

**CITY OF RED BUD, ILLINOIS
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021
Red Bud City Hall
City Council Chambers**

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

Members Present: Mayor Tim Lowry, Ben Schwartzkopf, Curt Guebert, Mike Rheinecker, Bill Hanebutt, Jeremy DeMond, Rodney Nevois, Kyle Donjon, Susan Harbaugh

Members Absent:

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

Others Absent: City Superintendent Josh Eckart

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 Rheinecker to approve the Financial Statements as presented and file for audit. The vote was as follows: Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, 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 Hanebutt, to approve the estimated and listed bills. The vote was as follows: Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye. Motion carried.

VII. Consideration of any Additional Bills
There were none.

VIII. Correspondence and Public Guest Comments

Janel Kassing, 328 S. Main St., addressed the council regarding the water main break in front of Lois Mesnarich's home, which resulted in water in the basements of her and Lois Mesnarich's residence, due to the work that IDOT (E T Simonds) has been doing on South Main St. She noted that she has been in contact with IDOT and Superintendent Eckart and no one seems to want to take responsibility for the damage. Ms. Kassing has requested to be put on the committee meeting agenda on July 19, 2021, to discuss what can be done to help their situation.

Lois Mesnarich, 324 S. Main, also addressed the council regarding the mold in her home due to the water main break.

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 June 7, 2021

Approval of minutes from June 7, 2021, council meeting

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

B. Authorization to Apply for Body Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies Grant (Public Health & Safety)

Approval of authorization to apply for "Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies" grant

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

C. Request from Humane Society to Collect at Four-Way (Cultural)

Authorization to approve the request from Randolph County Humane Society to collect at the 4-way on September 17, 2021, 2:00-6:00 P.M. and September 18, 2021, 8:00 A.M.-Noon

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

D. Permanent Street Program Proposal from Moore Asphalt, Inc. (Public Works)

Approval of authorization to accept the proposal from Moore Asphalt, Inc, for the permanent street program, in the amount of \$33,850

Motion made by Council Member Rheinecker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K.

The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- E. Proposal from The Pump Shop – Golf Course Lift Station (Public Works)
Approval of authorization to accept the proposal from The Pump Shop in the amount of \$22,204, for the golf course lift station check valve replacement

Motion made by Council Member Rheinecker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K.

The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- F. Proposal from Ron Johnson for Sidewalks on W. Field Street (Public Works)
Approval of authorization to accept the proposal from Ron Johnson to complete the sidewalk on West Field from the end of Fieldstone Subdivision to Country Club Drive, in the amount of \$6,998

Motion made by Council Member Rheinecker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K.

The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- G. Proposal from Invertek Drives Midwest, LLC (Public Works)
Approval of authorization to accept the proposal from Invertek Drives Midwest, LLC, for the VFD for the wells, in the amount of \$22,064.50

Motion made by Council Member Rheinecker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K.

The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- H. Sale of Excess Goods on GovDeals (Public Works)
Approval of authorization to sell excess materials on GovDeals

Motion made by Council Member Rheinecker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K.

The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- I. Clint Crafton to Gas Journeyman (Public Works)
Approval of authorization to move Clint Crafton to gas journeyman at an hourly rate of \$27.82, with the first full pay period after the July 6th council meeting

Motion made by Council Member Rheinecker, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through K.

The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

- J. Proposal from Ron Johnson to Construct Sidewalks at Lion's Park (Recreational Facilities)

Approval of authorization to accept the proposal from Ron Johnson to construct the sidewalk at the Lion's Park, NTE \$9,250, with only the concrete funded with Henry Thielen Trust

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

- K. Ratz Park Sidewalk – Ron Johnson Proposal (Recreational Facilities)
Approval of authorization to accept the proposal from Ron Johnson, NTE \$3,000, with the Henry Thielen fund to cover the cost of concrete, to construct a sidewalk from Ratz Park Pavilion #1 to the existing wood ramp/bridge

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

X. Reports of Standing Committee, Departments and Other Committees, Boards & Commissions

A. Finance Committee - Meeting June 21, 2021

1. Maturing CDs
None

2. Approval of Agreement with Fick, Eggemeyer and Williamson for Audit

Motion made by Council Member Harbaugh, seconded by Council Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval of the agreement with Fick, Eggemeyer and Williamson to perform the FY'21 Audit. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye. Motion carried.

