

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SHELL LAKE
November 13, 2017**

Mayor Sally Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council members present were Smith, Edlin, Andrews, Leckel, Schultz and Anderson. Absent were McCumber and Harrington. Also present were Mitch Brown, Danielle Danford, Bill Jenderny, Becky Gorst and Andrew Eiche.

Mayor Peterson directed the City Administrator to do a study determining the attendance record of the governing body since the Reorganizational meeting in April 2017. The request was based off of concern expressed by Bill Jenderny regarding the frequent absence of certain members.

Anderson moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting held on October 9, 2017. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Per the Mayor's request, the presentation by Becky Gorst, Spectrum Insurance was moved up in the agenda.

Becky Gorst introduced herself and gave an overview of the Security Health Traditional plan versus the Security Health Reliance plan. Schultz asked Gorst to be specific when talking about the differences to the plans relating to features and Participating Providers. Smith asked if Gorst, the Spectrum Broker, received higher compensation for either plan. Gorst responded no. Smith asked if the Reliance plan would have any negative impact to emergency care. Gorst responded no. Leckel asked if there were any negative impacts to Chiropractic care. Gorst responded that Chiropractic care would still be provided.

Schultz moved, seconded by Andrews, to select the Reliance plan with Security Health, to be effective on December 1, 2017. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Mitch Brown presented the Public Works Director Report.

Peterson presented the Police Chief Report.

Peterson presented the Zoning Administrator Report. Smith added, "Common sense prevailed in both meetings."

Peterson presented the Library Board minutes.

EXECUTIVE/HR COMMITTEE: No meeting

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION: Peterson presented the minutes.

PUBLIC WORKS: Schultz presented the minutes. Schultz explained the sewer extension request. Schultz moved, seconded by Edlin, to approve a sewer extension to the intersection of Lind and County Hwy B. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Schultz explained the request for interim financing in 2018/2019. Following are the projected uses:

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| 2013 Street Project Fund | \$ 62,378 |
| Park Improvement Fund | \$ 42,417 |
| Skid Steer | \$ 60,000 |

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| Tractor/Flail Mower | \$ 120,000 |
| Bucket Truck | \$ 60,000 |
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| | \$ 344,795.00 |

Schultz moved, seconded by Anderson, to approve 2018 interim financing to include the financing of two negative fund balances tied to the 2013 campground project and the 2013 Street Project, and the purchase of a skid steer (with attachments), flail mower/tractor and a used bucket truck for a total of \$344,7954.00. Eiche explained how the interim financing is also used for engineering expenses tied to the 2019 Street Projects, and how they should have a credit limit that is higher to accommodate this expense in 2018. Schultz and Anderson amended their motion to reflect a credit limit on the interim financing of \$500,000.00. Roll call vote was taken: Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Edlin – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Leckel – Yes, Anderson – Yes. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Schultz informed the Council of Public Works committee’s decision to have Schultz and Harrington be allowed to work in concert with the Public Works Director, City Administrator and Engineer in making minor decisions relating to the ATV Campground to avoid unnecessary delays in the projects construction. Peterson asked what was meant by “minor decisions.” Schultz responded with a couple of examples, “Decisions to remove trees not on the plans to be removed, or the decision to remove the dump station from the original plans.” Brown voiced concern over what his roll is if not to take care of minor decisions. Schultz explained how this was not to overtake his roll, but to be assured the project would not be delayed due to waiting for meetings to make small decisions. Brown requested to be involved in all of the decisions. Schultz said he would. Edlin stated, “There are always minor changes on any project. I’m not sure why the director doesn’t make these decisions.” Smith asked the Council if perhaps they were over-thinking this matter. Discussion concluded.

PARKS & REC COMMITTEE: No meeting.

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION: Minutes and Budget Status Report were presented by Edlin.

Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve a Class “B” Retail license to Theatre in the Woods for their December 1st/2nd, 2017 event. Motion carried.

Edlin moved, seconded by Smith, to approve the purchase of 16 City Hall chairs, a Deputy Clerk Workstation and Two Computers/Screens utilizing 2017 budget money. Roll call vote was taken: Anderson – Yes, Leckel – No, Schultz – Yes, Edlin – Yes, Andrews – No, Smith – Yes. Motion failed for not attaining 75% of 8-member Council majority. Anderson moved, Schultz seconded, to approve the purchase of 10 City Hall chairs, a Deputy Clerk Workstation and Two Computers/Screens utilizing 2017 budget money. Discussion took place. Schultz argued how the decision to not replace guest chairs in City Hall looks unprofessional. He went on to explain how the current chairs are unsafe and inappropriate. Anderson moved, seconded by Schultz, to amend their motion to include 4 guest chairs for City Hall. Roll call vote was taken: Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Edlin – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Leckel – Yes, Anderson – Yes. Amendment carried. Roll call vote on the newly amended motion was taken: Anderson – Yes, Leckel – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Edlin – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Smith – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Edlin moved, seconded by Smith, to approve vouchers 1341-1492. Motion carried.

Leckel thanked Eiche for the very thorough job he did with the Finance Budget meeting minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Andrews moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve the hiring of James Toth (Grota Appraisal) as the City of Shell Lake Appraiser. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Peterson asked Eiche to give an update on Gordy's, Bosch, and the County's recent decision to investigate the move of their Health and Human Services Departments to Spooner. Last City Hall had heard, Gordy's would be under new ownership by the end of the month. As for Bosch, the City has been informed of their intent to close down operations in Shell Lake by June 30, 2018. Eiche updated the Council on the City's recent activity to provide the County Board Supervisors with an alternative to their current plan by considering their current location in Shell Lake. The City will be considering the development of an Ad Hoc committee to spear head the effort to keep the Health and Human Services Department in Shell Lake.

Schultz moved, seconded by Andrews, to adjourn at 8:40 pm. The motion carried.

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