# CITY OF TUSCOLA

COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS TUSCOLA CITY HALL September 27, 2021

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris (virtual), Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Mayor Kleiss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment - None

#### Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the September 13, 2021 meeting
- Financial report for August 2021
- Payment of bills totaling \$205,366.68
- Request for fundraising for Toys for Tots on November 13, 2021
- Community Building lease with alcohol for Alyson Barry for an engagement party October 16, 2021
- November 11 Veteran's Day parade route approval

Day moved to approve the items on the consent agenda for September 27, 2021. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop. Day moved to approve the consent agenda for September 27, 2021. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

#### Mayor

Mayor Kleiss announced WAND will broadcast from the museum this Wednesday, September 29. Douglas County will be featured in the station's 'Discovering Central Illinois' segment during their regular news times.

Mayor Kleiss gave a huge thank you to everyone involved in the past week-end's homecoming activities, especially Marci & Alan Shoemaker and Kenny and Angela Hogue. There were no issues; attendance was great; and the weather was perfect.

Kleiss stated the downtown TIF will sunset soon. This began in 1986 and has been used as a tool to revitalize the downtown area. A pet project is the green way area between the Vault and Community Building. This is an area we can showcase, Kleiss stated, and build on what we have already accomplished. The Economic Development board will meet to discuss this project and bring ideas back to council.

<u>City Clerk</u> – No Report

#### City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans.

City Attorney - No Report

City Administrator - No Report

## Contracts and Agreements

- The Arrow Ambulance agreement between Tuscola, Village of Garrett, Atwood, Garrett Township, Tuscola Township, and Unity Township is set to expire on September 30, 2021. Administrator Hoel explained this last minute action by stating there has been some discussion with other municipalities and townships in our area about expanding or coordinating services. This has not been finalized. Arrow has agreed to a one-year extension of the current agreement at the same terms, with an out if the larger group comes together. Hoey moved to approve a one year extension to the Arrow Ambulance agreement, extending it to September 30, 2022. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.
- Rund moved to approve the \$5100 purchase of a control panel for the irrigator at the north sewer plant from Sunrise FS Valley Irrigation. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

### **Other**

Adam Munds was present to answer council questions regarding his proposal for the RC Fest to be held next July. Kleiss stated he has been to Wimple to look around and get an idea of what is needed and where the stations would be set. Kleiss still plans to go to Tolono and speak with the representatives who helped organize the event there. Slaughter asked what type of radio control vehicles are included. Adam answered cars and trucks. Shoemaker asked about attendance. Adam answered he has a video link showing the 2019 event, which was well attended. He will send link so all can view. Mayor Kleiss and Administrator Hoel will do some more research of prior RC Fests and report back to council for action at the next meeting.

The motion to adjourn was made by Slaughter and seconded by Shoemaker. VOTE YEA\*Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

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