

CITY OF TUSCOLA

COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
January 27, 2025

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

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the January 13, 2025, meeting
- Financial Report for December 2024
- Payment of bills totaling \$216,221.43
- Pay Requests:
 - C&S Companies for the Meadowview Water Main - \$49,673.32 –to be taken from EPA grant
 - Change order for Meadowview Water Main - \$34,587.70

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop. Waldrop moved to approve the consent agenda for January 27, 2025. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda

Eric Shangraw, GFL Environmental, addressed council about the City's solid waste services and stated GFL would like the opportunity to bid on the next contract, which expires August 2025. GFL is the fourth largest solid waste service provider in North America and currently holds 84 municipal contracts, Shangraw stated. GFL offers all services the City currently has with Waste Management and has various locations for waste and recycling drop off. The normal length of a GFL contract is 5-7 years, according to Shangraw. Customer service is in the Peoria area.

Mayor

1. Mayor Kleiss publicly thanked Captain Bill Hemmer for his 27 years of service to the City as fireman.
2. The recently opened Tuscola Breakfast Place is working through some issues regarding their liquor license and should be able to serve alcohol in the coming weeks.
3. Mayor Kleiss reported the Denny's property sold and the new owners will be opening a dining establishment in the near future. The owners are interested in obtaining a liquor license, Mayor Kleiss stated, and he has met with them about this.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer – No Report

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator - No Report

Ordinances

Mayor Kleiss presented a surplus property ordinance for disposal of several pieces of older equipment no longer needed. These items include: 2014 Ford F250, 2012 Ford F350 with snow plow, two old leaf vacuums, and 1969 road grader. Morris moved to approve ordinance 2025-O-1, an ordinance declaring various vehicles and equipment as surplus property and authorizing the sale of same. Day seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Resolutions

Hoey moved to approve Resolution 2025-R-2, a resolution adopting the 2025 water and sewer rate schedule. Day seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

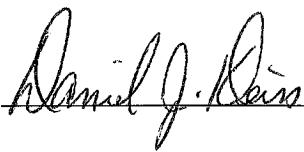
Contracts and Agreements

- Slaughter moved to approve the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) with Carle, as part of our drug and alcohol program, at a cost of \$910 for one year. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.
- Rund moved to approve the annual audit engagement proposal from Larsson, Woodyard, and Henson (LWH) CPA's, at a cost of \$35,500.00. Treasurer Long noted the cost of the audit is higher this year because of Federal grant funds the City received. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.
- Hoey moved to approve a \$5,569.00, purchase from Beacon Athletics for replacement of the backstop nets on the south baseball diamond. Waldrop seconded. Administrator Hoel pointed out the fabric does not need to be replaced; only the nets. This is done about every 10 years. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

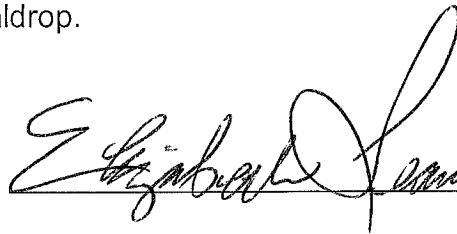
Other

Day moved to approve the updated fire department roster as presented. Due to work obligations, one probationary firefighter was removed. Copy of updated roster attached. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

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



Mayor



City Clerk