

CITY OF TUSCOLA
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
Tuscola City Hall
January 13, 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. Mayor Kleiss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Kleiss went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the December 23, 2013 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$738,339.39
- Community Building lease request with alcohol from the Douglas County Pheasants Forever Chapter for a dinner on February 22, 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 January 13, 2014. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss wished council a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Kleiss thanked the city crews for the great job they did with snow removal. Kleiss also thanked the Tuscola Fire Department for their response to a recent house fire and stated he was thankful they were able to make it back. Kleiss went on to say a number of citizens have phoned him to say the snow removal in other towns is not up to par with Tuscola's. Hoey added he has worked in Champaign for 18 years and their snow removal does not compare to ours.

City Clerk – Nothing

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported the following TIF delinquencies: Jeannine Garrett; PMG Tuscola; and Bruce and Andrea Robinson. Long added she spoke with Garrett and learned her delinquency will be cleared up this month. The City's TIF bonds were paid off in December, Long reported. Also, the sales tax TIF was completed and no money went back to the State.

City Attorney – Nothing

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel asked council to 'bear with' the construction taking place at City Hall.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Administrator Hoel introduced a new document required for our sewer discharge permit. The document is a management plan, required by the IEPA, addressing sewage system effectiveness, deficiencies, upgrades, and overflows. The document also has a system evaluation plan and reporting requirements. Cleland moved to approve resolution 2014-R-1, a resolution approving and adopting the City of Tuscola capacity, management, operations and maintenance (CMOM) plan dated January 2014. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Requests for TIF Assistance

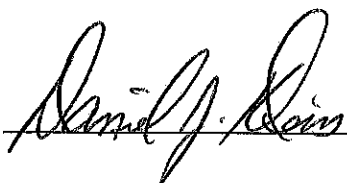
Administrator Hoel discussed the TIF committee's recommendation for Richard Kidwell on the property at 901 East South line Road. Kidwell plans to buy the west (building and parking lot) portion of the old Hardees Building to be used as a donut shop. In the future, Kidwell will add lunch and dinner meals. The TIF committee recommends a TIF grant of \$115,000, and a zero interest loan of \$80,000, for Richard and Donna Kidwell, Daylight Donuts. Shoemaker pointed out the City would have a first mortgage on the property. Seip asked about TIF loans 'sun setting' when TIF expires in 2023. Hoel answered that for quite some time we have been writing loans for less than ten years; right now we are at eight years. Seip asked if it was required by ordinance. Hoel answered there is no ordinance that addresses this; it becomes a practical issue. Seip wonders if we can have another named program (self-funded) after the end of TIF and continue offering loans. Hoel thinks this is a legal question. The City has always treated TIF loan payments as TIF revenue. There is some thought TIF money can be used to fund up; however, we would want to seek legal advice. Shoemaker moved to approve the TIF committee's recommendation of a \$115,000 grant and \$80,000 loan for Richard and Donna Kidwell, Daylight Donuts. Truitt seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Other

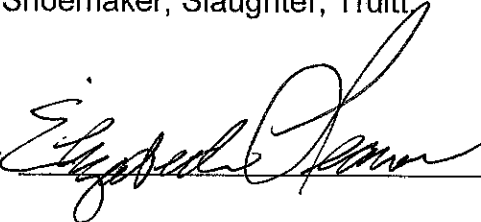
Maxey moved council go into executive session to discuss possible pending litigation and personnel. Henderson seconded. The time was 7:43 PM. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. The meeting was called back to order at 8:14 PM with Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, and Mayor Kleiss present.

Slaughter moved to approve the appointment of Anna Marx as a Marketing Assistant, effective January 20, 2014. Starting salary will be \$12.75 per hour, and an increase to \$13.25 per hour after successful completion of a six month probationary period. Maxey seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

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



Mayor



City Clerk