

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SHELL LAKE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Burns, Edlin, Shelton, Schultz and Leckel. Absent were Andrews and Harrington. Also present were Larry Fletcher, Mitch Brown, Dave Wilson, Harold Emanuel, Clint Stariha, Danielle Moe, Jerry Curtis, Bill Holmson, Doug Johnson, Keith Dahlstrom, Teresa Anderson, Jan Ogden, Rollie Erickson, Rev. Susan Odegard and Andy Eiche. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Burns moved, seconded by Shelton, to approve the August 11, 2014 regular meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Public Comment: Harold Emanuel asked if the City has an ordinance on lawn maintenance and if the City was enforcing it. Chief Wilson responded to the comment by answering yes, the City does have an ordinance, and yes, his office does enforce complaints when they are received by his office.

The Mayor requested to bring forward the Fire Association agenda item, requesting approval of Resolution 14-08 pertaining to the length of service program for the Shell Lake Fire Association. Shelton moved, seconded by Edlin, to approve Resolution 14-08. Motion carried.

Mitch Brown gave the Public Works Director report. Shelton commended Brown for the work the Public Works Department did at the Pavilion buffer area.

David Wilson gave the Police Chief report. Wilson also gave a special thanks to the North Memorial Ambulance for their donation of two difibulators to the Shell Lake Police Department.

Clint Stariha gave the Zoning Administrator report. Edlin moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve the building request made by WE Energies. Motion carried.

Minutes from the Library board were reviewed.

Unofficial minutes from the Lake Protection committee were reviewed.

Executive/HR Committee: Mayor Peterson reported on the solicitation for a Campground/Parks Manager position. No applications were received by City Hall. Peterson referred the matter back to the Executive/HR committee.

PUBLIC WORK'S: Schultz presented the minutes. Eiche informed the Council a Physical Needs Assessment would cost approximately \$12,000.00. Schultz moved, seconded by Edlin, to direct the City Administrator to place a Physical Needs Assessment out for bid. The motion carried.

The City Council was presented with a draft Revised Time Extension Request from JPS for the 2013/2014 Street Project (Project # 00536014). In the request the City would agree to modify the final completion date to October 3, 2014. The City would also ask that JPS investigate the potential for not installing the wear course of the pavement on 8th Avenue, 2nd Street, 4th Street and 5th Street until the spring of 2015. The agreement

would go on to clarify the City would not be pursuing liquidated damages at the current time, however, the City does not intend to modify the substantial completion date from the currently contracted August 22, 2014, as the City wishes to reserve the right to assess \$1,000.00 per day in liquidated damages beginning on August 23, 2014. The City may need to pursue liquidated damages in the future, should JPS fail to make promised progress on the project, or if additional expenses are incurred by the City because of late completion. Furthermore, the extension request should also recognize additional expenses incurred by the City for construction observation, as JPS has spent more days working at the site than were scheduled. Doug Johnson, representative for JPS, concurred with the draft requests, and added that temporary drainage would be set in place along 8th Avenue, at JPS's expense, to assist with the request to place the wear course in the spring of 2015. Schultz moved, seconded by Edlin, to approve the draft request. Motion carried.

Schultz moved, seconded by Leckel, to approve \$9,703.30 requested by JPS for additional 2013/2014 street project work. Motion carried.

Schultz moved, seconded by Leckel, to approve \$19,439.21 requested by JPS for additional 2013/2014 street project work. Motion carried.

Schultz explained the Public Works committee request to discontinue fluoridation of Shell Lake city water along with Mitch Brown's presentation regarding his cost analysis for required upgrades to the fluoride distribution system. The committee had discussed issues relating to the current guidelines for adding fluoride to our water supply (.7 parts per million) and the reality that our water supply already provides a certain percentage of that fluoride naturally (.12 - .13 parts per million). That, combined with information regarding consumer products which already have fluoride in them, resulted in questioning if the additional costs and concerns over safety issues in the handling of fluoride justify the continued fluoridation of our water supply. Leckel moved, seconded by Shelton, to discontinue fluoridation of Shell Lake city water. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Schultz moved, seconded by Shelton, to approve the Republic Services (Allied Waste) garbage rate increase request (as per contract) as well as a 1% increase for administrative costs, effective July 1, 2014. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION: Leckel presented the minutes and informed the Council the committee is considering a third full-time police office.

FINANCE: Edlin moved, seconded by Burns, to approve vouchers 1029 - 1199. Motion carried. Shelton moved, seconded by Edlin, to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's Licenses for the Chamber of Commerce for use on October 4, 2014. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried. Budget Status Report was presented.

PARKS & REC: Minutes were reviewed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Vacant Ward 1 Seat.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Mayor Report: Peterson requested the City Council consider marketing the concession stands at the Pavilion.

Burns moved, seconded by Shelton, to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. The motion carried.

_____, Mayor

_____, City Administrator