

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
June 14, 2021

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Brace (virtual), Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Aldermen Day, Morris, and Waldrop were absent. Mayor Kleiss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment - None

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the May 24, 2021 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$423,678.67, which includes a pay request of \$55,444.26, for fencing at Ervin Park and \$23,386.50, for the new courts at Ervin Park
- Fundraising request from TK Martin Memorial VFW Post 10009 on July 3, 2021
- Community Building lease request with alcohol from Sara Pangborn June 25-27, 2021
- Approval of a Pace for Petey 5 K run route to be held September 18, 2021
- Patriotic Parade request for July 4, 2021, submitted by TK Martin VFW

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda for June 14, 2021. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA*, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter. Due to technical difficulties with Brace's connection, Mayor Kleiss voted YEA. Motion carried. Slaughter moved to approve the consent agenda for June 14, 2021, as presented. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss congratulated the TCHS girls track team on their success at the state meet. Alyssa Williams placed first in the long jump, 100 meter and 200 meter. The girls 4x200 relay of Williams, Brynn Tabeling, Mia Hausmann, and Laney Cummings took 6th.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans. Treasurer Long called council's attention to the annual appropriation ordinance in their packets. The ordinance is available for review on the city's website, or residents can request a copy for pickup. The public hearing prior to passage will be held at 7:15 pm July 12, 2021.

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

Ordinances

1. A surplus property ordinance was presented for council action. The ordinance allows for the sale of a 2013 Chevrolet Impala police car. Hoey moved to approve ordinance 2021-O-5, an ordinance declaring a squad car surplus property and authorizing sale of same. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.
2. Action was taken on an ordinance with Ameren to allow operation of an electric utility system within the City of Tuscola. This long term ordinance extends authorization to Ameren for 20 years. Shoemaker moved to approve ordinance 2021-O-6, an ordinance renewing an existing franchise and granting for a period of 20 years to Ameren Illinois, a corporation, its successors, and assigns, the franchise, right, permission and authority to construct, reconstruct, excavate for, place, remove, extend, maintain, and operate an electric utility system in the City of Tuscola. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.

Resolutions

The bi-annual resolution concerning executive session minutes was presented for approval. Administrator Hoel reported there have been no executive sessions in the past six months. This resolution will allow for destruction of recordings of executive session minutes as long as 18 months have passed since the session and the minutes were approved. Slaughter moved to approve resolution 2021-R-2, a resolution concerning the review and release of executive session minutes and the destruction of executive session audio recordings. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.

Contract and Agreements

- The Tuscola Fire Department applied for and has been awarded a grant from the Office of the State Fire Marshal. The funds are to be used for replacement of 14 sets of fire gear. Hoey moved to approve the grant agreement in the amount of \$24,412.50 between the City of Tuscola and the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.
- Administrator Hoel discussed two quotes for a new street department one ton dump truck. Hoel stated \$75,000 was included in the capital replacement plan to replace one of the street department dump trucks. A quote from Ford of Tuscola for the truck chassis and another quote from Rahn Equipment for the dump bed, hydraulics, and snow plow installation have been submitted. The two quotes total \$600+ more than the \$75,000 allotted, Hoel stated. The extra expenditure is necessary in order to have the needed accessories. Shoemaker moved to approve the quote submitted by Ford of Tuscola, for a 2022 Ford F-450 4x4 regular cab chassis in the amount of \$38,098.68. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss. Shoemaker moved to

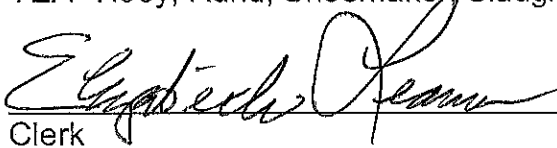
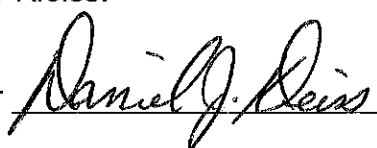
approve the quote submitted by Rahn Equipment for materials and installation of dump bed, hydraulics, snow plow, and accessories for the F-450 at a cost of \$37,527.41. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.

- Jamaica Pyrotechnics will provide and display fireworks for the city on July 10, 2021, for the price of \$30,000. A portion of the city's deposit for the 2020 fireworks will be added as additional product for this year's display. Hoey moved to approve the \$30,000 contract with Jamaica Pyrotechnics for the sale and display of the 2021 fireworks on July 10, 2021. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA*, Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.

Other

Rund moved to approve the hire of Liriel Jones as pool lifeguard (when certified) at \$11.50 per hour. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss. Administrator Hoel thanked Treasurer Long and the office staff for doing such a great job hiring employees and preparing pool passes in a short amount of time. Mayor Kleiss added Foreman Cruzan and his crew did a good job getting the pool ready for opening.

The motion to adjourn was made by Slaughter and seconded by Shoemaker. VOTE YEA* Hoey, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Mayor Kleiss.

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