

CITY OF TUSCOLA  
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
TUSCOLA CITY HALL  
August 9, 2021

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Brace, Day (virtual), Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter (virtual), Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. Alderman Shoemaker was 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 July 26, 2021 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$151,392.32
- Community Building lease request with alcohol TCHS Alumni Reunion September 24, 2021
- Community Building lease request with alcohol from Toni Little for a wedding reception September 17-18, 2021
- Requests from TCHS Class of 2022 for overnight use of Wimple Park August 16, 2021, and permission to set up a portable skating rink in Senior Center parking lot on December 4, 2021

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda for August 9, 2021. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop. Day moved to approve the consent agenda for August 9, 2021, as presented. Rund seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Requested Time on the Agenda - None

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss extended the city's condolences to the family of Bob Vukelich. Bob passed away last week at the age of 79. Bob served on the city council for six years, and was involved in many community activities.

Mayor Kleiss read a proclamation making August 18, 2021, Bob "Doc" and Mary Smith Day in honor of their 75<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported Eddie Boutilier and Red Barn Veterinary Services are delinquent on their TIF loans.

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel reported the city crews discovered and repaired a large water leak last week along route 36. The estimated flow is enough to account for a major portion of our water loss, Hoel added. The actual loss percentage from this leak will be calculated once the August billing is completed. Mayor Kleiss commented on how well the city crew works together; he appreciates their efforts.

Ordinances

1. Mayor Kleiss opened discussion on a professional services agreement with Francis Engineering for services for design and construction of the extension of Progress Boulevard. Kleiss stated the extension of Progress to the north will only go to the edge of the Kirby Foods project (formerly ShopKo). The extension would be useful to Kirby Foods for deliveries. Administrator Hoel added we do not have a final deal with Kirby Foods or the contractor; we have to go this far down the road in order to have some type of design and associated costs. Rund moved to approve the professional services agreement with Francis Engineering for design and construction of the extension of Progress Boulevard. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.
2. Morris moved to waive formal bidding on the Sadorus pump station rehabilitation project. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.
3. In the interest of time, Administrator Hoel would like council to approve the agreement for replacing the three pumps at the Sadorus station at a cost of \$182,649.35. Hoel noted this is more than the original proposal but allows for replacement of all three pumps and will reduce operating, maintenance and future replacement costs. The pump station rehabilitation will be paid from the Tuscola/Arcola joint agency funds on hand. Hoel added not all prices are in yet so the final cost could be slightly higher. By approving the agreement now, the contractor can go ahead and get the pumps ordered. Rund moved to approve the proposal from Engineered Solutions Midwest for the Sadorus pump station rehabilitation at a cost of \$182,649.35, to be paid from the joint water agency funds. Morris seconded. VOTE YEA\* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

The motion to adjourn was made by Waldrop and seconded by Morris. VOTE YEA\*Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Slaughter, Waldrop.

        Daniel J. Kleiss         Mayor              Mary E. Gordon         Deputy City Clerk