

CITY OF TUSCOLA  
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
TUSCOLA CITY HALL  
February 25, 2019

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 February 11, 2019 meeting
- Financial reports for January 2019
- Payment of bills totaling \$146,567.55
- Community Building lease with alcohol for a Pheasants Forever dinner March 16, 2019

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Truitt moved to approve the consent agenda for February 25, 2019. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss stated he went to the Douglas County Mental Health open house this evening. The mental health office is in the process of re-branding and will be known as RISE Behavioral Health and Wellness beginning March 1, 2019. Kleiss added RISE offers many support programs to the residents of Douglas County.

Mayor Kleiss congratulated the TCHS Warriorettes on their 5<sup>th</sup> place finish at the state and wished the TCHS Boys' Basketball team good luck in the sectional. Kleiss also congratulated Clerk Leamon and husband John on 50 years of marriage.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans. Red Barn Veterinary Services continues to make payments.

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

Contracts and Agreements

Mayor Kleiss presented an agreement with Jamaica Pyrotechnics for the annual fireworks display scheduled for July 6, 2019. The agreement is in the amount of \$25,000, and authorizes a 25% down payment. Day moved to approve the agreement with Jamaica Pyrotechnics in the amount of \$25,000, for the annual Sparks in the Park display on July 6, 2019. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Other

- The tourism annual report has been included in the meeting packet. Treasurer Long stated the report has a lot of information to absorb. If council has questions they should contact her for clarification.
- Mayor Kleiss thanked Chief AJ for the copies of his recent publication –Exploits of Chief AJ. The Chief came in before council and handed out a copy to members and staff. Kleiss added Chief AJ was very complimentary of the council and stated he would not have been able to publish this book without the backing of the city and others.
- Administrator Hoel announced the Plan Commission is meeting this Thursday @ 7 pm to hear a request for a special use permit. Also, three of the four budget planning meetings are scheduled for the week of March 4. The fourth budget meeting is scheduled for the week of March 11. Hoel stated a lot of the budget will be matching funds required for our recent grant award for Ervin Park; however, any last minute ideas for projects should be forwarded to Administrator Hoel or Treasurer Long so they can investigate costs.

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



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Mayor



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City Clerk