

CITY OF TUSCOLA

COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
April 10, 2023

Mayor Kleiss called the budget meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Those present: .Brace, Hoey, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss. Mayor Kleiss led the Pledge of Allegiance. Aldermen Rund, Day, and Morris arrived shortly after the call to order.

Mayor Kleiss thanked the committees and city staff for putting together the draft budget for FY 24. Treasurer Long and Administrator Hoel went over the budget numbers for council starting with the Capital Plan, including equipment replacement planned for the coming year. Long pointed out the 2024 Capital Plan is ambitious; all purchases are funded in the capital plan; however, they are subject to availability. Also, projects may come in over estimates. Administrator Hoel added all the capital expenditures can be accomplished without borrowing funds, except for the possibility of an IEPA loan on the Meadowview water line project. Long reported state revenues are far above projections used in the 2023 budget. All taxes are up but expenses are also up. Long went over each department's budget and noted some slight increases but no major changes. At the end of the 2024 budget year, should everything go as planned, the water fund will have an estimated \$950,000 balance in operating and capital plan funds balance of \$744,000. Sewer line item for repairs/maintenance has been increased; there is little change to the other line items. Sewer will end the 2024 budget year with \$1,000,000+ balance in operations and \$805,000 in capital plan funds. TIF I and TIF II planned projects will be finalized the first six months of 2024. Amishland TIF has funds earmarked for a possible walkway near the proposed Carle Health facility. Tourism and the Library boards have approved their budgets for 2024, with no major changes. Long ended by saying the 2024 draft budget shows \$6,000,000+ in capital projects. Inflation is affecting us both on increased revenues and increased costs. There is sufficient fund balances remaining after the projects are complete. Administrator Hoel stated the full budget will be presented at the next meeting, along with wage and salary roster for adoption. Feel free to direct questions to Hoel or Treasurer Long.

The regular meeting was called to order with Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop and Mayor Kleiss present.

Mayor Kleiss offered a moment of silence for Marta Slaughter, wife of Alderman Dave Slaughter. Marta passed away suddenly on April 1, 2023, and will be missed by her loved ones and the community.

Public Comment - None

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the March 27, 2023 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$301,531.46

- Approval of the Tuscola Women's Club Domestic Violence & Child Abuse Awareness Walk on April 29, 2023

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop. Shoemaker moved to approve the consent agenda for April 10, 2023. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss noted the City received a letter of thanks from the Kiwanis Club for Drew, Anna, and Denny's help with the Easter Egg Hunt. Also, the family of Dr. Smith thanks the city for the contribution to the Tuscola Methodist Church.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer – No Report

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

Ordinances

Rund moved to approve ordinance 2023-O-4, an ordinance amending section 52.29 of the city's code of ordinance to increase the reimbursement amount of sidewalk repair or replacement. Morris seconded. Administrator Hoel noted the rate will go from \$7 per linear foot to \$15 per linear foot. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Contracts and Agreements

Waldrop moved to approve the agreement with American Patriot Pyro, Inc., to provide the fireworks display for Sparks in the Park, July 8, 2023, at a cost of \$30,000. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Day moved to approve the purchase of Auger Monster repair parts from JWC Environmental, at a cost of \$22,594.63. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Engineered Solutions Midwest, Inc. has submitted a proposal to install a valve downstream of the master meter station existing control valve to help reduce pressure and prevent back flow when there is high demand downstream on the joint agency line. The parts and labor for the valve installation is \$13,856. Day moved to approve the proposal from Engineered Solutions Midwest, Inc., in the amount of \$13,856, for labor and materials to install a butterfly valve to the master meter station. Brace seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Morris moved to approve the agreement with Donohue & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$6500, for engineering services associated with purchasing and installing a new analog output module for the master meter station valve and program the SCADA system to implement valve control. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

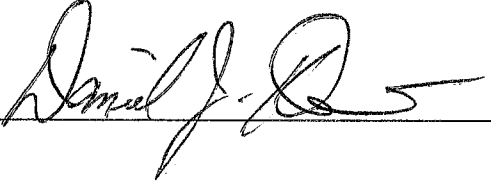
Hoey moved to approve the purchase of a Toro ZTR mower from Tuscola Home Center at a cost of \$22,223.39. Morris seconded. Administrator Hoel pointed out this is the mower

ordered May 2021. The old zero turn mower will be kept and used at Wimple, Hoel added. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

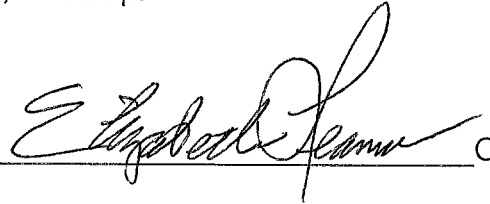
Other

Waldrop moved to approve the temporary summer employee roster as presented. Copy attached. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

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



Mayor



City Clerk