

CITY OF SHELLEY
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

MARCH 22, 2005

PRESENT: Mayor Eric Christensen
Council Members: Lorin Croft, Steve Cederberg (absent), John Lent, Charlotte Fredrickson
Police Chief: Alan Dial
Public Wks Dir.: Rick Anderson
Recreation Dir.: Dawn Lloyd
City Clerk: Sandy Gaydusek
City Attorney: B.J. Driscoll

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alan Dial

PRAYER: BJ Driscoll

John moved, Charlotte seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approval of the minutes of March 08, 2005 Council meeting

Approval of the Following Building Permits:

Lorin Croft	- new home
Larry Hansen	- remodel
Ron Lundquist	- re-roof
Gayle Poole	- re-roof
Kim Pascoe	- new home
Robyn Elswood	- addition

Approved three in favor, one absent.

Rick said Lorin and he reviewed some of the widths of the streets in the city to see what size of right-of-way would be adequate for all new streets. At the present the city requires a 66 foot right-of-way with at least 44 feet of asphalt. Rick said they felt 40 feet of asphalt is sufficient to be able to maintain and plow snow efficiently. This would make the right-of-way 62 feet. Lorin said he contact several cities including Idaho Falls, Pocatello, and Blackfoot and most of those cities require a 60 foot right-of-way (some require planting strips also). Lorin felt the city would save money by having 62 foot instead of 66 foot right-of-ways because of the maintenance and repairs to that wide of street. The Council discussed the Wind River Estates Subdivision developed by Marvin Keele. They determined he would be allowed to construct 40 feet of asphalt instead of 44 feet since the ordinance will be changed. He will not have to change his entire plat; he can leave the right-of-way 66 feet, but just change the width of the asphalt. The Mayor and Council directed BJ to draft an ordinance to change the right-of-way to 62 feet that will be considered at the next meeting.

Sandy said she checked with Farrel Steiner, one of the auditor's for the city regarding the establishment of a trust fund for the Auditorium District. She said he said it would be fine to set up a trust fund to handle the funds.

Mayor Christensen read a letter of resignation he received from Neil Andreason effective May 1, 2005. Neil will be resigning as grant writer due to medical problems. Mayor Christensen said

he will accept Neil's resignation, and he expressed appreciation to Neil for all of his hard work for the city.

Sandy said since taking on the satellite office for Bingham County for vehicle registration and driver's license it has become a very big job for one person to handle. She said usually 75% of the time a second person has to help Belva in this department. Sandy said the funds we receive from the county for this department does not even pay for Belva's wage, and the city subsidizes the fringe benefits such as medical and dental insurance, life insurance, and social security. Sandy said she has discussed this problem with the Assessor, Ron Simmons, and the Sheriff, Dave Johnson. It does not appear that the county is willing to give the city more money for operating this department. Sandy said there are a lot more developments in the city such as the number of subdivisions, Regional Wastewater Facility, Urban Development, etc., will takes up a lot more of everyone's time. She said she would like to work on this matter and come back with a proposal to possibly limit some of the services that are being supplied by the city.

Dawn said the Easter Egg Hunt will be this coming Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

Rick said Stacy Pascoe is constructing an office building on the north end of the city. He said the office building is in the city limits, but there is no water and sewer line that Mr. Pascoe can hook onto. Rick said Mr. Pascoe would like to access the city water and sewer, but the cost for the water line is approximately \$6,000 and the sewer line would be approximately \$5000, plus \$2000 for a manhole. He said he is aware that the regional wastewater line will be constructed in the future and would like to run the sewer line clear to Country Club Road. Sandy said the city may not be able to run the line down the New Sweden Connector Road to loop it off of Brent Christensen's development which is approximately \$7000, because of the cost of the Water Planning Study that needs to be done. She said she did not know where the funding will come from to run the line to Mr. Pascoe. Lorin said Rick and he will meet with Mr. Pascoe to discuss this matter further and report back at the next meeting.

Rick said Carolee Carlson would like to plant some trees near the walking path on her property, and would like to access the city water system to water these trees with a drip system. He said there is a two inch line that runs the sprinkler system near the walking path that she may be able to tie into. John said Carolee contacted him and expressed the same to him, and she mentioned that the city is placing dead trees and limbs on a piece of her property. He said Sandy indicated that Carolee may be interested in installing a vinyl fence on her property also, but it is unclear which side of the fence the trees would be on. Rick said he is not aware of placing anything on Carlson's property. He said Carolee asked him if the city would be willing to install the vinyl fence if she paid for the materials, and he said no. Lorin said he is not interested in expending any money for this matter. He said the city should not develop property for private individuals. The Council determined that more information is needed to find out the intentions of Mrs. Carlson. Sandy was instructed to invite Carolee to the next council meeting to discuss this further.

Sandy said she contacted the Bingham County Assessor's office to find out who owns the property between the walking path and the river so they can be notified to remove the dead trees which are a hazard. She said the county was not sure who the owner is, and would have to research this matter further.

Brent Christensen said DEQ has the North Shelley Business Park plat on hold because the water line that will be connected off of North Park to service the subdivision is not going to be looped onto State Street as the master plan shows. Sandy said she contact Dave Noel and he will be contacting Chuck Ketterman of DEQ to find out what options the city has.

Alan said he talked to Steve about hiring a part time police officer to fill the open spot Kent Swanson left. He said he is looking at a county officer or a reserve officer to hire. Alan said Steve and he will continue working on this matter.

John said Eric Call is resigning from the Planning and Zoning Commission due to his job commitments. He said he is looking for someone within the city limits to replace him, but he also needs to fill one more space with someone residing in the impact area. John said he will wait for the impact area negotiation to be finalized before he proceeds.

John said Brandon Bird of the Bingham County Economic Development is spending some time in the Shelley area to help promote business development. He said Mr. Bird knows of a business that provides on line banking services that is considering the Shelley area.

John said he is working with Debby Evans on Urban Renewal projects for the city. He said Debby will be meeting with some designers to obtain cost estimate to renovate the front of the downtown businesses. John said most of the property owners are in agreement with this project, but there are a few that are not enthused about the project.

Lorin said Qwest will have DSL available in the city sometime in April approximately. He said this service will cover the entire city area.

Lorin moved, John seconded to adjourn into executive session. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Lorin moved, John seconded to reconvene into regular session. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Mayor Christensen said during executive session, potential litigation was discussed.

Adjourned: 8:31 p.m.

ATTEST:

 APPROVE: 