

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
September 10, 2018

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. 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 August 27, 2018, meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$141,256.24
- Community Building lease request for a TCHS Alumni reunion with alcohol on September 28, 2018

Rund moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Truitt moved to approve the consent agenda for September 10, 2018. Cleland seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

Mayor

1. Mayor Kleiss offered the city's condolences to Clerk Leamon on the passing of her mother. Mayor Kleiss read a note from the family of Kay Yelton, thanking the City for their donation to The First Baptist Church of Barry.
2. Mayor Kleiss presented the name of Jordan Smith for appointment to the city street department. Smith is currently employed at Tuscola Builders and has worked part time during the winter for IDOT. Smith has an Associate degree in diesel mechanics from Parkland College. He currently lives near Arcola and is a firefighter there. Day moved to approve the appointment of Jordan Smith to the city street department at the wage of \$20 per hour. Rund asked what the city's rules are for employees living outside the city limits. Administrator Hoel stated the employee can request a residency waiver from council. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.
3. The appointment of a police department employee was tabled.
4. Mayor Kleiss stated he has had reports of citizens with golf cart type vehicles driving on route 36. This is not allowed. Also, all golf cart type vehicles driven on city streets must have a permit.
5. Mayor Kleiss commented the removal of the fence behind City Hall improved the looks of the area. Council agreed.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans. Long added council should have a copy of the annual Treasurer's report in front

of them. This is for information only. Any questions about this report should be directed to Treasurer Long.

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel read a letter of resignation from Todd Thomas, who is resigning from the police department. Thomas was employed full time with the TPD until he got on at the University of Illinois police department. Since then Thomas has filled in part time for the city, Hoel stated.

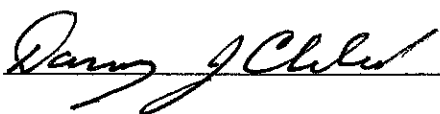
Contracts and Agreements

Mayor Kleiss presented an amendment to the city's PSA agreement with MSA Professional Services. The PSA was approved at an earlier meeting this year and calls for MSA to look into options for repairing the city's tennis and basketball courts and prepare grant documents for the Illinois Department of Resources OSLAD grant program. The amendment will add \$800 to our existing agreement and will include cost estimates for replacing light poles on the ball diamonds and adding this project to the OSLAD grant application. Day pointed out the poles at the diamonds were made shorter years ago. This is only a problem during night games. Administrator Hoel added there are published standards for lighting diamonds; you can find standards for all types of diamonds from Little League to the majors. Truitt moved to amend the PSA with MSA Professional Services to add ball diamond light pole replacement to the OSLAD grant application at a cost of \$800. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

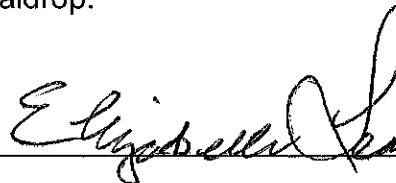
Other

Council discussed a request from a TCHS parent who would like to paint T's on the Tuscola streets. The T's would be sold to individuals as a fundraiser for the freshman class. Administrator Hoel pointed out school logos/mascots are often painted on roadways. Council is unsure about whether they want paint on our roads and have questions about maintenance of the T's. Mayor Kleiss pointed out T's were painted on some of the roads years ago during playoffs. He thinks they may have used spray paint then. Hoel suggested several streets near the school that haven't been resurfaced in a while. These could be painted with T's as a trial. Council recommends Administrator Hoel and Foreman Cruzan work with the freshman class parents on this project to be sure they paint only the approved streets.

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



Mayor



City Clerk