

CITY OF TUSCOLA  
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
TUSCOLA CITY HALL  
June 26, 2017

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Alderman Day was absent. 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 June 12, 2017 meeting
- Financial report for May 2017
- Payment of bills totaling \$150,331.74
- Community Building lease request from Sam Kohlbecker for a reception with alcohol August 11-12, 2017
- Pace for Petey 5K run and route on August 11, 2018
- Use of Wimple Park for a Boy Scout Fall Camporee September 8-10, 2017

Cleland moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Hoey moved to approve the consent agenda for June 26, 2017. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss asked for approval of the council committee assignments as presented. Truitt moved to approve the committee appointments effective July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018. Waldrop seconded. List attached to be included with the minutes. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

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

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel reminded council we will again hold the Kid Town interactive game during our Sparks in the Park celebration on July 8. Kid Town will be held in the Henderson Pavilion. Council is encouraged to take part in these events. Anyone able to help out should contact Anna Nelson.

Ordinances

Shoemaker moved to approve ordinance 2017-0-6, an ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Tuscola. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

A public hearing will be held @ 7:15 pm at the Tuscola City Hall, on July 10, 2017. The purpose of the hearing will be to answer questions and/or concerns from the public regarding the annual appropriation ordinance. Action will be taken on the ordinance during the July 10 council meeting. Administrator Hoel pointed out that the appropriations are purposely high as this ordinance sets the limits. The city will not actually spend the amount appropriated. The ordinance is available for viewing at City Hall.

### Contracts and Agreements

1. Administrator Hoel reported we received five proposals for the demolition of the properties at 114-118 W. North Central. Block Field Tiling, LLC, came in quite a bit lower than the other proposals, Hoel stated, so he checked with the contractor to be sure this was a valid bid. Hoel added the contractor stated it was and Hoel is comfortable with the proposal. Hoey moved to waive formal bidding on the demolition of the properties at 114-118 W. North Central, and award the contract to Block Field Tiling, LLC., in the amount of \$38,800. Rund seconded. Shoemaker asked about any additional charges we might incur with the demolition. Hoel answered he believes everything has been taken care of. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.
2. The HVAC issues at the Community Building have been resolved, Hoel reported. The parties involved have finally agreed the city is not responsible for the broken cooling coil. This will be replaced at no cost to the city. Hoel went on to say the city will pay for the addition of glycol to the system. This should actually not be required if the system is running properly, Hoel added, but the general thought is this is a good idea in case there is a mechanical or software failure. Cleland moved to approve the additional \$4,762, to Building Systems of Illinois/Air King for labor and materials to add glycol anti-freeze to the Community Building HVAC system. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.
3. Administrator Hoel asked for ratification of the oil and chip award made at the June 12 council meeting. Waldrop moved to ratify the oil and chip award made to Earl Walker Co., Inc., in the amount of \$65,801.20. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Alderman Shoemaker abstained. Motion carried.

### Other

Shoemaker moved to approve the appointment of Sebastian Rivera as a part-time police officer. Rund seconded. Rivera will be paid the standard part time officer wage of \$16.50 per hour. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

### New Business

Mayor Kleiss opened discussion on the StarCom 21 radios the county is planning to purchase. Kleiss stated he has spoken with Chief Hastings and some of the county members, adding our stance now is to sit back and have more discussion with the county regarding the radio purchase. Chief Hastings added these radios are way too expensive to jump in and purchase after only talking about them for three months. Administrator Hoel stated if we were to replace every radio we have now, the cost would be \$250,000 - \$300,000. Hastings added that with the current proposal, every radio would also have a monthly charge. Hoel stated the big issue we have been having trouble getting an answer to is, once the county switches over to the new radios we won't be able to talk to them on their primary dispatch frequency. Chief Hastings pointed out the county will still have the city's radio and can call us. After Hastings stated this new system the county is considering is the Mercedes of radios, Truitt asked if there was something more middle of the road we could look into. Hastings answered he has been trying to find the answer to this. Administrator Hoel stated the county is planning to make a change because they do not have enough range with their current radios and cannot talk to a deputy that is on the other side of the county. After more discussion about the StarCom 21 radios, the

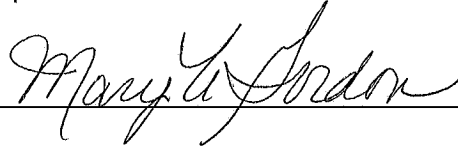
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county's reasons for making a change, and why the county wants the city to also purchase the radios, council decided to do nothing now and wait and see how the radios work out for the county.

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



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Mayor



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Deputy  
City Clerk

Current committee assignments:

Public Safety – Tim Hoey & Troy Rund

Public Works – Scott Day & Danny Cleland

Finance & Admin – Dave Slaughter & Terra Waldrop

Community Development & Planning – Phyllis Truitt & Alan Shoemaker

Assignments effective July 1, 2017:

Public Safety – Dave Slaughter & Danny Cleland

Public Works – Alan Shoemaker & Troy Rund

Finance & Admin – Phyllis Truitt & Terra Waldrop

Community Development & Planning – Tim Hoey, Scott Day, and Alan Shoemaker