

CITY OF TUSCOLA

COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
February 9, 2026

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

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the January 26, 2026, meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$277,259.52
- Pay request from AKRA Builders in the amount of \$123,125.25, for the pool house renovation (included in bills total)
- Pay request from Swinderman, Inc., for the Community Building A/V system for \$16,121.15 (included in bills total)
- Community Building lease requests with alcohol:
 1. Becky's Buddies Glo Bingo on April 17, 2026
 2. Tuscola Women's Club Trivia Night March 13, 2026
 3. Douglas County Ducks Unlimited Banquet February 27, 2026

Day moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop. Rund moved to approve the consent agenda for February 9, 2026. Brace seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Carol Burwell, representing the Tuscola Kiwanis Club, was present to speak to council about the club's annual Easter Egg Hunt. The event will be held on the North Ward school grounds and is planned for March 28, with a rain date of April 4. The club requests temporary closure of a portion of Forest Glen during the event; four barricades and four trash barrels.

Mayor – No Report

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer – No Report

City Attorney- No Report

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel stated he is doing well after his recent surgery. Hoel thanked all who have been checking on him and Treasurer Long for her assistance with urgent matters. Treasurer Long added Hoel's duties are plentiful!

Ordinances

Shoemaker moved to approve ordinance 2026-0-1, an ordinance authorizing the ceding of private bonding authority. Slaughter seconded. The ordinance transfers our allocation (\$628,830.00) to issue tax exempt development bonds to the Eastern IL Economic Development Authority. The allocation can be combined with other home rule government's allocations and be used for a

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larger development within the region. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

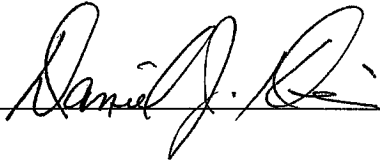
Contracts and Agreements

The breaker attachment for the Bobcat Skidsteer has been having maintenance issues and broke again last week. The cost to repair was over \$7000, which is more than the cost of a new breaker. Waldrop moved to approve the purchase of a new breaker attachment from Bobcat of Champaign, at a cost of \$6960.16. Day seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

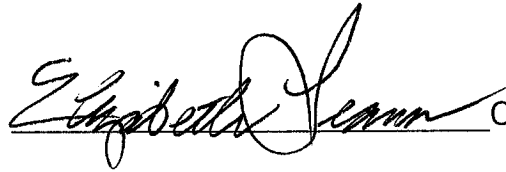
Other

Mayor Kleiss mentioned Paul Shipley and Mike Talbott, Tuscom Little League, came prior to the meeting to discuss some upgrades to the east diamond. Kleiss would like to wait on this matter until Administrator Hoel returns and has a chance to look over the numbers.

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



Mayor



City Clerk