

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
May 22, 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. Paul Wisovaty, VFW Post 10009, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment-None

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the May 8, 2017 meeting
- Financial report for April 2017
- Payment of bills totaling \$108,075.73
- Street closure request for Artisan Market and Outdoor Movie Nights on June 16, June 23, and July 21

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Cleland moved to approve the consent agenda for May 22, 2017. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Alderman Day joined the council meeting at 7:35 pm.

Requested Time on the Agenda

Paul Wisovaty and Sean Conner, representing the TK Martin VFW Post 10009, were in attendance to speak to council about the VFW's plans to hold the Buddy Poppy Sale on May 27, 2017. Proceeds from the poppy sale will go to the relief fund for needy veterans. Conner announced the VFW will host a city wide picnic on June 24 at Ervin Park. The VFW is planning this event to give back to the community and show their support of Tuscola. Displays will be set up showing what the VFW does for veterans and their families. Wisovaty noted this is not a fundraiser; the event is entirely free.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss presented the following names as representatives to the tourism board: Randy Hastings, Drew Hoel, Ashley Swinford, Donna Kidwell, Morrie Mendenhall, Devon Flesor Story, and Allen Schwass. Slaughter moved to approve these appointments to the Tuscola Tourism Board beginning June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2018. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

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 – No Report

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel announced the Kiwanis Club's paper shredding event and electronic recycling collection was rained out this past Saturday. The re-scheduled date for the shredding/recycling event is June 17, 2017.

Ordinances

A resident has requested council consider making the intersection of Barker and Center Streets a four way stop. Council discussed the possibility and heard from Chief Hastings and Alderman Day regarding the traffic on these streets. The general consensus was a four way stop is not needed at this intersection. Chief Hastings noted there have not been an abundance of accidents at this intersection and it would be really odd to have a stop there and again at Main street. Day is guessing the resident requesting the stop is concerned about traffic coming down Barker and a stop will not alleviate this problem. Administrator Hoel stated a little extra police patrol in a neighborhood helps more than a stop sign. Hastings added 30 mph looks like 50 to someone standing in their yard next to the road.

Contracts and Agreements

Treasurer Long discussed an amendment to the Section 125 plan for city employees. This plan a pre-tax flex medical and day care plan. Included in the amendment this year is a provision for Benefits Planning Consultants to administer reimbursements and a \$500 maximum carry over amount for unused deductions at the end of the plan year. Hoey moved to approve the amendment to the Section 125 plan to allow for administration of reimbursements and a \$500 carryover, effective January 1, 2017. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

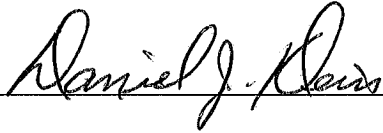
Other

- Mayor Kleiss announced Kathy Frye, pool manager, has submitted a request for two additional lifeguards this summer. Truitt moved to approve Kaleigh Smith and Madeline Clabaugh as lifeguards at the city pool. Shoemaker seconded. Kleiss noted both girls worked as lifeguards last summer. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.
- Administrator Hoel called council's attention to an amendment to the part time police wage schedule. The amendment was needed so that the retired police officers taking part time shifts could be paid at a rate closer to what they were making pre-retirement. Hoey moved to approve the revised FY 18 salary schedule for part time patrol officers as presented. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Copy attached, making this part of the minutes.
- Mayor Kleiss read a note from Boyd Henderson thanking council for his send off at the May 8 meeting. Henderson stated it has been an honor to serve the city.
- Administrator Hoel discussed a proposal from Advanced Disposal regarding the drop off recycling bins next to the Fitness Center and the IGA parking lot. For many years, these bins have been abused by residents (and non-residents) who put non-recyclable items in and around the bins. Hoel stated Ken Miller of Advanced Disposal informed him 60% of the bins are contaminated. Advanced would like to remove the drop off bins and offer curbside recycling at a reduced rate. Hoel went on to say we will lose the drop off bins in the next contract and he feels the proposal from Advanced is a good one for the city. Right now, any resident can sign up for curbside recycling at a cost of \$7.75 per month. Seven residents are currently signed up for this service. In lieu of the drop off bins, Advanced will offer curbside recycling pickup every two weeks @ \$3.50 per month, including container. This will be a voluntary option for our residents; no one is required to sign up for the curbside pickup. The totes provided by Advanced have a list on top spelling out what is recyclable and what cannot

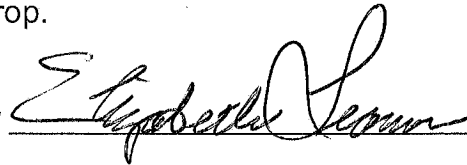
be recycled. Advanced will be able to monitor the contents of the totes and let residents know if they are disposing of non-recyclable materials in the totes. Hoey asked how long the \$3.50 fee will remain in effect. Hoel answered until the end of the current contract in 2021. Once council has acted on the proposal, an amendment to the current contract will be drafted for approval. Hoel stated Advanced can be ready to go with the curbside recycling in two weeks.

- Cleland moved council go into executive session to discuss personnel. Waldrop seconded. The time was 8:00 pm. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. The meeting was called back to order at 8:18 pm with Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop and Mayor Kleiss in attendance.

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



Mayor



City Clerk

**CITY OF TUSCOLA
WAGE SCHEDULE AMMENDMENT
PART TIME POLICE
EFFECTIVE 05/22/2017**

PART TIME POLICE OFFICER (RETIREE FROM CITY OF TUSCOLA) - \$20.56/hr

Rex Hall
Richard Lamb
Clifford Ponder

PART TIME POLICE OFFICER (OTHER THAN RETIREE) - \$16.50/hr

Lonnie Homann
Todd Thomas