

**Public Health and Safety Committee Meeting  
Monday, December 15, 2025  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Committee Members Present: Bill Hanebutt, Kyle Donjon, Curt Guebert, Patrick Mueller, Bryce Parsons

Committee Members Absent: None

Council Members Present: Rodney Nevois

Council Members Absent: Jeremy DeMond, Alan Piel

Others Present: Mayor Susan Harbaugh, City Attorney Rebecca Cooper, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Admin./City Engineer Jeff Mueller, Admin. Officer Jill Landgraf, Police Chief John Brittingham

Others Present: City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Committee Chairman Hanebutt called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

Old Business  
None

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2025**  
*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2025, meeting. Carried*

**II. Departmental Activity Report**  
Chief Brittingham did not get the monthly activity report completed. If anyone has any concerns or questions, please contact Brittingham.

**III. Approval of Kratom Prohibition – Ordinance No. 1565**  
*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Guebert, to approve ORDINANCE NO. 1565: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE XIII OF THE CITY OF RED BUD CODE OF ORDINANCES 2021 PERTAINING TO OFFENSES." Carried*

**IV. Authorization to Hire School Resource Officer**  
*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Guebert, to approve hiring Ashley Stellhorn as the SRO (School Resource Officer.) Carried*

**V. Authorization to Hire Replacement Officer to Fill Vacancy**

Chief Brittingham said that the part-time officer who was interested in this position received a raise at his current full-time position, so he is no longer interested in this position. Chief Brittingham will advertise the position. No action tonight.

**VI. Towing Zones (Discussion Only)**

Chief Brittingham said that parking in the yellow zones at the four-way stop continues to be a problem. Carbondale has an ordinance that if a tow truck goes by and sees a vehicle parked illegally, they can automatically tow it. He also suggested that the parking spots nearest the intersection could be used as a five-minute drop off zone for handicapped/elderly. Committee Member Mueller would like to require that pictures be taken before a vehicle is towed.

***Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve authorizing Attorney Cooper to write an ordinance establishing the yellow no parking zones nearest the four-way stop intersection as automatic towing spots and to establish those spots as handicap/elderly five-minute drop off zones. Carried***

**VII. Downtown Parking (Discussion Only)**

Included in item VI

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

None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois