# CITY OF SHELLEY COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES**

### AUGUST 13, 2025

PRESENT: Mayor Stacy Pascoe

Council Members: Kim Westergard, Jeff Kelley,

Don West, Sean Kress

Public Work Director: Justin Johnson

Police Chief: Chad Purser

Recreation Director: Mikel Anderson (Absent) City Building Inspector/Planner: Jordon Johnson

Attorney: B.J. Driscoll

City Clerk/Treasurer: Lisa Ybarra

Pledge of Allegiance: Chief Purser

Prayer: Don West

The meeting was opened at 7:35 p.m.

Kim moved; Jeff seconded to approve the consent calendar: Approval of Council Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2025

Approval of Building Permits

Tyler Ward

**Egress Window** 

Bryce Bradshaw

Remodel

Kirk Jolley

Reroof

A roll call vote was taken: Sean – aye, Don – aye, Kim – aye, Jeff - aye. Approved unanimously.

# Maddie Clayson - North Bingham County District Library - Consider diagonal parking along East Locust, South side of the library building

Maddie with the North Bingham County District Library gave thanks to the Mayor and the Council and the officers for all of the support they have had at the library and she said that Justin and his crew are fantastic and always help them out. Maddie request to have diagonal parking on West Locust on the library side of the street only. She said she had done research and understands that their street is more narrow than South Park and would make parking more congested. She questioned that in front of the dance studio the parking is at 45 degree angle and asked if maybe having a 30 degree angle would help vehicles to not stick out too much. Maddie said that they are requesting to get more parking because their programs are growing, and they are having a hard time parking and if they park across the street, parents are having to walk across the street with their little kids. Maddie said she measured and at 45 degrees, they could get 25 additional slots. Justin measured South Park is 62 ft wide and on West Locust is 55 ft wide. Justin asked if this would be temporary or if it would be more permanent. One of the issues that Don mentioned is that the visibility would be low on South Park to West Locust would be low when at the stop sign, parallel parking could be better. Don would like to be in favor but needs more information parallel spaces. Justin Council Meeting – August 13, 2025

will get more information on the measurements. Kim moved; Don seconded to table the consideration for parking until there is more research on the parking.

<u>Sheryl Cederberg – Consider waiving sanitation fees for her storage units</u>

Sheryl said she is requesting that her garbage pick up services for her small storage compound that is S & S Storage that is located at 401 Bluebird be lowed or stopped. Sheryl said she acknowledges the city policy is that every property pays water, sewer, and garbage. Sheryl says that she has paid for those services at the commercial rate even though she does not use any of those services. Sheryl said that the garbage container used to be stored outside of the office and that some time ago the garbage truck wiped out her overhead light and the security camera. She said that it was necessary to have to move the garbage barrel out further away from the building, but it also put it in the line of those driving RVs in and out. Sheryl said she has had to do one of two things, she has had to go out and open gates so that the garbage truck could pick it up or leave the gates open until they removed the garbage which then has made it that she has had to be available to open it on those days and close it on those days and that become a real challenge because often the city would forget to pick it up and the gates are left open. Sheryl also mentioned that the city also sometimes forgets to snowplow that part because it is a short end of the road and is easily forgotten. Sheryl said that because she is not always available to open and close the gates her only choices are that to be able to open and close the gates or leave the gates wide open which based on the outside parking it is not a safe situation for them. Sheryl said that for the past year, the garbage barrel has been located at her house. The gate to the storage units is securely locked. Sheryl said that she also understands that because the office has a bathroom and is fully capable of using city services that she needs to pay for them even they do not use them. Sheryl is requesting for a variance and a relief from paying for commercial garbage which is \$53.76 a month. She said that again the area is not serviced with gates it is not capable of being serviced. She is requesting respectfully that the container be picked up from her house and future charges be removed from her S&S Storage city services account. Sean asked how people park in the storage area. Sheryl said that there is a combination gate. Sean confirmed that once they become customers, they get the combination, and they go in and out. Sheryl said yes. It was mentioned that unless she gives our truck driver a combination and he opens the gates to pick up the garbage and closes. The can would have to be set up at the drive way for him to pick up which then it has be moved back. Kim mentioned that they have not allowed State Street Storage or Siems to get rid of their cans. Sean mentioned that his concern was that if they didn't have a garbage can there, someone is going to clean out a trailer and have nowhere to throw it away. Sheryl mentioned that when she had the garbage barrel, is that neighbors would have overflow and would use her can and she was paying for it. She does not see a benefit of an enclosed storage unit having a garbage barrel because it cannot be picked up unless we want our driver to do the combination but there isn't a lot of room for him to turn around easily. Kim said that she understands her frustration but feels if they set the precedence there are going to be several people that will go back to Council that were told no before. Sheryl asked if they were in a gated compound. The Chief mentioned that even if the gate is locked and our driver cannot access it, it is still the owner's responsibility to give access to the driver to dump the can. Our driver should not have to get out of his truck to open the gate

to get to the can. Justin asked if there would be an option to pay a lower price, if she is paying a commercial, could she be charged the residential price. The Mayor asked if the can would be at her house or the storage units. Sheryl said it is at her house because she has no where to put it at the storage units. Justin said it would be at the storage units and she would be the lower rate. Mayor asked how Toby would dump the can if it was behind the locked gate and Justin said he didn't believe Sheryl wants it dumped. She would have the can and pay the rate as the policy states, but it would not be dumped. The Mayor says he would be fine with that. Justin said it would be a comprise and Sheryl said it would be better to pay the lower rate for something the city can't service and she can't maintain. Kim stated she was okay to charge the residential rate and have it placed at her house. Jeff agreed. B.J. mentioned that when we make an exception in general, who else is going to want the exception or how are we going to distinguish one versus another because there are times when it makes sense but what could the consequences going to be. B.J. asked the Council if this is something that we could look at because we have had other people ask and if we want to establish a policy what the guidelines need to be and when we would allow it and when we would not allow it. There would be a standard that people would know up front, and it would not be a case by case. Don agrees with B.J. Sean also agreed. Sheryl said that she has a secured fence, not a field fence, and has a security fence and if people have that than they should have the same right as her to refuse services. Don asked if the city required for the security fence to be placed. It was said it was not. It mentioned that was a choice and it should not set the precedence of not having to pay for the service. Sheryl asked if she did not have the right to refuse garbage services. Jeff said that that is correct, by ordinance, water, sewer, sanitation is obligation. The Mayor said we would take a look at it and Kim also agreed to work on this and get more information. As of now it will stay the same.

# <u>Jeff Stafford – Consider placing speed bumps on Walnut Street</u>

Jeff Stafford said he appreciated the Council for the meeting today. He stated he wanted to address an issues that has been a long ongoing issue that he has seen as a homeowner on Walnut street for six years. Jeff said there is significant speeding on Walnut Street and a lot of those are criminal speeding which is 15 mph over the posed speed limit which would be misdemeanor or felony depending on the speed. One of the reason he asked for some time tonight was the detour down Walnut because of Hanson. Jeff stated that they have called the police numerous times over the years and offer to post a car and also sit in his drive way behind his car so people cannot see them. The was an officer within the last week that was kind enough to do some time on the road and sit and wait and during those 45 minutes he pulled over three people going significantly over the speed limit. He said he did not know that the that ended with in regards to tickets. This usually happens when people are running late for work or school, just after 8 a.m. some going between 45 mph to 60 mph. His worry is the safety of kids playing. He is requesting that speed bumps be placed on Walnut Street to help reduce the speeding. B.J. confirmed with Jeff that he was proposing the installation of speed bumps, Jeff said yes, B.J. asked how that would affect with snow removal. Justin said he was against speed bumps because it is hard to do any work on that road, sweep the road, clean the road. It is a narrow road about 28 to 30 road. Snow plowing the road with speed bumps will make it more difficult and would ruin the plows. Jeff also proposed speed dips. Justin said that the snowplows would not be able to plow and clean the roads. Chad does not

think that the speed bumps would not help. Don mentioned that a person could slow down going over the speed bump but they would accelerate to the next. Jeff also mentioned that people do not stop at the stop signs. Some people will go through the stop signs and speed through the streets. His officers are more proactive to have an officer to be in the areas because of the construction and the school starting. The Mayor asked the Chief to be out at the area more and help with the speeding.

