

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
Tuscola City Hall
January 26, 2015

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

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the January 12, 2015 meeting
- Financial reports for December 2014
- Payment of bills totaling \$369,684.25
- Pay request in the amount of \$285,883.10, to Otto Baum Company for the Tuscola Boulevard extension (amount included in total bills)
- Pay request (final) in the amount of \$13,201.98, to Stark Excavating for the Scattering Forks improvements (also in total bills)

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. Henderson moved to approve the consent agenda for January 26, 2015. Maxey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Mayor - Nothing

City Clerk – Absent

Deputy Clerk Gordon had nothing to report for Clerk Leamon.

City Treasurer

Long announced the only TIF delinquency is Eddie Boutilier. Long called council's attention to the annual tourism board report. Any questions can be directed to Long, Alderwoman Truitt or Administrator Hoel. Hoey asked if anything was going on with Eddie Boutilier. Hoel answered there has been discussion about a potential tenant in Boutilier's building, but he does not know any more right now. The Boutilier delinquency will be discussed at next week's TIF meeting. Long also called council's attention to a 'save the date' for an area-wide tourism meeting in Arcola. There will be a motivational speaker at this meeting.

City Attorney – Nothing

City Administrator - Nothing

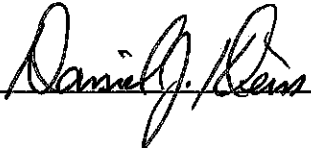
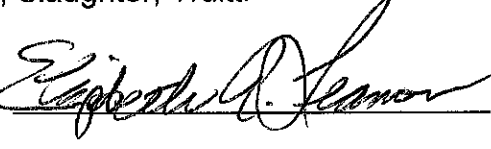
Contracts and Agreements

Administrator Hoel recommends continuing participation in the Employee Assistance Program offered by Carle Resolutions, at a cost of \$832. The EAP provides services such as assessment, counseling, referral and case management for personal issues to all 26 of the City's employees. Truitt moved to approve the contract to extend participation in the Employee Assistance Program with Carle Resolutions for one year at a cost of \$832. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Other

Henderson moved to approve the appointment of Todd Thomas as Patrol Officer I, effective February 2, 2015. Slaughter seconded. Hoel pointed out Thomas' six month probationary pay will be 0.50 less per hour than the scale wage for Patrol Officer I. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. Administrator Hoel reported the other candidate for a position with the police department has withdrawn his application.

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

 _____ Mayor  _____ City Clerk