

City of Tekoa

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

For March 18, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro-tempore David Tysz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present at the meeting were Tysz, Bethany Fletcher, John Giudice, Alyssa Heagy, Roy Schulz and Wendy Sienknecht. Clerk/Treasurer Kynda Browning was also in attendance. Audience attendees were Susie Creger, the Fletcher Family, DeeDee Lee and Matt Morkert.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Pro-tempore Tysz asked those present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION:

Matt Morkert was in attendance to talk about the RCAC loan. He told the council if they want to apply for the entire water and sewer line project, there is no obligation to accept the loans. There was discussion. The council said they decided to apply just for the sewer portion on Crosby, between Park and Main. John Giudice made a motion to approve Resolution No. 19-03 for an infrastructure feasibility loan from RCAC, for the sewer line replacement on Crosby, between Park and Main. Wendy Sienknecht seconded the motion; all council members voted yes, except Alyssa Heagy voted no.

Matt Morkert showed the council a map of the proposed Crosby/Park Road reconstruction project. He said if we approve the project plans at the April 15, 2019, council meeting, we would put the project out to bid that week and open bids by the first part of May.

CDBG – Tekoa’s income survey was at 49.6 percent, so we can’t qualify for CDBG grants. We applied to Department of Ecology to give us a grant to pay for RCAC to do an income survey for the city.

Dave Tysz talked about the water leak near the well house on Washington. DW Excavating was hired as an emergency contractor to repair the leak.

Debbie Hall was in attendance and reported on the Neighborhood Watch.

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: There were none.

V. CORRESPONDENCE: There was none.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. BRETZ BUILDING: Kevin Turnbough contacted someone to inspect the Bretz building for asbestos, but nothing has been scheduled yet.

B. COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL: Wendy Sienknecht reported the committee had a meeting on March 5th. They will be visiting the community center at 7:00 p.m. on April 1, 2019. Alyssa Heagy said that she contacted Eric Hanson about compensation for the community center. There was discussion.

C. AIRPORT FUEL STATION: John Giudice said he was not able to connect with the person at the company to use a tablet to charge fuel. He will try to get more information.

D. COUNCIL CHAMBERS FLOORING: John Giudice said the flooring order for the council chambers was authorized and ordered before bids were presented at the council meeting, so there is flooring sitting in Spokane. Kevin Turnbough talked to the sales person and was told it will cost \$1,750.00 to restock the flooring that was ordered. If we don't do the commodities room or the sheriff's office, the restocking fee would be \$511.00. The other option is if we bought just the material for the council chambers, the guys could put it in when they have time. The cost for the materials would be \$6,600.00. There was discussion. Roy Schulz made a motion to just put flooring in the council chambers with the company doing the installation, and return the product for the commodities room and sheriff's office for \$511.00. Alyssa Heagy seconded the motion. Alyssa Heagy, Roy Schulz, and Dave Tysz voted yes. Wendy Sienknecht, John Giudice and Bethany Fletcher voted no. Dave Tysz asked Browning to check if there is a time limit for restocking.

E. 2019 .09 GRANT APPLICATION: John Giudice made a motion to apply for an extension on the .09 grant for the community center. Alyssa Heagy seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

F. AWC LOSS CONTROL GRANT: We will get more information and discuss it at the next meeting. They are considering putting in sidewalk at the end of town on Highway 274 or replacing the sidewalk by the Avista building.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. FENCE INSTALLED BY RAILROAD: There was discussion about a fence being by the railroad on their property near the creek. It was decided that we will postpone this until the April 15 meeting. Browning will find out if they have to do the shoreline substantial development application, because it is over \$7,100.00.

B. WATER LEAK NEAR WELL HOUSE: This was discussed earlier with Matt Morkert.

C. SEWER RATES: We will discuss possibly raising sewer rates at the next meeting.

Browning presented Ordinance No. 850 amending the 2019 budget. It moves the City Assistance money to the general fund and the motor vehicle excise tax money to the street budget. Roy Schulz made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 850 as presented. John Giudice seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

VIII. REPORTS:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor Pro-tempore did not have a report.

B. CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: The clerk/treasurer did not have a report.

C. COUNCIL REPORTS: There were none.

D. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: There were none.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. March 4, 2019, MEETING MINUTES: Roy Schulz made a motion to approve the March 4, 2019, minutes as presented. Alyssa Heagy seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

B. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT: Roy Schulz made a motion to pay EFT payroll warrants in the amount of \$5,740.99; warrant number 13975 through 13994 and EFT warrants in the amount of \$51,419.23 as presented. Alyssa Heagy seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

X. ADJOURNMENT: Roy Schulz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Alyssa Heagy seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

APPROVED:

David Tysz – Mayor Pro-tempore

ATTEST:

Kynda Browning – Clerk/Treasurer