

**Public Works Committee Meeting  
Monday, December 20, 2021  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

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

Committee Members Absent:

Council Members Present: Rodney Nevois

Council Members Absent: Jeremy DeMond, 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 (left 6:47 P.M.)

Committee Chairman Guebert called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.

Old Business

**I. Power Plant**

- A. Plant Report  
Business as usual, working on engine maintenance

**II. Utilities/Streets**

- A. Electric  
No updates
- B. Gas  
No updates
- C. Water – Aerator Replacement Project  
The aerator project, waiting on paperwork.
- D. Sewer  
No updates
- E. Streets  
No updates. Schwartzkopf questioned the West Field, Flint Street intersection and Eckart said it will be repaired as part of the annual oil and chipping.

**III. Employee Succession Plan**

Daniel Koester will start as plant operator on January 3, 2022.

**IV. Net Metering Policy Updates**

Eckart will be reviewing the IMUA current policies and will be attending a free webinar on January 10, 2022.

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting November 15, 2021**

***Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Hanebutt, to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021, meeting. Carried***

**II. Parking Spot Request from Changes – 902 Locust Street**

Tammy Koesterer is requesting a handicap parking space for her clients at 902 Locust St. This would require an ordinance change. More information is needed. Leave on agenda.

**III. Yard Waste Disposal/Burning**

If someone is burning illegally, it needs to be reported to the police department for enforcement. Discussed, no action.

**IV. Replacement of Unit #31 – Water Department Vehicle**

***Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve authorization to replace the water department Unit #31 with a used van, NTE \$25,000 Carried***

*Clerk Cowell left the meeting at 6:47 P.M.*

**V. Gas Department Reporting/Utility Locating – Tablets and Services for Real Time Record Keeping**

Eckart reviewed recommendations and costs involved, from a gas conference on December 9, 2021. There is money in the budget for this. Eckart will get more information for further discussion at the council meeting.

**VI. Cincinnati Policy Updates**

Poetker reported that RMA indicated that they do not think that the Cincinnati policy coverage is adequate. They are recommending an increase in boiler/machinery coverage from eight million to eleven million at an increase in premium of \$1,561 for the policy ending December 2022.

***Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Guebert, seconded by Committee Member Rheinecker, to approve authorization to increase the Cincinnati boiler/machinery coverage from eight million to eleven million, at an increase in premium of \$1,561, for the policy ending December 2022. Carried***

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

Eckart brought up information regarding repairs to the salt shed roof. It was not on the agenda; therefore, no recommendation could be made. *(Clerk's Note: the recording is inaudible.)*

Meeting was adjourned at 6:53 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois