

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SHELL LAKE
February 13, 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, Rob Anderson and Deb Nebel. Rowie Hansberger was absent. Andy Eiche, Regan Kohler, Mitch Brown, David Wilson, Bryan Rydberg, Dan Rayman, Mike Mayne, Gerry Winch, Bonnie Winch, Mike Van Gilder, Leo Dunlavy, Cody Pearson and Jon Haley were also present.

Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve the council minutes from January 9, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Jon Haley informed the council that they have received 260 responses to their petition relating to the Hangar 97 proposal.

Cody Pearson informed the council the Shell Lake School District is reforming a school forest committee.

Brown presented the Public Works Director Report.

Wilson presented the Police Chief report. Discussion took place regarding Chief Wilson's recent Chief's meeting in Wisconsin Dells, and the valuable information he was able to glean from presenters in relation to various critical topics occurring around our nation.

Library Director Dawn Dunsmoor introduced herself as the new Library Director. She informed the council of her efforts to increase activities at the library centering around senior activities and other various outreach programs.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Peterson passed out a recently received agreement proposal from Hangar 97. Peterson went on to mention she will be holding a Plan Commission meeting in May to further discuss the 3 lots being proposed for sale on County Hwy B.

Executive/HR Committee: Mayor Peterson presented the minutes. Andrews moved, seconded by Carlson to approve the hiring of Mikayla Greisen as recommended by the Executive/HR committee. Schultz moved, seconded by Smith, to amend the motion to read "To approve the hiring of Mikayla Greisen as a full-time police officer, subject to successful completion of a medical screening, drug test, and background check, earning a starting wage of \$24.95 per hour." Roll call vote on the amendment was taken; Anderson – Yes, Nebel – Yes, Harrington – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Smith – Yes, Carlson – Yes. Amendment carried unanimously. Roll call vote was taken on the original motion as amended; Carlson – Yes, Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Harrington – Yes, Nebel – Yes, Anderson – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

General Administration: No meeting.

Public Works Administration: Schultz presented the minutes. Schultz moved, seconded by Smith, to hire SEH for design and funding services relating to the Doboy Lift Station project. Roll call vote was taken; Carlson – Yes, Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Harrington – Yes, Nebel – Yes, Anderson – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Parks and Recreation: Nebel presented the minutes. Nebel moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve the quotes for tennis court crack-fill and seal coat, as well as painting of additional pickleball court lines. Discussion took place on the need to affirm the pricing and consider getting another quote from Tennis West as they were the firm that performed the rehabilitation of the courts. Nebel and Andrews withdrew their motion.

Nebel moved, seconded by Smith, to accept the quote received from Karen Olson, Carpentry & Restoration, in the amount of \$16,622.00, which includes an additional \$1,000.00 for power washing of the Shelter House interior, with the funding coming from unassigned balance. Mayor Peterson asked about the background of Karen Olson. Harrington explained how she had done his deck, and Nebel briefed on her background working on log cabins in Alaska and Long Lake. Anderson called the question, seconded by Andrews. The call to question carried unanimously. Role call vote on the motion was taken; Anderson – Yes, Nebel – Yes, Harrington – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Smith – Yes, Carlson – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Nebel moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve the design and construction of a new base for the City Walleye as described by Mitch Brown for an up to amount of \$3,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Administration: Smith presented the minutes. Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve vouchers 1-138. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget status report was reviewed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Smith moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve a water rate increase of 4.50% beginning April 3, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Schultz moved, seconded by Anderson, to approve Resolution #1-2023 – Increase sewer rates by 4.50% beginning April 3, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Carlson moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve a garbage rate increase of 4.50% beginning April 3, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith moved, seconded by Carlson, to approve the North Memorial Ambulance Service Contract Amendment. Discussion took place regarding the contract amendment and concerns relating to the level of service. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Andrew Eiche, City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer