CITY OF TUSCOLA COUNTY OF DOUGLAS STATE OF ILLINOIS February 25, 2013 Tuscola City Hall

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

Administrator Hoel went over the items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the February 11, 2013 meeting
- Payment of bills totaling \$124,268.95
- A fundraising request for March 16, 2013, from the Sons of American Legion
- A request from the Tuscola Lions Club to conduct a diabetes alert and fundraising event May 24-25, 2013
- A Community Building lease request with alcohol from Pheasants Forever for a dinner on March 23, 2013
- A Community Building lease request with alcohol from Kelly Hilligoss for a wedding reception August 9-10, 2013
- Tuscola Lions Club request to park the hearing test van on the south side of Festival Corner June 8 and July 13, 2013

Hoey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Seip seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. Truitt moved to approve the consent agenda for February 25, 2013. Shoemaker seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt.

Time on the Agenda

Carol Burwash, representing the Tuscola Kiwanis and Tuscola Rotary Clubs, was present to ask council's permission to hold the annual community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23, during the morning hours. The clubs would like to reserve the three northern most ball diamonds for this event. Rain date will be March 30 and the clubs will work with the softball teams playing at the park that day.

Paul Wisovaty and Leo Plaszczynski were present to ask council's permission to conduct the Polish American Legion Poppy Sales, April 19 & 20 at the corners of Main and Sale and Northline and Prairie. Proceeds from these sales go benefit youth in the community and help fund scholarships. Leo Plaszczynski thanked council and the community for being so supportive, especially of our youth. The Polish American Legion has been doing this since 2006; they have two boys serving in Afghanistan, and three men who have finished college. The Polish American Legion is very proud of what they do.

City Clerk - Nothing

City Treasurer

Treasurer Long reported the following TIF delinquencies: PMG Tuscola, LLC; Jeff and Kristin Winans; Kibler Insurance Agency; Bruce and Andrea Robinson.

City Attorney - Nothing

City Administrator

Administrator Hoel asked committee chairmen to set their budget meetings between the two March council meetings.

Treasurer Long went over the tourism annual report with council, stating the biggest change this year was moving the administration of tourism from TEDI back to the City staff. Randy Hastings is the Board President; board members are Phyllis Truitt, Administrator Hoel, Karen Dukeman, Donna Kidwell, Devon Flesor, Vida Murray, and Ashley Swinford.

Other

- 1. Administrator Hoel updated council on the water tower logo/design painting and the possibility of sponsoring a contest to choose a new logo or design. The contractor informed Hoel the design can be changed; it would need to be a simple, geometric shape. Anything else would be too costly. After a brief discussion, council decided to keep the 'T' logo.
- 2. Maxey moved council go into executive session to discuss possible land acquisition, personnel and pending or imminent litigation. Truitt seconded. The time was 7:50 P.M. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. The meeting was called back to order at 9:06 P.M. with Cleland, Henderson, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt, and Mayor Kleiss present.
- 3. Maxey moved to appoint Mark Payne as a Patrolman III for the Tuscola Police Department, effective April 1, 2013. Slaughter seconded. VOTE YEA* Cleland, Hoey, Maxey, Seip, Shoemaker, Slaughter, Truitt. VOTE NAY* Henderson. Motion carried.

Mayor Kleiss clarified the vote on the water/sewer rate increase will be taken at the March 11 meeting.

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