

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SHELL LAKE
January 9, 2023**

Mayor Sally Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Stephen Smith, Mike Andrews, Brian Carlson, Dan Harrington, Ken Schultz and Deb Nebel. Rowie Hansberger and Rob Anderson were absent. Andy Eiche, Regan Kohler, Mitch Brown, David Wilson, Bryan Rydberg, Dan Rayman, Mike Mayne, Patricia Mayne, Brad Pederson, Mary Dunbar and Jon Haley were also present.

Smith moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve the council minutes from December 12, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Brad Pederson and Andy Eiche presented Mary Dunbar with an award of excellence for 25 years of service as the City of Shell Lake Chief Election Inspector. The award came from Governor Evers. Pederson and Eiche both thanked Dunbar for all of her excellent years of service to her community.

Jon Haley voiced his opposition to the Hangar 97 proposal. He requested the community be informed of any further meetings relating to the matter.

Mike Mayne voiced opposition to the Hangar 97 proposal.

Patricia Mayne voiced opposition to the Hangar 97 proposal, and distributed a petition and letter they would be sending out to approximately 200 Shell Lake residents.

Brown presented the Public Works Director Report. Mayor Peterson thanked the public works crew for the great job they did during our recent snow emergencies.

Wilson presented the Police Chief report. Mayor Peterson thanked the police department for all their work during the snow emergencies. Harrington asked about fentanyl issues in society. Wilson concurred that it is a significant problem.

Eiche presented the Zoning Administrator's Report.

Mayor Peterson presented the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes.

Mayor Peterson presented the Lake Protection Board of Commissioners minutes.

Mayor Peterson presented the Shell Lake Area Fire Association minutes. She went on to give special thanks to Chief Keith Dahlstrom for the integral role he played setting up a warming shelter at the Community Center during the city's recent power outage. Eiche read a thank you note from Carol Buck with Washburn County.

Mayor Peterson presented the Airport Management Committee minutes.

Mayor's Report:

Executive/HR Committee: No meeting.

General Administration: No meeting.

Public Works Administration: Schultz presented the minutes.

Parks and Recreation: Nebel presented the minutes.

Financial Administration: Smith presented the minutes. Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve vouchers 1614-1749. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith moved, seconded by Carlson, to approve a Temporary Class "B" Retailers License – Shell Lake Arts Center, January 21, 2023 – Bare Bones in Concert. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget status report was reviewed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Carlson moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve a Class "B" Liquor/Beer/Wine license for the Lakeview Bar & Grill. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Eiche presented the Memorandum of Understanding between Washburn County and the City of Shell Lake regarding the purchase and placement of fire signs in Shell Lake. Schultz moved, seconded by Carlson to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Eiche requested the council vote by consensus to allow the Administrator to continue the services of Vincent Escamilla as a Limited Term employee at his current rate of pay. By consensus, the council agreed.

Eiche requested to post for a full-time police officer to replace the vacated spot held by Vincent Escamilla. Schultz moved, seconded by Carlson, to have the City Administrator begin the posting for a full-time police officer position. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Schultz moved, seconded by Andrews, to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Andrew Eiche, City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer