

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
July 24, 2017

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, 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 July 10, 2017 meeting
- Financial report for June 2017
- Payment of bills totaling \$73,866.40
- Pay request from Donohue & Associates in the amount of \$26,703.05, for SCADA system upgrades
- Community Building lease request from Ricardo Galvan for a birthday party with alcohol August 18, 2017

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Truitt moved to approve the consent agenda for July 24, 2017. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss commended the library for the great event they put on downtown this past Friday evening. Kudos to everyone who helped with outdoor movie and artisan fair.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

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

City Attorney – Absent

City Administrator – No Report

Ordinances

Mayor Kleiss presented an ordinance regarding setback requirements in the Doris Subdivision. The Plan Commission met July 13 to discuss a request submitted by Owen Tucker to allow setback changes in order to increase the amount of space on the lots for home construction. The ordinance would amend the text in Chapter 156 to the following recommended setbacks in the Doris Subdivision: 20 feet in front; 6 feet on the sides; and 18 feet 9 inches in the rear. Cleland moved to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation and approve ordinance 2017-0-9, an ordinance amending Chapter 156 of the City's code of ordinances to reduce setback requirements in the Doris Subdivision. Day seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

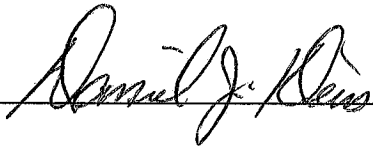
Contracts and Agreements

Administrator Hoel discussed the backstop netting for the softball diamond, stating this will be the third of three backstop projects for the city. The softball diamond project will be almost the same as the Little League diamond, Hoel added, except the softball diamond does not need new dug outs. Tear out of the old backstop will begin in a few weeks so the new netting can be in place and re-seeding completed this fall. Truitt moved to approve the purchase of backstop netting for the softball diamond from Beacon Athletics, in the amount of \$14,567.00. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Other

1. Mayor Kleiss asked how the work at the sewer plant is progressing. Hoel answered it is 95% complete; the crews have one more day of work and are waiting on some parts to arrive.
2. The Community Building HVAC has been repaired and seems to be operating properly, Hoel reported. Several mechanical issues had to be resolved in order to get to this point. Building Inspector Salmon has been trained on the programming system.
3. Truitt asked about the pool operations and if everything was going OK. Hoel answered this year compares better than last year. Hoel went on to say he and Foreman Cruzan are not sure how to drain the pool for cleaning next spring without tearing the liner. Hoel added the contractor recommended a pool cover so the pool would not have to be drained down for cleaning. Hoel and Cruzan have their doubts this would work. If the liner tears when drained down, the leak repair would not be that expensive, Hoel stated. The bigger problem is not knowing for sure until the pool is opened if the leak is actually repaired.
4. After a question from Slaughter, Hoel answered the two new part time police officers have been taking shifts and are getting ramped up.

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



Mayor



City Clerk