3. Approval of UniCare Policy (No Premium Increase)

Motion made by Council Member Harbaugh, seconded by Council Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval of the Unicare renewal (life insurance- no rate increase), as presented. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Guardian Policy (No Premium Increase)

Motion made by Council Member Harbaugh, seconded by Council Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval of the Guardian Vision/Dental rate renewal (no rate increase), as presented. The vote was as follows: Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye. Motion carried.

- B. Personnel Committee - Meeting June 21, 2021

Nothing to report

- C. Public Health & Safety Committee - Meeting June 21, 2021

Nothing to report

- D. Cultural Committee - Meeting June 21, 2021

1. Request from Beautification Committee to Collect at Four-Way on November 12-13, 2021

Motion made by Council Member DeMond, seconded by Council Member Donjon, to authorize approval of the request from the Beautification Committee to collect at the four-way on November 12, 2021, 2:00-5:00 P.M. and November 13, 2021, 8:00 A.M. to Noon. The vote was as follows: Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye. Motion carried.

2. Requests from Santa's Village Beginning November 1, 2021 – January 2022

Motion made by Council Member DeMond, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to authorize approval of the multiple requests from the Santa's Village Committee, November 1, 2021 – January 2022, as presented. The vote was as follows: Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye. Motion carried

3. Request from Chamber to Use Lincoln Park on July 17, 2021, for Movie Night

Motion made by Council Member DeMond, seconded by Council Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval of the request from the Chamber of Commerce to use Lincoln Park on July 17, 2021, for a Movie Night and have mobile food vendors on premises. The vote was as follows: Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye. Motion carried.

4. Request from Voss Auctions, LLC to Close a Portion of Bloom Street on September 18, 2021

Motion made by Council Member DeMond, seconded by Council Member Harbaugh, to authorize approval of the request from Voss Auctions, LLC for a partial street closure of Bloom Street from E. S. 5th St. to Rose St. for the Dellmer Asher estate auction on September 18, 2021. The vote was as follows: Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye. Motion carried.

- E. Public Works Committee – Meeting June 21, 2021

1. Chris Remick Resignation

Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Hanebutt, to approve authorization to accept the letter of resignation from Chris Remick, with his

last day being July 9, 2021. The vote was as follows: Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.

2. Authorization to Advertise for Vacancy

Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval to advertise the vacant position. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye. Motion carried.

F. Zoning Committee - Meeting June 21, 2021
Council Member Nevois mentioned that there will be three special use and one zoning amendment hearing at the meeting on July 12, 2021, at 7:00 P.M.

G. Executive Session Minutes Review Committee – No Meeting
Nothing to report

H. Planning Commission – No Meeting
Nothing to report

I. Economic Development Commission – No Meeting
Nothing to report

J. Recreational Facilities Committee – Meeting June 21, 2021
1. Bike Rack Donation

Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Guebert, to authorize approval to accept the donation of bike racks, as proposed by UltraSite, at Ratz Park, Lincoln Park, City Parking Lot (Sporto's), City Hall and the Community Garden. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Harbaugh, aye; Schwartzkopf, aye; Guebert, aye; Rheinecker, aye; Hanebutt, aye. Motion carried.

K. Parks and Recreation Committee – Meeting June 2, 2021
Council Member Donjon noted that the next meeting is July 7, 2021, at 6:30 P.M.

XI. Old Business
None

XII. New Business

A. Resignation of Mayor Lowry

Mayor Lowry read the following statement:

“This evening there is a spot on the agenda regarding my resignation as Mayor. There is a pending issue I have personally, which will cause me to take this action. I want to be clear that this issue has nothing to do with the City of Red Bud, nor any of my actions as Mayor. Due to this pending issue,

I am not at liberty to publicly comment at this time. It has been brought to my attention that allowing some additional time, for me to formally take care of current duties, would be beneficial to the city. This would also help the city council to ensure the transition would be done with the least amount of disruption. For this reason, I will postpone my official resignation until a later date in July.”

No action

B. Election of New Mayor

No action

C. Review of July Calendar

No changes/additions

D. Other Comments

Discussion took place regarding the procedure of appointing an acting mayor to fulfill the unexpired term (04/30/2023) of the mayor. There will be a special city council meeting on July 19, 2021, before the committee meetings, to appoint an acting mayor.

E. Adjournment

Motion made at 6:23 P.M. by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Rheinecker, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was as follows: all ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell
City Clerk, Red Bud, Illinois