

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SHELL LAKE
October 10, 2022**

Mayor Sally Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Stephen Smith, Mike Andrews, Rowie Hansberger, Deb Nebel and Rob Anderson. Dan Harrington, Ken Schultz and Brian Carlson were absent. Andy Eiche, Regan Kohler, Mitch Brown, David Wilson, Leo Dunlavy, Jill Dunlavy, Carlo Thompson, Barbara Coulter and Bryan Rydberg were also present.

Anderson moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve the council minutes from September 12, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Barbara Coulter informed the council of an upcoming Washburn County Executive committee meeting this Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., in which a topic of discussion would be a potential moratorium on future building of campgrounds in Washburn County. Barbara noted concern over the amount of pressure it would place on local taxpayers considering the increased demand on various aspects like public safety.

Brown presented the Public Works Director Report. Brown informed the council that he had received an invoice for the organization handling the first step of the walleye restoration in Eau Claire. Upon completing the blasting of the fish, it was discovered that the damage was more extensive than anticipated. Further work was done by the organization in Eau Claire, which resulted in cost savings if it had been done by the company contracted in Minocqua to complete the project. Council agreed.

Wilson presented the Police Chief report. Wilson explained how Don Johnson Motors pulled their bid on the 2023 Ford Interceptor, as they were informed by Ford that they discontinued any further production of the 2023 Ford Interceptor and thus there would be no 2023's available. Wilson informed the council he would be bidding out for a 2023 Dodge Durango in the Ford's place. Mayor Peterson asked if this was something that should be brought back to the General Administration committee. Anderson felt this would not be necessary. Smith voiced concern that time was of the essence. By consensus, the council directed Wilson to move forward with bid request for the Dodge Durango.

Wilson informed the council that he had arranged for contractor Brian Melton to begin work on the police station on Wednesday, October 12th to begin the 5-step process Public Works had recommend last week to city council. Eiche informed Wilson that was not authorized, as both contractors placing quotes had not yet done so, and thus, the decision to begin contractor work would be premature, as the council has not even decided which contractor would be hired. Debate took place on the matter, and it was agreed that work could not begin on Wednesday.

Wilson asked permission to leave the meeting. Mayor Peterson said no, and asked that Wilson remain present until the conclusion of the meeting.

Eiche presented the Zoning Administrator's Report.

Mayor Peterson presented the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes.

Mayor Peterson presented the library minutes from August and September. Andrews informed the council that the library director candidate backed out, and so the search for a new director continues.

Mayor Peterson presented the minutes for the September Lake Protection Board of Commissioner's meeting. Hansberger informed the council of an upcoming Lake Protection Advisory committee meeting on October 20th at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Peterson presented the Fire Association minutes.

Mayor's Report: None.

Executive/HR Committee: Mayor Peterson presented the minutes.

General Administration: Anderson presented the minutes.

Public Works Administration: Eiche presented the minutes. Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve a 5-step process presented by Public Works with the understanding that the concrete invoice will be no more than \$12,000.00. Roll call vote was taken; Anderson – Yes, Nebel – Yes, Hansberger – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Smith – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith moved, seconded by Hansberger, to move forward with the purchased of three fire doors for the police station. Roll call vote was taken; Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Hansberger – Yes, Nebel – Yes, Anderson – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Parks and Recreation: Nebel presented the minutes.

Financial Administration: Smith presented the minutes. Smith moved, seconded by Hansberger, to approve vouchers 1162-1303. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve a Temporary Class “B” Retailers License – Shell Lake Chamber of Commerce, November 18, 2022 – Shell Lake Chamber Wine Walk. Motion carried.

Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve a Temporary Class “B” Retailers License – Shell Lake Arts Center, October 22, 2022 – Layne Yost Concert. Motion carried.

Smith moved, seconded by Nebel, to approve a Temporary Class “B” Retailers License – Shell Lake Arts Center, November 12, 2022 – Super Mario Schubert Concert. Motion carried.

Budget status report was reviewed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Mayor Peterson introduced Bryan Rydberg as a new member of the Shell Lake Plan Commission.

Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Andrew Eiche, City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer