

**Public Works Committee Meeting
Monday, September 17, 2018
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd floor)**

Committee Members Present: Glenn Linnertz, Kyle Donjon, Bill Hanebutt, Clem Esker, Curt Guebert

Committee Members Absent:

Council Members Present: Mike Reed, Susan Harbaugh, David Friess

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

Committee Chairman Linnertz called the meeting to order at 7:21 P.M.

Old Business

I. Power Plant

A. Plant Report

Eckart reported that he received the urge testing results from IMEA and it was all good.

II. Utilities/Streets

A. Electric - Underground & Structure Replacement Project - Electric Peak/PPA Update
Josh Eckart informed the committee that Verbal of BHM&G has the proposed layout all worked out and is working on a schedule. Additional/changed easements may be needed. Poetker is continuing to work with DCEO for the project requirements.

Eckart said he had discussed the peak with Alan Mueth and they are typically running their machines on the third shift, so it does not have much of an effect on the city's electric peak.

B. Gas – MRT Rate Case Update

Attorney Ray said there is a settlement conference on Tuesday and Wednesday. FERC required MRT to refile their rates and they are substantially lower. Whatever the new rate negotiated, it will be effective January 1, 2019.

C. Water

Well #1 work is ongoing.

D. Sewer

The Taylor Street lift station work is completed.

E. Streets

The oil and chip project is rescheduled for Wednesday & Thursday. Street sealing will be done September 25th-26th from First to Sixth Streets, alternately.

III. Succession Plan – Upcoming Retirees

Eckart explained the updated upcoming retirees' worksheet, which was included in the packet. Eckart suggested the need to possibly put money away in the capital plan for retirement payouts. Gas Leadman training was discussed.

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting August 20, 2018

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve the minutes from the August 20, 2018 meeting. Carried

II. Sewer Adjustment-408 W. S. Fourth St.

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval to credit the account at 408 W. S. Fourth Street, a sewer adjustment of \$70.42. They left a hose run and the water did not enter the sewer system. Carried

III. Solar and Net Metering

Eckart explained the possible need for a policy and application system for metering solar energy. Solar energy is allowed in the zoning ordinance.

IV. Training Request-TVPPA Lineman Refresher & Transformer Banking Training Seminar – Mike Van Dorn, Cliff Crafton, Matt Shields

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Linnertz, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval to send Mike Van Dorn, Cliff Crafton and Matt Shields to training entitled "Lineman Refresher & Transformer Banking" in Springfield, IL on October 10, 2018; registration fee is \$200/each. Transportation is required. Carried

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

None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois