

**Public Works Committee Meeting  
Monday, August 15, 2022  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Committee Members Present: Curt Guebert, Ben Schwartzkopf, Kyle Donjon

Committee Members Absent: Bill Hanebutt, Mike Rheinecker

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, Code Administrator Jeff Mueller, City Attorney Paul Ray, City Superintendent Josh Eckart

Others Absent: City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Committee Chairman Guebert called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

Old Business

**I. Power Plant**

- A. Plant Report  
Unit 4 completed testing successfully and is back in service.

**II. Utilities/Streets**

- A. Electric  
Nothing to Report
- B. Gas  
Nothing to Report
- C. Water – Aerator Replacement Project  
Verifying equipment and reviewing bid results to ensure bid is acceptable.
- D. Sewer  
Nothing to report.
- E. Streets  
Nothing to report.

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting July 18, 2022**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2022 meeting. Motion Carried*

**II. Jason Guebert's Resignation**

*Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Schwartzkopf, to accept the resignation of Jason Guebert. Motion carried.*

**III. Request to Advertise for Replacement Truck Unit #18 – 2001 Chevrolet One Ton**

Superintendent Josh Eckart requested that the council authorize him to start the bid process for the replacement of truck 18 because there could be a delay in delivery because some parts are on back order. *Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Schwartzkopf, advertise for bids for replacement of Truck #18. Motion carried.*

**IV. Approval of Proposal from Davey Tree Service – Annual Tree Maintenance**

This is annual work done on the trees each year and is a budgeted item.

*Motion made by Council Member Guebert, seconded by Council Member Schwartzkopf, to approve the proposal from Davey Tree Service NTE \$3200. Motion carried.*

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

Superintendent reported that Tom Caverly is looking at retirement in approximately one year, so that is something being reviewed. Additionally, in talking with Joe Ledlow he determined it takes approximately nine years to complete the certification.

The Water Operator position is still vacant. Superintendent is reviewing options for hiring. It may be a case that we have to hire someone with a lower classification and provide training for higher classification along with compensation.

Council Member Donjon inquired about Water and Sewer positions, training, and length of time it takes to obtain certification. Superintendent Eckart explained that there are a lot of variables and it depends on the amount of training an individual has had. Testing is progressive. There is a short school option for someone with experience.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela K. Poetker, Deputy Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois