

CITY OF TUSCOLA  
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
Tuscola City Hall  
March 24, 2014

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

### Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the March 10, 2014 meeting
- Financial report for February 2014
- Payment of bills totaling \$108,051.30
- Fundraising request from the VFW for poppy sales July 4 & 5
- Fundraising request from the Polish Legion for poppy sales April 25 & 26
- Street closure request from the Douglas County Health Dept for a "From Heels to Health" dash on June 14
- Request to use the Ervin Park pavilion on June 14 for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Amish Tractor Cruise

Henderson moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker. Cleland moved to approve the consent agenda for March 24, 2014. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

### Mayor

Kleiss announced Jim and Kay Higgins will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this week-end.

City Clerk – Nothing

### City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported the following TIF delinquencies: PMG Tuscola; and Bruce and Andrea Robinson.

City Attorney – Nothing

City Administrator - Nothing

### Ordinances

Administrator Hoel discussed an ordinance concerning an amendment to our current investment policy. The Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund (IMET) is an approved public investment pool offering better returns than we are receiving through the Illinois Funds. Hoey moved to approve ordinance 2014-O-2, an ordinance to amend the provisions of the public funds investment policy of the city, being ordinance 99-O-17. Maxey seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

Resolutions

Administrator Hoel presented a resolution authorizing participation in IMET to enhance investment opportunities and increase earnings. Henderson moved to approve resolution 2014-R-2, a resolution approving and authorizing execution of a second amended and restated declaration of trust. Maxey seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

As stated in the budget, the annual oil and chip maintenance will be paid this year through the general fund. Hoel recommends running these expenditures through IDOT channels for documentation of local funds being spent and to show standard IDOT regulations have been applied. Cleland moved to approve resolution 2014-R-3, appropriating \$0 in motor fuel tax funds for highway and street maintenance April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

Contracts and Agreements

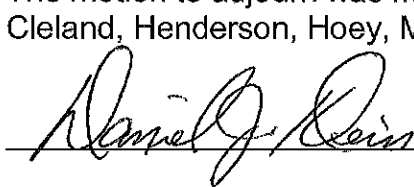
The maintenance engineering for the oil and chip will be performed by Jim Crane, Hoel reported. Crane is paid a base fee of \$1250 plus a fee based on the actual bid costs. Maxey moved to approve the engineering agreement with Jim Crane for the annual oil and chip project. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

Administrator Hoel reported the fireworks display expense is included in the tourism budget. Jamaica Pyrotechnics has submitted a contract for sale and display of fireworks for July 5, 2014, at a cost of \$20,000. Maxey moved to approve the \$20,000 contract with Jamaica Pyrotechnics, Inc. for the fireworks display July 5, 2014. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

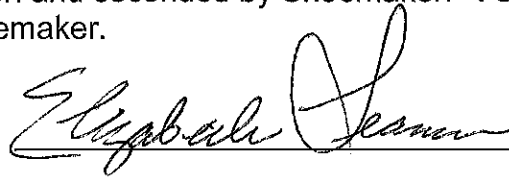
The second portion of the Illinois EPA water loan covers water main improvements, repairs, and a re-do of the defective bore under the Niles railroad tracks, Hoel reported. The final loan amount for these projects, as well as the tower blasting and painting done earlier is \$948,769.16. Seip moved to approve the loan agreement with the Illinois EPA Public Water Supply Loan Program in the amount of \$948.769.16. Cleland seconded. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.

Other

Mayor Kleiss thanked Treasurer Long and Administrator Hoel for the good work on the budget. The motion to adjourn was made by Henderson and seconded by Shoemaker. VOTE YEA\* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker.



Mayor



City Clerk