CITY OF TUSCOLA COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS TUSCOLA CITY HALL May 13, 2019

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Aldermen Shoemaker and Waldrop were absent. Jerry Jones, representative from the TK Martin VFW Post 10009, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Kleiss stated Aldermen Shoemaker and Waldrop both asked to be excused from tonight's meeting.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the April 22, 2019, meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$126,002.00
- Request for Community Building lease with alcohol from Paula VonLanken for a graduation party May 24-25, 2019
- Homecoming parade route for September 27, 2019

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt. Day moved to approve the consent agenda for May 13, 2019. Cleland seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt.

Requested Time on the Agenda

Several members of the VFW Post 10009 were present to let council know about some of their upcoming events. Paul Wisovaty, spokesperson, announced the post would hold their annual Poppy Day collection event on May 25th. Poppies will be given out at the corner of Main and Sale and the mall exits from 8 am – noon that day. Also, the VFW is holding a Heroes Picnic at Ervin Park this Saturday, the 18th from 11 am – 3 pm. The post will provide a free lunch for all local police officers, fire fighters, emergency medical personnel, first responders, veterans, and city officials and staff. Wisovaty ended by asking council's permission to put up a sign announcing the picnic at the entrance to the park. Council was agreeable to all requests from the TK Martin VFW Post 10009.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss asked for approval of the annual appointments of officers, boards, and commissions. The listing was included in the council packets. Slaughter moved to approve the annual appointments of officers, boards, and commissions, as presented. A copy is attached, making these appointments part of the minutes. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt

<u>City Clerk</u> – No Report

<u>City Treasurer</u> – Treasurer Long reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans.

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City Attorney - No Report

City Administrator - No Report

Before any new business was discussed, Mayor Kleiss gave the Oath of Office to returning council members Cleland, Slaughter, and Truitt. Since Waldrop was absent, she will be sworn in at the next meeting.

Contracts and Agreements

Administrator Hoel announced the city has received the OSLAD grant agreement from IDNR for the Ervin Park improvements, even though the funding has not yet been disbursed. IDNR would like to have the agreements signed and in place so the funding can be disbursed as soon as the state has an approved budget. Hoel went on to say he expects this to be late July. Greg Crowe, representing MSA, agreed with Hoel and added the design engineering needs to be started now. If we wait until we have the funds in hand, the project may not be completed this year. Day moved to approve the OSLAD grant agreement for the Ervin Park projects with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt. Hoey moved to approve the Professional Services Agreement with MSA for design engineering on the Ervin Park improvements at a cost of \$49,130, which is 7.5% of the total project costs and will be considered a part of the city's match. Cleland seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt.

Administrator Hoel discussed oil and chip projects for this year and pointed out the scope of work. Hoel stated this year's project is about 7% over budget, after being below budget the last two years. Typically, actual quantities are a bit lower than bid quantities. Jim Crane, Douglas County Engineer, will act as the city's engineer on the oil and chip project. Cleland moved the city enter into an engineering agreement with James Crane P.E., for the annual oil and chip project. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt.

Requests for TIF Assistance

- 1. Mayor Kleiss reported the Hogue's have requested additional TIF grant funds for their Irma Lou's Kitchen/Cast Iron Pub in downtown Tuscola. The Hogue's have run into some HVAC and electrical issues that need to be resolved. Administrator Hoel stated he believes these issues were unforeseeable and the Hogue's would not have been aware of them when they first requested their TIF funding. Hoey moved to approve the additional TIF grant funding for Kenny and Angela Hogue in the amount of \$96,000. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt.
- 2. Mayor Kleiss opened discussion on the one development proposal received for the old North Ward property. The proposal was submitted by Mike Carroll and Mark Petty and calls for a development similar to the one done 25 years ago on the old South Ward property. Administrator Hoel added if council agrees to the general concept, we would proceed to a re-development agreement with details. The developers have asked for a five month time period to investigate infrastructure costs and plans for the development. Mayor Kleiss stated the question for council is whether or not we want to go ahead and put together a re-development agreement. Administrator Hoel added this is the fourth time in the last 10-12 years the city has solicited proposals on this property. One year we

received proposals but they were not the type of project we wanted. Carroll and Petty have proposed a purchase price of \$60,000 for the property. A sum of \$20,000 would be paid up front; an additional \$10,000 per lot sold guaranteed within two years. The committee met to discuss the proposal and feels it is a project we should explore further. Day moved to direct Attorney Bequette and Administrator Hoel to proceed with a redevelopment agreement with Mike Carroll and Mark Petty for the old North Ward property. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt.

Other

Mayor Kleiss honored Clerk Leamon with a plaque and kind words on her 30th anniversary as Tuscola City Clerk.

The motion to adjourn was made by Truitt and seconded by Hoey. VOTE YEA** Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt.

CITY OF TUSCOLA APPOINTMENT ROSTER May 1, 2019 thru April 30, 2020

The following officers of the city are appointed for the annual term indicated above:

Drew Hoel – City Administrator Craig Hastings – Police Chief Mike Salmon – Bldg./Elec. Inspector Brian Moody – Fire Chief Dennis Cruzan – City Services Foreman Andrew Bequette, Beckett & Webber Alta Long – Treasurer

The following individuals are appointed for the annual term indicated above:

PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS/SIGN BOARD OF APPEALS

Steve Hilgendorf-805 E. Van Allen Gerald Reynolds-833 Lakeshore Dr. Terry Poindexter-204 Eldorado Dr. Brett Adkisson-202 E. Daggy Randy Hastings-34 Walnut Circle Alan Hettinger-508 E. Barker Brad Bennett-133 Wilshire Dr.

ARCOLA/TUSCOLA JOINT WATERLINE BOARD

Drew Hoel Alan Shoemaker Troy Rund

LIQUOR BOARD

Mayor Kleiss, Commissioner Curt McDaniel Bob Utterback