

City of Tekoa
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday – July 28, 6 P.M.
Tekoa City Hall

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Schulz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:** Mayor Schulz led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. ROLL CALL:**
- MAYOR SCHULZ:** Present.
CM DAN THOMAS: Present.
CM MARGIE JAEGER: Present.
CM PETE MARTIN: Present.
CM MIKE HALE: Present.
CM SHELLY AUSMUS: Present.
CM DAVE TYSZ: Present.
CM CHERI CURRIER: Present.
- IV. HIRING OF NEGOTIATOR FOR UNION CONTRACT:** CM Martin introduced two candidates for consideration; Tony Menke and Steven Schuback. CM Ausmus spoke re: Heidi Greenwood, who recommended the city hire a professional negotiator. There was discussion. Cheri Currier arrived at 6:07 P.M. There was additional discussion. Estimates for Tony Menke were \$10,000 and Steven Schuback and Heidi Greenwood were more. CM Martin recommended hiring Tony Menke from Yakima for his lower rate and experience with the union the city is working with. CM Ausmus moved to hire Tony Menke, CM Currier seconded the motion. There was extended discussion. CM Martin, Currer Tysz, Ausmus and Jaeger votes yes. CM Thomas voted no. CM Hale abstained. CM Ausmus moved to approve a \$10,000 budget for a negotiating attorney. CM Tysz seconded the motion. CM Ausmus, Jaeger, Currier, Martin and Tysz voted yes. CM Thomas and Hale voted no.
- V. SCHEDULE TOWN HALL MEETING:** CM Ausmus spoke about a town hall meeting; possibly August 11, 2025. CM Ausmus also spoke about the sewer system and people wanting to learn more about that. The mayor suggested the council meet with their negotiator/attorney for guidance and the when and how of a town hall meeting. The town hall meeting discussion was tabled.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT:** CM Martin to adjourn the meeting. CM Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Schulz adjourned the meeting at 6:37 P.M.

APPROVED:

Roy Schulz - Mayor

ATTEST:

Eliza Evans-Teague- Clerk/Treasurer