

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

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

Committee Members Absent: Kyle Donjon, Bill Hanebutt

Council Members Present: Bryce Parsons, Curt Guebert, Patrick Mueller

Council Members Absent: None

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

Mayor Harbaugh called the meeting to order at 6:24 P.M.

Old Business

**I. Pool Post Season Plan Update**

Superintendent Eckart reported that last Monday the pool decking concrete had been removed, except for the northeast corner, because of the basement. The suspected area had pipe failure, and that is where the sand went. There was another area on the southeast side. Everywhere else, it was just as expected sand settlement. Eckart has a meeting with Ehret Plumbing tomorrow morning to schedule the piping repairs. After that, the concrete will be replaced and inserts installed for the swim team starting blocks and ladders.

New Business

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

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

**II. Farnsworth Consulting for OSLAD Grant**

Adm. Officer Landgraf is requesting permission to contact Farnsworth Consulting to give a cost estimate to prepare the sixty-eight-page OSLAD Grant Application for the renovations and dog park at Lincoln Park. Landgraf said the process is overwhelming and she thinks it would be worthwhile exploring the option to have Farnsworth prepare the grant. Code Admin. Mueller said that this is a highly competitive grant and feels that the city will have a better shot at receiving the grant with Farnsworth's expertise.

***Recommendation made by Committee Member Nevois, seconded by Committee Member DeMond to approve pursuing a proposal from Farnsworth for consulting on the OSLAD Grant Application. Carried***

**III. Pool Painting**

Superintendent Eckart said he had hoped to have a proposal from Jerry Hotop Painting in Perryville to repaint the pool. It was last painted in 2018 for just under \$19,000. Eckart hopes to have the proposal in time for the council meeting.

**IV. Community Garden Needs**

Mayor Harbaugh said that there is not a need for any more garden boxes at this time, but an additional/enhanced compost area is needed.

***Recommendation made by Committee Member Nevois, seconded by Committee Member Piel, to approve building a second compost box at the community garden. Carried***

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

*None*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk  
Red Bud, Illinois