peter's UCC fish fry.

Mayor Lowry acknowledged the utility department for the excellent service they provided to the city with during the recent snow/cold weather.

- C. Adjournment

Motion made at 6:10 P.M. by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Esker, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was as follows: all ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois