

**Cultural Committee Meeting
Monday, August 17, 2026
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd floor)**

Committee Members Present: Bryce Parsons, Curt Guebert

Committee Members Absent: Patrick Mueller, Jeremy DeMond, Kyle Donjon

Council Members Present: Bill Hanebutt, Rodney Nevois, Alan Piel

Council Members Absent: None

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, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Committee Chairman Parsons called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M. **There was no quorum.**

Old Business

None

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting July 20, 2026

No action – no quorum.

II. Request from Red Bud Auxiliary for Proposed Lending Library at Ratz Park

Kathryn Rowold, Senior Vice, Post #6632 VFW Auxiliary, approached the committee requesting permission for the VFW Auxiliary to provide a lending library at Ratz Park, near the reservations sign, at no cost to the city. The Auxiliary will fund and maintain the lending library with age-appropriate patriotism-themed books free of charge to local youth. No action, the request will move to the council agenda.

III. Request from Red Bud Junior High School for Use of Lincoln Park on September 25, 2026, for the Cahokia Conference Cross-Country Meet

A request from RBES for permission to reserve Lincoln Park for a Cahokia Conference Cross-Country meet on September 25, 2026, from 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM was discussed. Parking on the grass will not be allowed. The food trucks must be in the park, not on the streets, and will need to obtain a city permit. No action, the request will move to the council agenda.

IV. Approval of Red Bud Lions Club to Collect at the Four-Way Stop on October 2, 2026, from 2PM-6PM and October 3, 2026, from 8AM-Noon

The request from the Red Bud Lions Club to collect at the four-way stop on October 2 and 3, 2026 will be moved to the council agenda.

V. Street Collection: Guidelines and Request Form

Updating the Street Collection Guidelines and Request Form was discussed. Mayor Harbaugh said the spirit of collections is that it benefits Red Bud citizens in some way. City Hall will enforce the policy that the liability insurance certificate must be submitted at the time of the application. Mayor Harbaugh, Jill Landgraf and Chairman Parsons will review and present a suggested revised form at the next meeting.

VI. Public Comments/Anything for the Good of the City

Chairman Parsons noted that it is twelve days until the America250 Festival at Lincoln Park on August 29, 2026.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois