

**Finance Committee Meeting
Monday, October 17, 2016
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd floor)**

Committee Members Present: Mike Reed, Bill Hanebutt, Clarence Nail, Clem Esker, David Friess

Council Members Present: Kyle Donjon, Glenn Linnertz, Donald Thompson

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 Reed called the meeting to order at 7:23 P.M.

Old Business

I. Red Bud Public Library Building Project

1. Project Update

Superintendent Eckart reported on the progress at the library. Asbestos testing of some tiles is being done.

2. Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance No. 1365

Recommendation made by Committee Member Nail, seconded by Committee Member Esker, to approve Ordinance No. 1365, "Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance" moving \$120,000 from the General Fund, Transfers Out to the Library Fund, Capital Outlay-Buildings and to add Ordinance No. 1365 to the consent agenda. Carried

II. City Hall Scanning Project

Recommendation made by Committee Member Nail, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to reinstate the authorization to purchase from Square9, the scanning software, in the quoted amount of \$10,890 and from Americom Imaging Systems, Inc., the scanner hardware, in the amount of \$1,400. Carried

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2016

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Reed, seconded by Committee Member Nail, to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2016 meeting. Carried

II. Maturing CDs

None

III. Health Insurance – Bill Schmaltz

1. Program Update.

Mr. Schmaltz has received the renewal increase rate of 4%. The city is continuing to transfer at the same rate as the employee cost in 2006 and that fund currently has a balance of \$57,765.43. A 10% rate increase is suggested for the monthly budgeted per employee transfer. Elected officials would be eligible, by federal law, if they are expected to work, on a regular weekly basis, 30 hours a week, or more. Employers can lower this requirement. Tracking hours for eligibility is self-regulated, rather than regulated by the insurance industry. What the Mayor is asking for in coverage, is that he be allowed to participate in the group health plan, without the employee benefits of reimbursement between the 250/500 deductible and the 5,000 deductible and no pharmacy coverage, other than what the Coventry Plan would cover. Attorney Ray questioned whether elected officials are considered employees, by ACA law, or not.

Recommendation made by Committee Member Esker, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the renewal health insurance policy as presented by Bill Schmaltz. Carried

Recommendation made by Committee Member Esker, seconded by Committee Member Nail, to approve creating an ad hoc committee for the purpose of studying the insurance proposals, the program update and the eligibility request by the Mayor and to bring a proposal back to the committee at the November committee meetings for action. Carried

Recommendation made by Committee Member Esker, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the per employee increase transfer rate by approximately 10% to the health insurance fund. Carried

- 2. Coverage Changes as a Supplemental Policy**
Discussed under #1
- 3. Eligibility Request by Mayor**
Tabled until November committee meetings

IV. Parks and Swimming Pool

1. Swimming Pool Renovations.

Committee Chairman Reed asked Mrs. Poetker to follow up on the final invoice/report from the YMCA for the pool.

Committee Member Nail reported that Midwest Pools came and looked at putting in a splash pool that would be a total self-contained unit. He is waiting for a proposal, but a similar project cost \$317,000 and a possible start date would not be until September, 2017.

2. Swimming Pool Management Information

Committee Member Nail said that he had talked to Pool Management about running the pool and they came back with an estimate of \$60,000,

which is a lot higher than what the city is paying the YMCA. The possibility of the city buying additional insurance to enable changing the age limit policy of the YMCA was discussed.

3. Crack Fill – Walking Trail

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Reed, seconded by Committee Member Nail, to approve the bid award to Moore Asphalt, Inc., in the amount of \$6,370, to repair the cracks in the Lincoln Park walking trail. Carried

V. G & S Building – Potential Executive Session

Recommendation made by Committee Member Esker, seconded by Committee Member Nail, to enter into executive session for the purpose of purchase of real property. Carried

Council went into executive session at 8:23 P.M. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5))

Council returned from executive session at 8:59 P.M.

No action taken

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

None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:59 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois