

# CITY OF TUSCOLA

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COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
TUSCOLA CITY HALL  
October 23, 2023

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

## Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the October 10, 2023 meeting
- Financial report for September 2023
- Payment of bills totaling \$931,838.34 including
- Pay Requests: Restated change order #1 for fire station (\$13,097.00)  
Restated change order #1 for maintenance building \$149,868.00  
Clark Dietz for downtown improvements – engineering \$22,522.50  
Feutz Construction for Downtown Improvements - \$110,060.56
- Community Building lease with alcohol for Emily Griswell for a wedding reception November 24-26, 2023
- Community Building lease with alcohol for Eloisa Leal for a Quinceanera December 15-17, 2023

Treasurer Long informed council the first restated change order resulted in a net increase of \$1445.00 (fire building); and the second change order (maintenance building) is actually no increase, just a restatement of action taken at the last meeting.

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop. Shoemaker moved to approve the consent agenda for October 23, 2023. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

## Mayor

Mayor Kleiss offered the city's congratulations to the boys and girls Warrior Cross Country teams and the Warrior Football team as they head into the post season.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer – No Report

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

## Resolutions

Mayor Kleiss presented a resolution concerning improvements under the IL Highway Code that deals with the South Washington, Parke, and North Central paving. Funds from Rebuild Illinois and MFT will be used for this project, due to be constructed next spring. Morris moved to approve Resolution 2023-R-4, a resolution appropriating \$295,249.62, in Rebuild Illinois funds for pavement improvements on South Washington, Parke, and a portion of North Central

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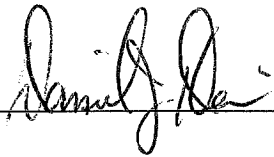
streets. Day seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Other

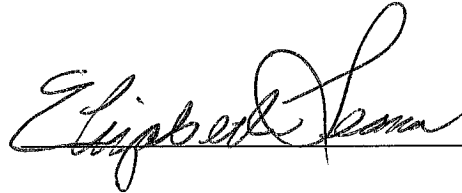
Slaughter moved to approve a \$125 Holiday Bonus for all employees and firefighters. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Mayor Kleiss stated we will be setting a property tax levy before December, In order to comply with the notice period, any plans to levy more than a 5% increase over last year will need to be published. Kleiss added he prefers to keep the levy under 4% and as close to 0 as possible. Treasurer Long stated as long as we do not increase the levy by 5% or more, no action is needed tonight. Long will have estimates of increases below 5% for council consideration at the next meeting.

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



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Mayor



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City Clerk