CITY OF TUSCOLA COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS TUSCOLA CITY HALL December 23, 2019

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Aldermen Day, Shoemaker, and Truitt were absent. Mayor Kleiss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the December 9, 2019 meeting
- Financial report for November 2019
- Payment of bills totaling \$39,581.49
- Cub Scout request for use of Wimple Park for a day camp July 10-11, 2020

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop. Cleland moved to approve the consent agenda for December 23, 2019. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Çleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

<u>Mayor</u>

Mayor Kleiss recognized several firefighters for their service to the community. Lieutenant Jim Heath is retiring from the department after serving 21 years. Lieutenant Joe Carter and Chief Engineer Jason Mills were recognized for 20 years with the department; Lieutenant Tim Bloomer, 15 years; Ahren Coady, Ian Harp, Cory Roberts, and Brent Wilson – 5 years. Kleiss stated he was proud of our fire department and appreciates their service to the city.

City Clerk - No Report

City Treasurer

In the absence of Treasurer Long, Administrator Hoel reported Eddie Boutilier, Red Barn Veterinary Services, and Scott Kibler are delinquent on their TIF loans.

City Attorney - No Report

<u>City Administrator</u> – No Report

Ordinances

Three annexation ordinances were presented for council approval.

1. Slaughter moved to approve ordinance 2019-O-15, an ordinance to annex certain real estate known as 3-D Development property located in the SW quarter of Section 35, Township 16N, Range 8E, of the third principal meridian, Douglas County, IL. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

- 2. Cleland moved to approve ordinance 2019-O-16, an ordinance to annex certain real estate known as Love's Travel Store property located in the SW quarter of Section 35 Township 16N Range 8E, of the third principal meridian, Douglas County, IL. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.
- 3. Rund moved to approve ordinance 2019-O-17, an ordinance to annex certain real estate know as Ta'Carbon Restaurant property located in the NE quarter of Section 2, Township 15N Range 8E, of the third principal meridian, Douglas County, IL. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Contracts and Agreements

Administrator Hoel discussed a Professional Services Agreement with Donohue & Associates. The PSA is for completion and submission of forms to renew the city's NPDES permit with the IEPA. The permit governs effluent/discharge parameters at the north waste water treatment facility. Hoel added the permit must be renewed every five years. Waldrop moved to approve the PSA with Donohue and Associates for services related to the renewal of the NPDES permit with the Illinois EPA at a cost of \$3500. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Resolutions

Cleland moved council go into executive session to review past executive session minutes and personnel discussion. Rund seconded. The time was 7:42 pm. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop. The meeting was called back to order at 7:54 pm with Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Aldermen Day, Shoemaker, and Truitt were absent.

Cleland moved to approve a \$2500 salary increase for Foreman Cruzan, effective 12/30/19. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Rund moved to approve resolution 2019-R-5, a resolution concerning the review and release of executive session minutes and the destruction of executive session audio recordings. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

<u>Other</u>

Administrator Hoel addressed council about the proposed Ironhorse SSA timeline and ordinance. Hoel feels there is no rush enacting the ordinance to establish the SSA and no need to file a property tax levy for 2019 (payable in 2020). Our consultants believe it makes more sense to make the first property tax levy for 2020 and payable in 2021, which is more in line with construction and the first debt service payment. The delay will also allow us to use actual bid numbers for the levy.

The motion to adjourn was made by Slaughter and seconded by Rund. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop. Mayor Kleiss wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mayor Light

City Clerk