

**Public Works Committee Meeting  
Monday, January 16, 2023  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Committee Members Present: Curt Guebert, Ben Schwartzkopf, Kyle Donjon, Bill Hanebutt, Mike Rheinecker

Committee Members Absent:

Council Members Present: Jeremy DeMond, Alan Piel, Rodney Nevois

Council Members Absent:

Others Present: Acting Mayor Susan Harbaugh, Police Chief John Brittingham, Admin. Assist. Pam Poetker, City Attorney Paul Ray, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Administrator Jeff Mueller

Others Absent: City Clerk Joanne Cowell

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

Old Business

**1. Power Plant**

- a. Plant Report  
Business as usual. Normal generating runs.  
For the record, we were called by IMEA on December 23, 2022 to generate due to pricing. We generated for approximately 2 hours.

**2. Utilities/Streets**

- a. Electric  
Nothing to Report
- b. Gas  
Nothing to Report
- c. Water – Aerator Replacement Project. Submittals have been reviewed and approved. Working on the valve issue to try to come up with a replacement. It will require a change in the contract.
- d. Sewer
- e. Streets  
Nothing to report.

**3. Concrete Program Request – V8 Speed and Resto**

The V8 Resto sidewalk project was discussed in the last meeting. J. Eckart has been working with Kelle on curb and gutter costs. Still working to iron out the details and bring everything back as one package.

**4. Lois Mesnarich Water Damage to Property**

L. Mesnarich had contacted J. Eckart week prior and requested to be put on the agenda. He also handed out a document that was provided by L. Mesnarich on the Water Damage to her property. Damage happened in 2021.

L. Mesnarich addressed the city council regarding the costs incurred. She stated that it took a terribly long time to get repairs made by the contractor. She stated that she was talked out of having the siding replaced because it would not match the rest of the house. She and her daughter did some of the painting. Daryll Salger was only paid to re-stain the ceiling because her and her daughter could not do that work.

She would like to be reimbursed for the costs it took to get her house back to the way it was.

Insurance came and wrote her a check when they came in the first time. They did not come back after all of the work was done. She advised that she still has the check.

C. Guebert advised that we had submitted the claim to our insurance and it was denied.

P. Ray advised that the city does have tort immunity.

C. Guebert thanked her for the information and informed her that the city council would take the matter under advisement and that nothing can be voted on tonight.

#### New Business

1. **Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting December 19, 2022**  
*Recommendation made by Guebert, seconded by Hanebutt, to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.*
2. **Sewer Adjustment Request – 217 Catherine Drive**  
*Motion made by Guebert, seconded by Donjon to approve the sewer request for 217 Catherine Drive in the amount of \$167.57. Motion carried.*
3. **Sewer Adjustment Request – 519 Locust Street**  
*Motion made by Guebert, seconded by Donjon to approve the sewer request for 519 Locust Street in the amount of \$956.67. Motion carried.*
4. **Authorization to Write Ordinance for New Crosswalk at RBES**  
J. Eckart and J. Brittingham have been working with J. Tallman at the school district about the crosswalk. The crosswalk is including signage. We just need authorization for the city attorney to draft the ordinance. People have been notified of the change in parking.  
*Motion made by Guebert, seconded by Schwartzkopf, to authorize the city attorney to write an ordinance for the new crosswalk at RBES. Motion carried.*
5. **Public Comments/Anything for the Good of the City**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:14 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela K. Poetker, Deputy Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois