

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
Tuscola City Hall
May 27, 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. Paul Wisovaty led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk Leamon and Administrator Hoel were absent for this meeting.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the May 12, 2014 meeting
- Financial report for April 2014
- Payment of bills totaling \$220,404.55
- Fundraising request from the VFW Post 10009 for their Poppy Sales July 4 & 5th

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. Maxey moved to approve the consent agenda for May 27, 2014. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss presented the name of Kris Clodfelder to replace Devon Story on the Library Board. Seip moved to approve the appointment of Clodfelder to the Library Board. Maxey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

City Clerk – Nothing

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported the following TIF delinquencies: PMG Tuscola; and Bruce and Andrea Robinson. Long called council's attention to their copies of the final budget for FY 15.

City Attorney – Nothing

City Administrator

In Hoel's absence, Treasurer Long reported five city vehicles were damaged in the hail storm. The adjustor has not looked at the vehicles as yet, Long stated. The building adjustor will be assessing the damage to the city buildings on Thursday, the 29th. Henderson asked Foreman Cruzan about the water leaks at the pool. Cruzan answered one leak was found in the baby pool. The big pool ran for one week with out losing any water at all. On Saturday, it began losing 100 gallons per hour; now it is up to 600 gallons per hour. Maxey asked if we have had any length of time since the refurbishing that we have not had problems with leakage. Cruzan answered just last week. Shoemaker asked about a warranty on the pool renovations. Mayor Kleiss answered Administrator Hoel is researching this.

Discussion was held on the audio visual estimate submitted for the council chambers and discussed in Administrator Hoel's report. Treasurer Long feels this is a good solution to our needs. Council discussed number of projectors and screens needed and whether or not to use motorized screens. Long reported everyone who has given an estimate has recommended at least two and in some instances three screens. Henderson moved to approve the quote submitted by Imagine Audio Visual Services for the installation of projectors, screens, microphones, and recording software for the council chambers and downstairs conference room at a cost of \$15,950.00, pending Administrator Hoel's approval. Truitt seconded. Hoey stated he has a problem with spending this much right now. Cleland asked about the budgeted amount. Long answered the budgeted amount is right at the amount of the quote. Shoemaker asked if it would be cheaper if each position had its own monitor instead of the larger ones. Long answered this option was discussed; the problem is getting all the monitors controlled. Truitt pointed out council is seeing this for the first time; however, the staff has been researching for quite some time and they know what they want. Hoey would like someone to explain why we need all this. Shoemaker thinks it would be helpful to have a footprint showing where the components will be placed. This might help council see if there is \$15,000 in value. Roll was then taken on the motion to accept the quote from Imagine Audio Visual for the council chambers projectors and recording equipment. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Maxey, Seip, Truitt. VOTE NAY *Hoey, Shoemaker, Slaughter. Motion carried.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Action was taken on an agreement for a state wide mutual aid system for law enforcement for the Tuscola Police Department. Tuscola has been a member of this system since 2003. Hoey moved to approve resolution 2014-R-4, a resolution authorizing the execution of a law enforcement mutual aid agreement and the existence and formation of the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System by Intergovernmental Cooperation. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Contracts and Agreements

Northern Power Systems has submitted an agreement for monitoring, maintenance, and repair of the wind turbine. The monitoring included in the warranty will expire soon and city staff recommends approving the five year contract submitted by Northern. After a question from Hoey, Long reported the monitoring expense was taken into account when estimating savings from the turbine. Also, by going with the five year contract, we will save some money over the amount budgeted for each year, Long stated. Cleland moved to approve the five year service and monitoring agreement with Northern Power Wind Turbine at a cost of \$25,000. Maxey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Long reported the IEPA has requested a revised loan agreement for what we thought was the final agreement, passed March 24, 2014. The revised agreement changes the start date *only* for payments – from July 1 to October 1. Maxey moved to approve the revised water loan agreement with the Illinois EPA, changing the start date for payback from July 1 to October 1. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Requests for TIF Assistance

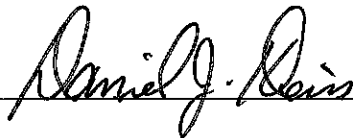
Mayor Kleiss discussed a request submitted by Burger King for assistance with an access road to Appgar Avenue. Burger King was able to purchase some property north of their location, Kleiss

stated. Previous to this purchase, the city had discussed the possibility of helping with the access road and curb. Truitt moved to approve up to \$30,000 in TIF funds to Burger King for an access road to Apgar Avenue. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

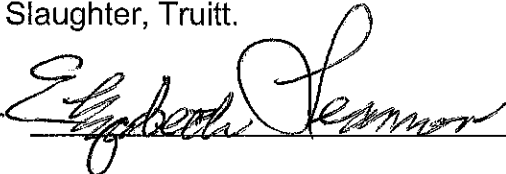
Other

- Hoey opened discussion on stray cats in town by stating he received a call from a resident on Dagggy Street who informed him he has a neighbor who feeds all the stray cats. Last year, the resident took 18 kittens to the shelter and sees the pattern repeating again this year, Hoey stated. The resident asked Hoey if there was anything the city can do. Attorney Bequette discussed possible ordinances and the difficulty enforcing them. Bequette will revisit the issue with Administrator Hoel.
- Treasurer Long reported someone had inquired about keeping chickens in town. Long informed them we have ordinances against anything but domesticated animals.

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



Mayor



City Clerk