REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF SHELL LAKE October 13, 2025

Mayor Rowie Hansberger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Stephen Smith, Mike Andrews, Terry Severson, Dan Harrington, Ken Schultz, Rob Anderson and Tom Rasmussen. Andy Eiche, Mitch Brown, Mike Jaszczak, Reagan Kohler, Dakota Robinson, Jocelyn Ford, George Cusick, Kent Wabrowetz and Bob Hapy were also present.

Severson moved, seconded by Rasmussen, to approve the council minutes from September 8, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

Brown presented the Public Works Director report.

Jaszczak presented the Police Chief report.

Hansberger presented the Zoning Administrator report.

Hansberger presented the minutes from the Ad Hoc committee (Sculpture donation).

Hansberger presented the minutes from the Plan Commission. Schultz moved, seconded by Severson, to allow the Shell Lake Arts Center to accept the Paddleboard sculpture directly from the donor. Roll call vote was taken; Severson – Yes, Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Harrington – Yes, Rasmussen – Yes, Anderson – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Hansberger presented the Library Board minutes.

Hansberger presented the Shell Lake Area Fire Association minutes.

Brandon Wilger from Two Rivers Accounting presented the Financial Statements for 2024. He noted that Shell Lake received an unmodified opinion, which is the highest opinion a municipality can receive.

Eiche presented final loan terms for Shell Lakes General Obligation Debt. Smith moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve acceptance of the offered terms by Shell Lake State Bank. Roll call vote was taken; Severson – Yes, Smith – Yes, Andrews – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Harrington – Yes, Rasmussen – Yes, Anderson – Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report: Eiche announced a court hearing scheduled on October 15th regarding the potential sale of three lots owned by the city. Mayor Hansberger informed the council that there may be a second annual Winter Fest in Tiptown Park. More information to come.

Mayor Hansberger read a proclamation titled - "Pedestrian Safety Proclamation."

Eiche followed up on two Roberts Rules concerns over the past two months. First, when a member of a governing body is not present for a meeting, the absent member is not considered a yes or no vote. Second, the last two times that a motion was declared privileged by a member of the council, the motions did not meet the definition of a privileged motion. Eiche explained the limited scenarios where a privileged motion can be exercised.

Executive/HR Committee: Hansberger presented the minutes.

General Administration: Mike Andrews presented the minutes. Andrews moved, seconded by Anderson, to amend Section 5-2-3(b)(3) – Fire Inspection Duties of the Shell Lake City Ordinance. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Schultz moved, seconded by Harrington, to approve parking signage in one space immediately in front of Silver Shears, to state "2-Hour Parking – From 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Seven Days Per Week." Discussion ensued. Upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Public Works Administration: Schultz presented the minutes.

Parks and Recreation: Severson presented the minutes.

Financial Administration: Smith presented the minutes. Smith moved, seconded by Severson, to approve vouchers 1141-1283. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith presented the budget status report.

New Business

Schultz moved, seconded by Andrews, to approve the 2026 Mobile Home Park Licenses for Boland's and Dougard's. Motion carried unanimously.

Hansberger presented a request by the Washburn County Area Humane Society for donations. Discussion ensued. The request will be considered at the Finance budget meeting.

Harrington moved, seconded by Andrews, to adjourn at 8:38 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Andrew Eiche, City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer