

CITY OF TUSCOLA  
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
TUSCOLA CITY HALL  
March 9, 2020

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Day, Hoey, Morris, 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 February 24, 2020 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$88,128.24
- Community Building lease request from Becky's Buddies for a trivia night on April 4, 2020
- Street closures for Wheels Car Club show on June 6, 2020
- Belz 5K run route for April 18, 2020

Day moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA\* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop. Shoemaker moved to approve the consent agenda for March 9, 2020. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

Mayor – No Report

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

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

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

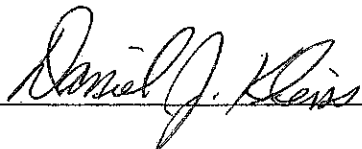
Ordinances

Administrator Hoel discussed the ordinance to authorize the ceding of bonding authority to the Eastern Illinois Economic Development Authority (EIEDA). Hoel stated because the city is home rule, we are allotted a portion of the State's tax exempt bonding authority for commercial or industrial projects. Since our allocation is small (450K), we are unable to use our authority for commercial or industrial projects. If unused, the authority goes back to the State. Hoel went on to say we can assign our authority to other agencies that may be able to get amounts from several jurisdictions and use it in support of regional projects. Tuscola has allocated its authority to the EIEDA the last several years and Hoel recommends doing so again this year. Shoemaker moved to approve ordinance 2020-O-4, an ordinance authorizing the ceding of private activity bonding authority. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA\* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

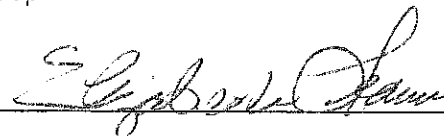
Contracts and Agreements

1. Chief Moody has submitted a quote for 10 sets of turnout gear for the firefighters. The quote amount is \$16,716.70, and is approximately \$650 over the budgeted amount for small equipment. Waldrop moved to approve the purchase of 10 sets of turn out gear from Municipal Emergency Services at a cost of \$16,716.70. Day seconded. VOTE YEA\* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.
2. Administrator Hoel addressed council about water usage and repair/rebuilding of water meters. Hoel stated the city has been experiencing high water usage, especially during the past six to eight months. The leak detection conducted last year really didn't show anything that would account for the high usage. The repairs to small leaks and adjustments to the meter read software done last year did not solve the problem, Hoel added. He and Foreman Cruzan are stumped by the high usage and recommend repairing or rebuilding some of the large meters. Slaughter moved to approve the agreement with Midwest Meters to rebuild/repair meters at a cost of \$6526.00. Rund seconded. Hoel stated he is in the process of getting budget numbers for annual maintenance. VOTE YEA\* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop
3. Mayor Kleiss presented an agreement with PGAV Planners, Urban Planning Consultants. The agreement proposes a market analysis, marketing materials and development concepts for the Tuscola Outlets Property. Once complete, the city would be able to discuss revitalization of this area with the current owners or potential buyers and developers. Hoey moved to enter into an agreement with PGAV Planners for market analysis, marketing materials, and development concepts for the Tuscola Outlets Property, at a cost of \$55,000.00. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA\* Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, Waldrop.

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



Mayor



City Clerk