

CITY OF TUSCOLA

COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
STATE OF ILLINOIS
TUSCOLA CITY HALL
November 22, 2021

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order with Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop, and Mayor Kleiss in attendance. 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 November 8, 2021 meeting
- Financial reports for October 2021
- Payment of bills totaling \$588,973.36
- Community Building lease with alcohol request from the Nat'l Wild Turkey Federation for January 28, 2021
- Community Building lease with alcohol request from Valenta Garcia for a wedding reception December 10-12, 2021
- Closure of 100 block of West North Central for Class 2022 ice rink December 5, 2021

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Waldrop seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop. Rund moved to approve the consent agenda for November 22, 2021. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Mayor

Mayor Kleiss read a note from the Tuscola Kiwanis Club thanking the city for assistance with the club's Kiwanis Kids day event. The club collected more than \$3500 in donations to be used for programs for Tuscola children.

Tuscola Christmas Town will be held December 1-5.

City Clerk – No Report

City Treasurer – No Report

City Attorney – No Report

City Administrator – No Report

Contracts and Agreements

- Mayor Kleiss reported one of the HVAC units at the library is in need of replacement and All Pro Heating, AC and Plumbing has submitted a proposal for installing the new system. Slaughter moved to approve the proposal from All Pro Heating, AC, and Plumbing LLC, in the amount of \$11,107.50, for installation of a new furnace and air conditioning unit at the library.

Morris seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

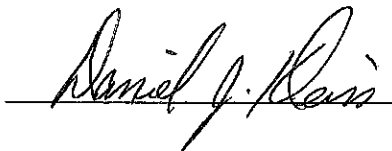
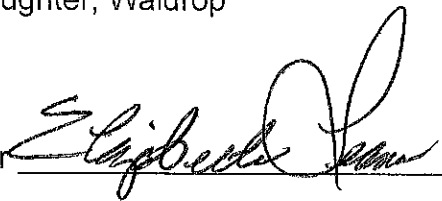
- Treasurer Long spoke to council about the city's health insurance renewal options. Our current carrier, Health Alliance, submitted a quote 18% higher for calendar year 2022. Long looked at other carriers in our area but was unable to find any competitive quotes. Long stated by increasing the deductible on the Health Alliance plan and increasing the health savings contributions we would be able to keep the premiums the same for 2022. Long went on to say the recommended increase in the health savings contribution will increase the city's overall cost by ~6%, which is less than renewing with the same plan we have for 2021. For most of the city employees who do not use insurance over the deductible amount, there would be no additional out of pocket costs and some would see less out of pocket costs. Employees who use health services in excess of the deductible amounts may see increased out of pocket costs of up to \$1500. Long ended by saying she believes this is the best we can do given the environment. Hoey moved to approve the Health Alliance HMO network high deductible health plan with HSA (embedded deductible) with RX plan for the city's 2022 health insurance. Brace seconded. VOTE YEA* Brace, Day, Hoey, Morris, Rund, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Waldrop.

Other

Mayor Kleiss announced the 0% property tax levy ordinance will be prepared and ready for action at the next meeting.

Kleiss wished all a happy and safe Thanksgiving and reminded council to be sure to enjoy the Christmas Town festivities!

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

 _____ Mayor  _____ City Clerk