

**Finance Committee Meeting  
Monday, January 19, 2026  
Red Bud City Hall  
Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

Committee Members Present: Patrick Mueller, Jeremy DeMond, Rodney Nevois

Committee Members Absent: Bill Hanebutt, Alan Piel

Council Members Present: Bryce Parsons, Curt Guebert

Council Members Absent: Kyle Donjon

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Old Business

**I. Surplus and Capital Plans**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Mueller, seconded by Committee Member Nevois, to approve moving the FY'25 Surplus of \$1,107,318 to the various Capital Plans and Capital Purchasing Opportunity Reserve Fund (Clerk's Note: Streets-\$194,500; Police-\$83,500; Fire Dept.-\$42,000; City Hall-\$91,000; Park-\$95,730; Library-\$30,000; Dashner Building-\$18,000; Economic Development-\$150,000; Capital Purchasing Opportunity Reserve Fund-\$402,588.) Carried*

New Business

**I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2025**

*Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Mueller, seconded by Committee Member Nevois, to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2025, meeting. Carried*

**II. CD Information**

A. Maturing CDs

*None*

**III. Financial Dashboard**

Chairman Mueller reviewed the financial summary. The budget is at 67% of the year, the revenue is at 96% of the budget, while expenses are at 45% of the budget, with a cash balance of \$1,217,726.34 The RBBP expenses to date are \$1,296,670, waiting on the state reimbursement of \$803,733.

**IV. Elected Official Salary Review**

The elected official salary schedule and comparison with other cities was included in the packet. This was last reviewed in 2022 and is due to be reviewed every four years. Due to the absence of three council members, this will be tabled until the next meeting.

**V. Planning Commission Stipend Review**

Code Administrator Jeff Mueller noted that Planning Commission Chairman John Holzum asked that the commission's stipend be reviewed. The commission is currently having difficulty with member attendance and retainage. Chairman Holzum asked Jeff to gather the data and prepare a comparison with other city's payment rates.

**VI. Invest \$400,000 MFT Dollars in IL Funds**

***Recommendation made by Committee Member Nevois, seconded by Committee Member DeMond, to approve investing \$400,000 MFT funds in the Illinois Funds account. Carried***

**VII. SI Now Ad**

Admin. Officer Jill Landgraf is requesting buying a full-page ad in the SI Now magazine. This would allow space to advertise the RBBP lots and the events happening in Red Bud. Previously the city had been paying for a one-half page ad in the bi-annual publication.

***Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Mueller, seconded by Committee Member DeMond, to approve the purchase of a full-page ad in the SI Now magazine in the amount of \$1,999. Carried***

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

*None*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois