

City of Tekoa
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For August 27, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor John Jaeger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present at the meeting were Jaeger, John Giudice, Roy Schulz, Wendy Sienknecht, Carol Sturman, and Dave Tysz. Clerk/Treasurer Kynda Browning and Eric Hanson, City Attorney, were also in attendance. Audience attendees were Keith Andersson, Vicki Chatterton, Fletcher Family, Debbie Hall, Diane Harp and Fran Martin.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Jaeger asked those present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION:

Diane Harp talked about Healthy Tekoa Coalition and gave the council a schedule of activities for 2018-2019. They do a community survey on a yearly basis. She has a request that the city make a proclamation that September is National Recovery month in Tekoa. Roy Schulz made a motion to proclaim September as National Recovery month in Tekoa. Carol Sturman seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

Debbie Hall was in attendance for Neighborhood Watch.

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Hana Fletcher said at the bottom of north Broadway where it meets highway 274, there is a large pothole, and they need to fix it. Browning will let them know.

Keith Andersson asked if he can be in attendance during the executive session. Mayor Jaeger said it is for the attorney and council, but when they come out of executive session, they may tell them the outcome.

Fran Martin said she is here as a representative of the Park and Recreation District No. 6. She presented a fact sheet showing all the properties for the park and rec and talked about the quit claim deeds that need to be done by the city.

Wendy Sienknecht read a statement about the city's responsibility for the theatre. She said we are paying the liability insurance for the theatre, and she would like the city to review it and straighten it out. There was discussion.

V. CORRESPONDENCE: There was none.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. DIANE GALLER PROPERTY: Mayor Jaeger said we are in communication about what to do with the property. He asked John Giudice to find out if there is a lien on the

property that is closest to the well house. John Giudice said she had an interested buyer, but she didn't sell to them. We would have to do a litigation guarantee on the property. John Giudice will look into it.

B. KEITH ANDERSSON BUILDING (Executive session at end of meeting): This was done at the end of the meeting. The meeting was adjourned to executive session at 8:10 p.m. for up to 45 minutes. The meeting was reconvened at 8:55 p.m. Carol Sturman moved to have Eric Hanson, City Attorney, obtain a court order to authorize the City of Tekoa to demolish the Andersson building located at 138 S. Crosby street, if the appeals committee order is not complied with by the date. Roy Schulz seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

C. OIL ROADS: Mayor Jaeger asked if people had their roads oiled. Wendy Sienknecht made a list of roads that weren't done. There was discussion about the cemetery road.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. PIGEONS: Dave Tysz reported there are several that are gone. He said the roof needs to be fixed so they don't go into the old bowling alley.

B. COHN TRUST: Mayor Jaeger said it is now in the committee's hands, and they asked the city to put together a wish list or a budget. They would like to see a budget for future improvements. Mayor Jaeger said he needs to appoint someone, and Roy Schulz will be on the committee, and Kynda Browning will be the alternate for him. John Giudice made a motion to appoint Roy Schulz for the Cohn Trust Committee to represent the city, and for Kynda Browning to be the alternate. Dave Tysz seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

C. FORK LIFT PURCHASE: Mayor Jaeger told the council we purchased a fork lift for \$4,100.00

D. OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING -PRELIMINAY BUDGET HEARING: The meeting will be October 22, 2018, instead of October 15, 2018.

VIII. REPORTS:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Jaeger said they met with the park committee about the trestle. A flag can be up for one month and Christmas lights up for one month. It is not called the John Wayne Trail; it is now called the Palouse to the Cascades Trail.

B. CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: Browning didn't have a report.

C. COUNCIL REPORTS: Wendy Sienknecht asked about fixing the library wall. Mayor Jaeger said we will have to get a bid on it and see what it looks like.

D. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: Keith Andersson started to make a derogatory comment toward the mayor and Mayor Jaeger immediately closed the meeting.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. MEETING MINUTES: The July 16, 2018, council meeting minutes were presented to the council. Roy Schulz made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. John Giudice seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

B. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT: Roy Schulz made a motion to approve payroll checks 13567 through 13581 and 13596 and 13597 and EFT payroll checks totaling \$27,408.74 and check numbers 13582 through 13595 and 13598 through 13615 and voided check number 13600 and EFT checks for \$53,039.57 as presented. John Giudice seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

X. ADJOURNMENT: Roy Schulz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57p.m. John Giudice seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

APPROVED:

John Jaeger – Mayor

ATTEST:

Kynda Browning – Clerk/Treasurer