CITY OF TUSCOLA COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS August 27, 2012 Tuscola City Hall

The regular meeting of the City council was called to order with Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt and Mayor Kleiss present. Alderman Maxey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Administrator Hoel went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the August 13, 2012 meeting
- Financial report for July 2012
- Payment of bills totaling \$94,008.76
- A pay request from Hanfland Painting in the amount of \$45,000, for work on the water tower project
- Fundraising requests from: Rotary Club for annual Sam Food Pantry drive on October 6, 2012, with sign on Festival Corner one week prior; Cystic Fibrosis Foundation 5K run on June 1, 2013; street closure request - West North Central in front of Community Building - for about 30 minutes for Daddy's Diamond Benefit on September 8, 2012.

Henderson moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Cleland seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. Hoey moved to approve the consent agenda for August 27, 2012. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Mayor - Nothing

City Clerk - Nothing

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported PMG Tuscola LLC and Jeff and Kristin Winans are delinquent on their TIF loans.

<u>City Attorney</u> - Absent

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel announced Foreman Cruzan will celebrate his 40th anniversary with the City of Tuscola on September 5, 2012.

<u>Other</u>

Administrator Hoel reported the water tower painting project is going well. The contractor is sandblasting and priming the inside of the tower and cleaning out the abrasive debris. Hoel hopes they will soon be working on the outside of the tower. Pressure has been maintained, with only a few instances of low pressure. Hoel added he is waiting on a timeline from the contractor. Because of weather and other delays, they may not be able to finish the entire project this fall; the finish coat may have to be done in the spring.

Hoel updated council on the swimming pool leak. As soon as the pool closed, the City hired a diver to install plugs to replace the hydrostatic relief valves in the main drain box. The valves are designed to let ground water pressure out, Hoel explained. If the valves don't seat, water is lost. Hoel went on to say we thought this was the reason for our water loss problem, but after replacing the valves with plugs, we are still losing water. The only other two loss sources are the main drain line, which will be pressure tested again, and the pool liner.

The Douglas County Health Department will again hold a Flu Cruise at Ervin Park on October 9, 2012.

Shoemaker asked if the pool warranty covered parts and labor. Hoel stated it did. Truitt asked if it covers water loss. Hoel answered that is a question for Attorney Bequette; however, if the water loss is the contractor's fault, we would have some cause of action for our damages. Maxey asked if we discovered the leak on day one. Hoel stated we did not; we discovered it once the auto read meter was installed. We were halfway through last summer before we had good enough data to know we were still losing large amounts of water. Hoel added we had a tear in the liner when it was first installed; the contractor did a quick emergency patch. Our initial thought was the patch was not good and causing water loss. The contractor came in the spring; re-did the liner repairs, but we still have the loss.

Mayor Kleiss announced the owners of the Dixie property got the no further remediation letter from the State. The owner will be coming to town this week to file the letter, according to TEDI Director Moody. This clears the way for re-development on the Dixie property.

Mayor Elizabets

The motion to adjourn was made by Henderson and seconded by Cleland. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

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