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

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Carly McCrory led the Pledge of Allegiance. Deputy Clerk Angie Gordon kept the official record of the meeting.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the February 10, 2014 meeting
- Financial reports for January 2014
- Payment of bills totaling \$113,413.90
- Community Building lease request with alcohol from Maria Vega for an anniversary party on March 8, 2014

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

Requested Time on the Agenda

Carly McCrory, Mallory Davidson, Ali Ray, and Amber Seip were present to ask council permission for a street closing during the 3rd annual Marilyn Davidson High Heel Dash. The event coordinators are planning the dash for Saturday morning, June 14, 2014, and would like to close a portion of Main Street. Council approved the request to close a portion of Main Street on June 14, 2014.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss thanked Joe Beniach and his employees for bringing in equipment and clearing the ice jams out of the Hayes Creek this past Thursday.

<u>City Clerk</u> – Absent

City Treasurer

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

City Attorney - Nothing

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel announced he would be advertising for summer help in the next two weeks.

Contracts and Agreements

Three lease agreements and the IEPA water loan agreement were discussed and acted upon.

- 1. The lease agreement between the City and Illini FS for the property near the dog pound will be extended for another five year term from January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2018. The terms of the lease are the same. Cleland moved to approve the lease agreement with Illini FS for their propane facility near the dog pound at a rate of \$1800 per year for five years, ending December 31, 2018. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.
- 2. A lease extension agreement will be considered by the Tuscola Township Board at their next meeting. This lease is for the property where the highway department is located. The current lease contains an automatic 10 year extension at the Township's request and City's consent. Truitt moved to approve the lease extension agreement with the Tuscola Township Board on the highway department property. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.
- 3. The Canadian National Railroad has offered a three year lease extension on the property the City uses for pool parking. The current lease will be extended through June 24, 2017, with an annual rental payment of \$600. Henderson moved to approve the lease renewal with Canadian National Railroad for the land used as a parking lot at the city pool. Hoey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.
- 4. Council discussed the final IEPA public water supply loan/grant the city received for blasting and painting the water tower. The agreement shows the final loan amount as \$601,230.84. Shoemaker moved to accept the IEPA loan offer of \$601,230.84, for the recently completed water tower construction project. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Other

Annual budget committee meetings will be scheduled during the weeks of March 10 and March 17. Council should inform the city staff of any project ideas before the committee meetings.

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