

**Finance Committee Meeting  
Monday, December 21, 2020  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Committee Members Present: Susan Harbaugh, Bill Hanebutt, Mike Rheinecker, Clem Esker, David Friess

Committee Members Absent:

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

Others Present: Mayor Tim Lowry, Attorney Paul Ray, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Administrator Jeff Mueller (Remote), Admin. Assist. Pam Poetker, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Others Absent: Police Chief John Brittingham

Committee Chairman Harbaugh called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Old Business

**I. Code of Ordinances Rewriting and Restructuring Process Update**

Attorney Ray said wording options need to be decided for burning: only allowing burning of leaves and small twigs. Burning of grass and trash is illegal. This shall in no way inhibit recreational fire pit burning.

Business licenses still need some guidelines. Attorney Ray will meet with Pam Poetker to review this and it will be discussed further at the January meeting. Home occupations need consideration.

Parking violations section has all new language because “a hearing officer” is not practical. Parking tickets will go to court in Chester.

Attorney Ray will be finished with this next month.

**II. FY’20 Surplus Funds and Capital Plan Review – Waiting for Property Tax Revenue**

Real estate taxes have begun to come in. The transfers will be prepared after all the real estate tax money has been received.

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month’s Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2020**

***Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Harbaugh, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2020 meeting. Carried***

**II. Maturing CD's**

None

**III. Financial Dashboard**

Chairman Harbaugh reported that with 58% of the year expired, the revenue is at 68% and the expenses are at 38%. Cash balances are looking pretty good. The loan funds look good.

**IV. Health Insurance Policy Renewal**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Harbaugh, seconded by Committee Member Esker, to authorize approval of the 0% renewal employee health insurance policy with United Healthcare Plan Option 1 for the period January 1, 2021-22. Carried*

**V. Skipped numbers V- VIII on agenda**

**IX. Computer Network Upgrades and Equipment Purchases**

Adm. Assist. Poetker explained the Project Plan from CTS for updating city computers. The hours are estimated. Poetker will bring back a more exact total cost to the January meeting.

**X. City Hall Roof Repairs**

There are eight areas where the roof on city hall is leaking.

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Harbaugh, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval to draft specifications and go out for bids for the city hall roof repair/replacement. Carried*

**XI. IMRF Rate Spreadsheet**

Harbaugh explained the IMRF rate spreadsheet, prepared by Liz Cowell. The 2021 rate for the city will be 9.29%.

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

None

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois