

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SHELL LAKE
January 12, 2026**

Mayor Rowie Hansberger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Stephen Smith, Mike Andrews, Terry Severson, Steve Byrd, Dan Harrington, Ken Schultz, Rob Anderson and Tom Rasmussen. Andy Eiche, Mitch Brown, Mike Jaszcak, Regan Kohler, Doug Ellanson, John Simpson and Bob Hapy were also present.

Mayor Hansberger wished everyone a Happy New Year, and wished Rob Anderson a Happy Birthday.

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

Public Comment: Doug Ellanson voiced concern regarding the number of parking spaces on Main Street designated for handicap parking, and expressed his desire to see more.

Brown presented the Public Works Director report. Byrd asked about the light that was erected at the skating rink in Tiptown, and asked if there was any way to direct the light. Brown will look into the matter. Harrington asked if the access to Round Lake could be plowed. Brown replied he can.

Jaszcak presented the Chief of Police Report.

Hansberger presented the Zoning Administrator report.

Hansberger presented the Library Board minutes.

Hansberger presented the Lake Protection minutes.

Hansberger presented the Shell Lake Fire Association minutes. Severson announced the addition of a brush truck for the fire department. He also noted that Dave Schrafnagel has retired after 41 years of service.

Mayor's Report: Hansberger announced that a Second Annual Winterfest will be taking place on February 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. this winter. She also noted that the ice rink at Tiptown is 100% voluntary and the city is not involved in its maintenance.

Executive/HR Committee: Hansberger presented the minutes. Hansberger explained the need to redo the Police Chief application process in its entirety due to WRS policies. Smith moved seconded by Schultz, to revisit the application process/search for the Part-time Chief of Police position at a later date. The motion carried unanimously.

General Administration: No meeting.

Public Works Administration: No meeting.

Parks and Recreation: No meeting.

Financial Administration: Smith presented the minutes. Smith moved, seconded by Schultz, to approve vouchers 1552-1666. Motion carried unanimously.

Smith presented the budget status report.

New Business -- None.

Schultz moved, seconded by Smith, to adjourn at 7:34 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Andrew Eiche, City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer