

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
August 26, 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.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the August 12, 2019 meeting
- Financial report for July 2019
- Payment of bills totaling \$129,059.24
- Request from the Cub Scouts to sell popcorn on Festival Corner September 20-21, 2019
- Street closure for the Cast Iron Pub grand opening block party September 28, 2019

Day moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Cleland moved to approve the consent agenda for August 26, 2019. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Mayor - No Report

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 on their loan.

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

Ordinances

Mayor Kleiss opened discussion on the ordinance to establish a Special Service Area (SSA) for the Ironhorse subdivision and the acceptance of an application to establish a SSA, which was submitted by the Ironhorse Homeowner's Association (HOA). Administrator Hoel added the HOA has submitted a formal application requesting the city establish a SSA for certain areas of the subdivision. Hoey moved to approve the application to establish a SSA, submitted by the Ironhorse HOA. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Day moved to approve ordinance 2019-O-5, an ordinance proposing the establishment of the Ironhorse Special Service Area (SSA) in the City of Tuscola, providing for the city to levy a special tax and issue SSA bonds in an amount sufficient to pay costs of certain special services within the Ironhorse SSA, and setting a date and providing notice for a

related public hearing. Shoemaker seconded. Administrator Hoel recapped the process for establishing a SSA. This ordinance is setting forth the intent to pursue a process, and includes cost estimates (conservative), including all costs associated with establishing a SSA. The ordinance explains the project and identifies the tracts of land to be included in the SSA. At least 60 days from today there will be a public hearing about the SSA and bond issue. This is followed by a 60 day objection period during which residents and property owners can file a written objection to the SSA. If 51% of residents and 51% of property owners file complaints, the process will end. Hoel went on to say if 51% of residents and 51% of property owners do not file complaints, the council will meet on the last Monday in December to pass an ordinance to actually establish the SSA. By the time notice is issued to every property owner, we will need to have a maximum levy. All costs associated with establishing the SSA will be paid by the Ironhorse property owners. Hoel added every residential lot in Ironhorse has been included in this ordinance proposing the establishment of a SSA. It is possible some lots will be excluded once the engineers have submitted their final design. Roll was taken on the motion to approve the ordinance to establish a SSA in the Ironhorse subdivision. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Contracts and Agreements

Slaughter moved to approve the purchase of fire rescue equipment from Equipment Management Company (EMC) in the amount of \$31,732. Truitt seconded. Chief Moody stated the department is purchasing new and/or upgrading current spreading and cutting tools and hose system. Administrator Hoel added \$15K was included in the current budget for upgrades to the fire department's equipment. An additional \$15K would have been included in next year's budget as well. Hoel added he recommends purchasing all at once rather than spreading the purchases out over two years. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Day, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

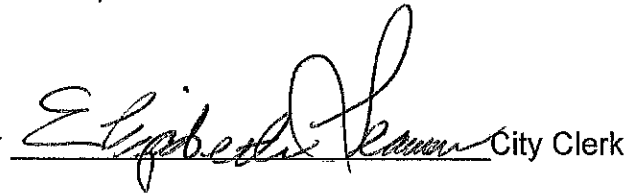
Other

Mayor Kleiss and council congratulated Alderman Cleland on his 35th wedding anniversary.

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



Mayor

 City Clerk