# CITY OF TUSCOLA

COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS TUSCOLA CITY HALL December 11, 2023

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

Mayor Kleiss informed council of the sad news of Boyd Henderson's passing this morning. Henderson devoted many years to the City of Tuscola as Alderman (Ward III) and City Clerk, beginning in 1981 and running through 2017. One of our park pavilions was named 'Henderson Pavilion' in 2017. Henderson was an outstanding contributor to the city and an outstanding historian for the city. We will miss Henderson, Kleiss stated, and our thoughts and prayers go out to Virginia and family. Council took a moment of silence to honor Boyd Henderson, may he rest in peace.

## Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the November 27, 2023 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$863,683.46
- Pay Requests included in bills: Wohltman Construction for maintenance building \$193,797.90 and
- Wohltman Construction for fire station \$388,387.16

Morris moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop. Rund moved to approve the consent agenda for December 11, 2023. Brace seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Mayor - No Report

City Clerk - No Report

<u>City Treasurer</u> – No Report

City Attorney - No Report

City Administrator - No Report

## **Ordinances**

- 1. Rund moved to approve ordinance 2023-O-12, and ordinance for the levy and assessment of taxes for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2023 and ending April 30, 2024 of the City of Tuscola. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.
- 2. Action was taken on an ordinance to prohibit parking on the west side of Justice St. Discussion on this matter was first introduced during the November 13 meeting. Slaughter moved to approve ordinance 2023-O-13, an ordinance amending chapter 76, schedule 1 of the City of Tuscola code of ordinances to prohibit parking on the west side of Justice Street. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

### Resolutions

Waldrop moved to approve resolution 2023-R-5, a resolution concerning the review and release of Executive Session minutes and the destruction of Executive Session audio recordings. Brace seconded. This includes all executive session minutes from the prior six months (there have been none) and destruction of audio recordings of executive sessions prior to and including June 13, 2022. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

### Contracts and Agreements

Administrator Hoel presented a Professional Services Agreement with Donohue and Associates for design engineering for extension of the East Ensey water main. A developer is constructing three tri-plexes in the 100 block of East Ensey and will need a larger water main extended from Main Street to his property. Hoel went on to say, it might be a good idea for the city to extend the larger water main further east and serve downstream properties and increase fire flow. Donohue and Associates will conduct enough design engineering to apply for permits and solicit proposals for construction of the new main. The developer would pay for the main extension to his property and the city will pay for and install with city crews the portion going further east. Morris moved to approve the PSA with Donohue and Associates for engineering services for the water main extension at a not to exceed amount of \$14,850, contingent on negotiation and execution of an arrangement with the developer to split the cost. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Administrator Hoel reported body cameras for our police department will be required by 2025, and is included in this year's budget. After researching options, Hoel recommends a quote provided by Motorola Solutions that includes eight body cams and 5 in-car dash cans, cloud based storage for each, software to catalog, search and retrieve recordings, warranty, implementation and training. The cost is \$85,912.00, payable over five years with the initial cost at \$21,976 and \$15,984 per year for the next four years. Hoel went on to say the Motorola units are cheaper and in use by neighboring municipalities. Slaughter moved to approve the Motorola Solutions quote for a five year subscription for police body cams, dash cams, cloud storage, all software, warranty, implementation and training at a total cost of \$85,912.00. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Treasurer Long spoke to council about a proposal to begin replacing commercial water meters. Long stated most of the commercial meters were installed 2009 – 2012 and are past due for replacement. Midwest Meter has submitted a proposal for 27 commercial meters at a cost of \$40,265.00. Long added the lead time for these meters is six months and we will order now for summer installation. The expense will be covered in next year's budget. Morris moved to approve the quote from Midwest Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$40,265.00, for replacement of 27 commercial water meters. Brace seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Mayor Kleiss wished everyone a Merry Christmas and safe travels!

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

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