## Adam French - Consider installing lighting on nature path

Adam said that the Recreation Department would like permission to place solar panels lamps on the nature walk on the city side. They would put everything in for the lighting and it would not cost the city. Justin asked how it would be to mow around the lights, and it was mentioned that it would have to be something to look in to. Kim mentioned that part of the nature walk is on property that is owned by her parents, and she would need to ask them and her siblings if they would be okay with placing lighting there. Mayor thinks it is a good idea to have but they would have to more research on the placements and the mowing that Public Works would have to do to maintain. Adam said he could have a drawing and present it to the Mayor and Council with a layout. Kim moved, Jeff seconded to table to consider installing the lighting on the nature path for the next council meeting. All in favor, approved unanimously.

# Adam French – consider planting grass on the 72-acre park

Adam said that the Recreation Department is ready to plant grass on about 26 of the 72 acres on the farm. Adam was wanting to know who would let Brent Christensen know that he will lose the 26 acres to the North. Adam would let know Brent know where the 20 acres are located.

### Fox Crossing – Consider change of street name in new subdivision

Fox Crossing requested to change a street name from Lola to Gale. Don moved, Kim seconded to change the street name from Lola to Gale. All in favor, approved unanimously.

# New Council Business - Consider Approval of Business Licenses - Consider Approval of General Business License - VERSEO

Chief Chad said he has been doing more than required on the background checks. The background checks he has been doing are used for criminal investigation. Chad mentioned to maybe table the approval until it was decided which direction to use going forward, if only search only and what is public to Idaho or change the ordinance to use a form to do the fingerprints and send them to the FBI. The Council would need to decide which direction to go. Kim moved, Don seconded to table the approval of the license until it is decided which process to take moving forward with the background checks. All in favor, approved unanimously.

# **Consider waiving fingerprinting fees for Shelley School District Employees**

Kim requested if the Mayor and Council and B.J. could be added to the list of city employees who receive an activity card. The Mayor said he was fine with waiving the fees for the fingerprints for the school employees. All in favor, approved unanimously.

### **Old Council Business**

# **Consider surplus of old Council Chairs**

Lisa mentioned that at the previous meeting we mentioned that the old council chairs needed to be surplus, but it was not on the agenda. Kim moved, Don seconded to surplus the old council chairs. All in favor, approved unanimously.

# **Department Head Reports**

Lisa asked the Council when they would like to start Kayla to receive the city perks on her utility bill. It was agreed to start in September.

Jordon mentioned that Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the tennis courts, the conjoined are fixed and they are placing the landscaping. Richardson Concrete put the nets up and the City crew are working on the landscaping. The Shelter has been ordered. Jordon mentioned that he will be off next week.

Justin said that last week was the last movie in the park. There were about 60 people who attended. Justin was gone last week and Chad ran the movie in the park and Justin thanked Chad for doing a good job and helping. Justin also mentioned that the West Fir Construction would be ongoing until about October 15th. They did set up traffic controls and things ran smooth the first day of school. They hope to have a lot done during Spud Harvest. The Park subdivision #2 has the asphalt done and Wind River is working on its asphalt. Justin said that he did have to do two different change orders. One was for about \$2,600 for an 8" line and the other was for about \$5,200 for two 8" line. Justin said that the crew worked on a water line break that happened. Also the Hawk light was down for school. The electrician is supposed to come out tomorrow to take a look and they would move forward from there. Justin said that his groundskeepers are going to be finished for the year. Sidney's last day is tomorrow and Connor's is next Thursday, both are going back to school. He thanked them for their help and they did a great job this year.

Chief said that everything was going good. He mentioned that Landon's last day was August 8th. Chief said they have received three application and a few with only resumes. He also mentioned that school is back in session and for everyone to be careful. There is also a taskforce for DUI from August 16th through September 7th.

### **Council Reports**

Jeff mentioned that Steve at the Senior Citizen asked about the timing on the pavement and the lanes behind the building. Justin said he had the understanding that we were not going to do those until the water project because they would have to redo the paving again when the road was torn up for the new lines. Don agreed to wait until the water project was completed.

Adjourned: 9:19 p.m.

PROVE: ATTEST: DOWN

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