

City of Tekoa
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday – May 6, 2024

- I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:** Mayor Schulz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Councilmembers* in attendance were Mike Hale, Dave Tysz, Margie Jaeger, Pete Martin, Mandi Prince and Lydia Fletcher. Also in attendance was Atty. Eric Hanson.

*In the following paragraphs, Councilmember(s) will be abbreviated as “C.”

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Schulz led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- III. AWC-RMSA TRAINING: ROLES OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL TRAINING:** Attorney Jennifer Roberston conducted virtual training on the roles of the mayor and council.

- IV. AGENDA:** Mayor Schulz added movie company holding agreement and C. Sperber’s resignation to the agenda.

- V. APRIL 22, 2024, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:** The mayor called for a motion. C. Fletcher moved to accept the April 22, 2024, council meeting minutes. C. Hale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- VI. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None.

- VII. CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

- VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. SHIPPING CONTAINERS:** There was discussion. The owner of the containers on the Crosby and Warren St. site brought in a scale model of his proposed building. There was discussion.

- B. TEDDY ROOSEVELT AND NATIONAL FENTANYL AWARENESS DAY PROCLAMATIONS:** Mayor Schulz introduced a proclamation re: Teddy Roosevelt Day. C. Tysz moved to proclaim May 26 Teddy Roosevelt Day. C. Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Schulz read the proposed Fentanyl Awareness Day Proclamation. C. Martin moved to proclaim May 7, 2024, Fentanyl Awareness Day. C. Tysz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. JOEL DOUPÉ: AMERICAN GRAFFITI NIGHT:** Joel Doupé spoke about a proposed American Graffiti car and movie event. He is requesting the city help reroute the traffic. Joel will go over things with the WSDOT and come back to the council for approval.

- B. CONSULTING HOURS APPROVAL FOR DUANE GROOM:** Hiring Duane Groom for consulting purposes was discussed. Atty. Hansen will draw up the contract. C. Martin moved to have Atty. Hanson write up a consulting contract to hire Duane Groom for up to 25 hours through the end of the year. C. Tysz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. WAGES FOR CLEANING THE COMMUNITY CENTER:** The council discussed the demands of cleaning the community center and whether to increase it above minimum wage. The clerk was requested to bring more information before the council moves on this issue.

D. B.J. SPERBERS RESIGNATION: C. Hale moved to accept C. Sperber's resignation from the council. C. Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

E. WOLF GIRL, LLC. HOLDING AREA CONTRACT APPROVAL: Atty. Hanson advised that he go through the agreement before approving it. C. Martin moved to approve the contract contingent on Atty. Hansons appraisal. C. Tysz seconded the motion. C. Fletcher opposed. C. Hale, Prince, Martin, Jaeger and Tysz voted affirmatively. The motion passed.

X. REPORTS:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Schulz reported that the city has quite a few water meters that need to be replaced. He let the council know that with the room in the budget, and summer help for a couple of months, a good amount of the job should get done.

B. STAFF REPORT: Steven Thomas reported that he has a street-sweeping company lined up to get the parade route up Warren St. and down Henkle toward town. The public works will use the street brush to get the rest of the streets. That company also has possible surplus parts that may fit the broken street sweeper. There was discussion.

C. CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: Clerk Treasurer Teague reported on the new state small works roster training she attended and will bring more information to the council in coming meetings.

D. COUNCIL REPORTS: C. Prince asked about the new application council deadline. C. Martin commented on the golf course and .09 grant funding and wanted to know more about whether the council is allowed to know about council appointments in advance. Mayor Schulz said that there are no promises from the Port or Whitman re: the golf course, but they are interested in it.

XI. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT: C. Hale moved to adjourn the meeting and C. Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and Mayor Schulz adjourned the meeting at 8:02 P.M.

APPROVED:

Roy Schulz - Mayor

ATTEST:

Eliza M. Evans-Teague– Clerk/Treasurer