CITY OF TUSCOLA COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS TUSCOLA CITY HALL June 25, 2018

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

Public Comment - None

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the June 11, 2018, meeting
- Financial report for May 2018
- Payment of bills totaling \$114,034.14
- Sparks in the Park 5K route, parade route, and closure of North Line Road

Shoemaker moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Cleland moved to approve the consent agenda for June 25, 2018. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss presented names of individuals to be appointed as tourism board members. Truitt moved to approve the appointments of Randy Hastings, Drew Hoel, Ashley Swinford, Donna Kidwell, Morrie Mendenhall, Devon Flesor Story, Allen Schwass, and Bill Hill to the tourism board for the year beginning June 1, 2018 and ending May 31, 2019. Day seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Shoemaker moved to approve the following as probationary firefighters: Brian Bosch, Matthew Bright, Nicholas Cler, James Earl, Chris Hanners, Rob Hardwick, and Josh Vandeventer. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Three firefighters – Steve Cook, Elvin Kauffman and Mike Thomas - are retiring from the department. A walk-out ceremony will be held to honor these three retirees on Wednesday, June 27, at 6:00 pm at the South Fire Station.

City Clerk - No Report

City Treasurer - Absent

In Long's absence, Administrator Hoel reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans.

City Attorney – Absent

City Administrator

Hoel asked council to be sure and let Alta or Anna know if they are available to help with Kid Town during the Sparks in the Park celebration on July 7, 2018. Kid Town will be held @ the Henderson (south) Pavilion.

Contracts and Agreements

Administrator Hoel reported Chief Hastings was able to find a new 2016 Impala Police Package Interceptor at Miles Chevrolet and would like council approval to purchase the vehicle. Hastings added this is the last chance to purchase a sedan. Chevy and Ford are going to the police SUV's and will no longer offer a sedan. Slaughter moved to approve the purchase of a 2016 Impala Police Package Interceptor from Miles Chevrolet, at a cost of \$22,866.75. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Requests for TIF Assistance

Administrator Hoel stated Austin Apgar has agreed to purchase the Daylight Donuts building on route 36 from Richard and Donna Kidwell. Apgar has approached the city about the possibility of assuming the 0% TIF loan on the property, currently \$50,125.00. Apgar requests the principal balance be reduced to \$40,000, if he opens a restaurant on the property within six months. Since Apgar is a principal investor in the Lambo's property, he is also requesting full forgiveness of the remaining balance of the TIF loan if a \$1.5 million expansion is completed at Lambo's within 18 months. Hoel went on to say we are nearing the end of TIF and do not have funds for TIF grants/loans. Apgar has indicated he has an exciting restaurant project in the works for this property and a \$1.5 million expansion at Lambo's would be good for the city. Shoemaker moved to approve the assumption of the Kidwell TIF loan on the Daylight Donuts property by Austin Apgar, as well as the provisions outlined for reducing the balance and loan forgiveness, pending approval by the City Attorney. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Other

- Mayor Kleiss read a letter of resignation from long time city employee, Bert Ray. Ray is leaving the city to work for IDOT. Cleland moved to approve the resignation of Bertrand Ray, effective June 29, 2018. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Mayor Kleiss thanked Ray for his 24 years of service to the city and wished him good luck in his new endeavors.
- 2. Kleiss announced Cindy Stevens, part time police secretary, is also resigning her position with the city. Truitt moved to approve the resignation of Cynthia Stevens as part time police department secretary, effective July 6, 2018.

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Mayor Kleiss wished everyone a safe and happy 4th!

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