

**CITY OF RED BUD, ILLINOIS  
CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025**  
Red Bud City Hall  
City Council Chambers

**The City Council of Red Bud, Randolph County, Illinois met on Monday, September 2, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. at the Red Bud City Hall, Council Chambers.**

**Members Present:** Bryce Parsons, Curt Guebert, Patrick Mueller, Bill Hanebutt, Jeremy DeMond, Rodney Nevois, Kyle Donjon, Alan Piel

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** City Attorney Rick Cooper, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Admin./City Engineer Jeff Mueller, Police Chief John Brittingham, Administrative Officer Jill Landgraf

**Others Absent:** Mayor Susan Harbaugh, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Call to Order at 6:00 P.M. by Council Member Bill Hanebutt

III. Roll Call by Deputy Clerk Jill Landgraf

IV. Approval of Financial Statements

**Motion made by Council Member Mueller, seconded by Council Member Guebert to approve the Financial Statements as presented and file for audit. The vote was as follows: Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye. Motion carried.**

V. Approval of Estimated and Listed Bills

**Motion made by Council Member Nevois, seconded by Council Member DeMond to approve the estimated and listed bills. The vote was as follows: Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye. Motion carried.**

VI. Consideration of any Additional Bills

A. America250 Project – Bunting, NTE \$14,000

The city's portion of the bill is \$2,819.70. The Chamber will collect the amounts due from businesses and reimburse the city for their portions. This is not part of the \$3,000 startup allocation.

**Motion made by Council Member Nevois, seconded by Council Member DeMond to approve payment of the quote from Arkansas Flag And Banner, Inc. for the buntings**

**for the America250 Project, NTE \$14,000, with the Chamber of Commerce reimbursing the city for their portions. The vote was as follows: Mueller, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye. Motion carried.**

VII. Correspondence, Public and Guest Comments  
*None*

VIII. Consent Agenda—Items Originated at Committee Level

Please note: Items with \*\* were removed from the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda – Items Originated at Committee Level as Indicated in ( )

A. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes from August 4 & 18, 2025 and Hearing Minutes from August 18, 2025

*Authorization of approval of the minutes from the City Council Meetings of August 4 & 18, 2025, and August 18, 2025, Public Hearing for the Lincoln Park Revitalization OSLAD Grant Application*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

B. Approval of Red Bud Fire Department Meat Shoot Requests on September 28, 2025, from 11AM-7PM (Cultural)

*Authorization of approval of the request from the Red Bud Fire Department to temporarily close a portion of Orange Street between Veterans Street and East Pine Street on September 28, 2025, from 11AM-7PM, and a site inspection from the Chief of Police, for the meat shoot fundraiser*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

C. Approval of St John’s Lutheran School Request to Reserve Lincoln Park for Cross Country Meet on September 5, 2025 (Cultural)

*Authorization of approval of the request from St. John’s Lutheran School to reserve Lincoln Park for the cross country meet on September 5, 2025*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

D. Approval of Resolution 25-003: Illinois America250 Commemoration (Cultural)

*Authorization of approval to accept RESOLUTION NO. 25-003: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RED BUD IN SUPPORT OF THE ILLINOIS AMERICA250 COMMEMORATION”*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

- E. Approval of Aaron Lange’s Six-Month Probationary Period (Public Works)  
*Authorization of approval to end Aaron Lange’s six-month probationary period*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

- F. Approval of Increasing Aaron Lange’s Pay Rate to Full Laborer Rate of \$23.02 Per Hour, Effective with the September 17, 2025, Payroll (Public Works)  
*Authorization of approval to increase Aaron Lange’s pay rate to the full laborer rate of \$23.02 per hour, effective with the pay period starting September 17, 2025*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

- G. Approval of Training Request for Patty Rieke, Adren Walsh, and Scott Becker – JULIE Positive Response Workshop on September 11, 2025 (Public Works)  
*Authorization of approval to send Patty Rieke, Adren Walsh, and Scott Becker to training entitled “JULIE Positive Response Workshop” in Collinsville, IL on September 11, 2025; transportation is required*

**Motion made by Council Member Donjon, seconded by Council Member Parsons to approve under the omnibus designation, the consent agenda items A through G, as read by Council Member Hanebutt. The vote was as follows: Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye. Motion carried.**

IX. Reports of Standing Committees, Departments and Other Committees, Boards & Commissions

- A. Finance Committee - Meeting August 18, 2025  
1. Maturing CDs  
*None*

- B. Personnel Committee - Meeting August 18, 2025  
*Nothing to report*

- C. Public Health & Safety Committee - Meeting August 18, 2025

*Nothing to report*

- D. Cultural Committee – Meeting August 18, 2025  
1. Approval of Kaesberg’s Request to Allow a Bounce House at Ratz Park on September 20, 2025

**Motion made by Council Member Mueller, seconded by Council Member Nevois, to authorize approval of the request from Dillon Kaesberg to have a bounce house at Ratz Park #4 on September 20, 2025. The vote was as follows: DeMond, aye; Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye; Hanebutt, aye. Motion carried.**

- E. Public Works Committee - Meeting August 18, 2025  
*Nothing to report*

- F. Zoning Committee - Meeting August 18, 2025  
1. Red Bud Masonic Lodge Mural Permit Application

**Motion made by Council Member Mueller, seconded by Council Member Piel, to authorize approval of the Red Bud Masonic Mural Permit Application, as presented. The vote was as follows Nevois, aye; Donjon, aye; Piel, aye; Parsons, aye; Guebert, aye; Mueller, aye; Hanebutt, aye; DeMond, aye. Motion carried.**

- G. Recreational Facilities – Meeting August 18, 2025  
*Nothing to report*

- H. Executive Session Minutes Review Committee – No Meeting  
*Nothing to report*

- I. Planning Commission – No Meeting  
*Nothing to report*

- J. Economic Development Commission – Meeting July 23, 2025  
Council Member Nevois reported that the Economic Development Committee recommended using the cost per acre price of \$26,099 approach and to add 10-20% to the cost of the three front lots at the RBBP. Code Adm. Mueller suggested a convenience for the RBBP detailing the requirements for brick usage, paved parking lots, etc. Council Member Nevois asked if the weeds would be mowed. Code Adm. Mueller said that the final grading would not be done until the concrete driveway is in.

- K. Parks and Recreation Committee – No Meeting  
The next meeting will be at Ratz Park on Wednesday, September 3, 2025.

- X. Old Business  
*None*

- XI. New Business  
A. Review of September Calendar  
*No Changes*

B. Other Comments

*None*

C. Adjournment

**Motion made at 6:12 P.M. by Council Member Hanebutt, seconded by Council Member Parsons, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was as follows: all ayes. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois