

**Public Works Committee Meeting
Monday, April 18, 2022
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd Floor)**

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

Committee Members Absent: Kyle Donjon

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

Others Present: Acting Mayor Susan Harbaugh, 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 Guebert called the meeting to order at 6:12 P.M.

Old Business

I. Power Plant

- A. Plant Report
Business as usual. Eckart is scheduling the urge and NESHAP testing.

II. Utilities/Streets

- A. Electric
Nothing

- B. Gas
Nothing

- C. Water – Aerator Replacement Project
Eckart reported that he has the grant documents, but there is an issue with the prevailing wage that needs to be fixed before he can go out for bids.

- D. Sewer
Nothing

- E. Streets
Nothing

III. Employee Succession Plan

Nothing

IV. Ice Machine for Utility Office

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval to accept the 36-month lease agreement (\$140/month) with B & B Distributors for the ice machine at the utility plant. Carried

V. Personnel, Pay Rate & Schedule Proposed Changes

Eckart is still working on the water operator replacement.

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting March 21, 2022

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2022, meeting. Carried

II. UDAP (Utility Disconnection Avoidance Program) – Approval of Agreement

This is an extension of the LIHEAP program.

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval to sign the “Utility Disconnection Avoidance Program” agreement with WEEOC. Carried

III. IMEA/IPEA/IMUA Annual Conference – Authorization for Mayor and Superintendent to Attend

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve authorization to send Josh Eckart and Acting Mayor Susan Harbaugh to the IMEA/IPEA/IMUA Annual Conference in Springfield, IL on June 2-3, 2022. Carried

IV. Lawnmower Proposals – Authorization to Purchase

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve authorization to purchase the John Deere mower, as quoted by SN Partners, NTE \$11,000. Carried

V. Unit #22 Replacement Proposal – Authorization to Purchase

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve authorization to replace Unit #22 tar pot, as quoted by CMW Equipment, NTE \$17,165. Carried

VI. Proposal from Brotcke Well & Pump – Authorization for Pump Tests & Repairs

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Schwartzkopf, to approve authorization to contract with Brotcke Well & Pump for pump tests and repairs, NTE \$2,676. Carried

VII. Lead and Copper Sampling Coupons - \$5 Coupon for 40 Customers

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to approve authorization to offer \$5 coupons to 40 customers to participate in the lead and copper sampling test. Carried

VIII. Authorization to End Derek Allen's 6-Month Probationary Period Effective April 11, 2022

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Schwartzkopf, to approve authorization to end Derek Allen's 6-month probationary period, effective April 11, 2022. Carried

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

Eckart said the KRPD river well 20-year lease, signed in 1990, with three 10-year extensions, is due. KRPD asked for a letter stating that the city is exercising their second 10-year option. Attorney Ray will write an ordinance for this.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois