

**Public Works Committee Meeting  
Monday, August 19, 2024  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

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

Committee Members Absent: None

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

Council Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mayor Susan Harbaugh, City Attorney Rick Cooper, Code Admin./City Engineer Jeff Mueller, Police Chief John Brittingham, Administrative Officer Jill Landgraf, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Others Absent: City Superintendent Josh Eckart

Committee Chairman Guebert called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Old Business

**I. Power Plant**

**A. Plant Report**  
Nothing to report

**II. Utilities/Streets**

**A. Electric**  
Nothing to report

**B. Gas**  
Nothing to report

**C. Water**  
Nothing to report

**D. Sewer**  
Nothing to report

**E. Streets**  
Nothing to report

**III. Utility Rate Studies**

**A. Electric – Utility Financial Solutions, LLC**  
Superintendent Eckart is asking for approval to contract with Utility Financial Solutions, LLC for an electric rate study proposal, NTE \$27,500.

Because Eckart was not in attendance to answer questions, this will be moved to the council regular agenda for further discussion.

**B. Water & Sewer - IRWA**

No update - leave it on the agenda.

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting July 15, 2024**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2024, meeting. Carried*

**II. Derek Allen's Step Increase of \$1.25/hour**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval of Derek Allen's step increase of \$1.25/hour, effective with the first full pay period after the September 3, 2024, council meeting. Carried*

**III. Recommendation to End Derek Allen's 6-Month Probationary Period  
Effective September 5, 2024**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval to end Derek Allen's 6-month probationary period, effective September 5, 2024. Carried*

**IV. Sell Surplus Vehicles/Equipment on GovDeals**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Schwartzkopf, to authorize approval to sell dump truck #18, bucket truck #3, old parts truck, and road grader on GovDeals. Carried*

**V. Training Requests for Derek Allen & Joe Ledlow – Illinois Potable Water  
Supply Operators Association Conference**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to authorize approval to send Derek Allen and Joe Ledlow to training entitled Illinois Potable Water Supply Association Conference in Springfield, IL on September 11-13, 2024. Transportation, food, and lodging are required. Carried*

**VI. Power Plant Roof Replacement – Proposal from Martin Roofing & Solar**

Superintendent Eckart sent a report stating that \$13,922.28 had been received from the insurance company and \$30,000 is in the budget for roof repairs. The additional \$5,950.72 will be covered by the contractor budget line. Committee Member Hanebutt asked why the insurance only covered \$13,922.28.

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to authorize approval to accept the proposal from Martin Roofing & Solar to replace the power plant roof, NTE \$50,000. Carried*

**VII. Truck #6 Upgrades – Proposals from Woody's Municipal Supply**

This will bring the snow plow fleet up to four trucks.

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to authorize approval to accept the proposal from Woody's*

***Municipal Supply Co. for upgrades and a new spreader for truck #6, NTE \$35,000.  
Carried***

**VIII. Public Comments/Anything for the Good of the City**  
None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois