

**Finance Committee Meeting  
Monday, March 20, 2023  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Committee Members Present: Rodney Nevois, Bill Hanebutt, Mike Rheinecker,  
Ben Schwartzkopf, Alan Piel

Committee Members Absent: None

Council Members Present: Curt Guebert, Jeremy DeMond, Kyle Donjon

Others Present: Acting Mayor Susan Harbaugh, Attorney Paul Ray,  
City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Police Chief John  
Brittingham, Admin. Assist. Pam Poetker, City Clerk  
Joanne Cowell

Committee Chairman Nevois called the meeting to order at 6:24 P.M.

Old Business

**I. FY'24 Budget Draft**

The budgets and summary sheets are in the packets for review. Meetings have been held with each department. The budget will be on the April committee agenda, along with the purposed appropriation ordinance for recommended approval. If anyone has any questions or changes, please contact Pam or Liz. The goal is to hold the public hearing and approve the budget and appropriation ordinance at the May council meeting.

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2023**

*Recommendation made by Committee Member Rheinecker, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2023, meeting.  
Carried*

**II. CD Information**

**A. Maturing CDs**

None

**B. Additional Funds for Investing**

Poetker is working with Liz on funds to be invested and will have rates available for recommendation.

**C. Interest Income**

Poetker asked the committee if the interest on CDs should follow the original funds invested, or if it should be allocated/restricted. She mentioned this for thought.

**III. Financial Dashboard**

Chairman Nevois reviewed the financial summary. The budget is at 83% of the year, the revenue is 20% over the budget, while expenses are at 41% of the budget.

**IV. Authorization to Apply for Grants**

**A. Congressionally Directed Spending – Bost’s and Duckworth’s Office (EIP)**

**B. Preservation Heritage Fund Grant – City Hall Repairs**

**C. Leadership Council Grant for Comprehensive Plan**

*Recommendation made by Committee Member Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to approve authorization for Pam Poetker to apply for all three grants (Congressionally Directed Spending – Bost’s and Duckworth’s Office -EIP, Preservation Heritage Fund Grant – City Hall Repairs and the Leadership Council Grant - Comprehensive Plan.) Carried*

**V. Volunteer Month Contributions – Parks & Rec., Ec. Development, Planning Commission**

*Recommendation made by Committee Member Rheinecker, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the check request to the Community Foundation of Red Bud in the amount of \$640, representing a contribution of \$20 in the name of each volunteer serving on the Economic Development Commission, Planning Commission and the Parks and Recreation Committee. Carried*

**VI. Landscaping Services – Country Bloomers and Illinois Country Harvest**

Poetker reported that neither Country Bloomers nor Illinois Country Harvest are interested in contracting to do all the landscaping maintenance for the city, but each will do some.

*Recommendation made by Committee Member Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Schwartzkopf, to approve accepting the Spring 2023 proposal from Illinois country Harvest for maintenance of the flower beds at city hall, NTE \$900. Carried*

*Recommendation made by Committee Member Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to approve accepting the proposal from Country Bloomers for maintenance of the entrance signs, the utility entrance bed, city hall parking lot beds and South Main city parking lot beds, at \$65/hour. Carried*

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

None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois