

CITY OF SHELLEY
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

OCTOBER 25, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor Stacy Pascoe

Council Members: Jeff Kelley, Kim Westergard, Adam French, and Leif Watson

Police Chief:	Chad Purser
Public Wks Dir.:	Justin Johnson
Recreation Dir.:	Mikel Anderson
City Clerk/Treasurer:	Sandy Gaydusek
City Attorney:	BJ Driscoll
City Building Insp/Plann.:	Jordon Johnson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Justin Johnson

PRAYER: Kim Westergard

The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m.

Adam moved, Jeff seconded to approve the following consent agenda:

Approval of the Minutes of Council Meeting on October 11, 2022

Approval of the September Overall Budget & Treasurer's Rpt.

Approval of September Expenditures

Building Permits:

Lisa Ledbetter	- solar panels
Peter Tolman	- solar panels
Jesus Martinez	- fence
Mary Vansteensburg	- re-roof
Bryson Higley	- new home
Hardtimes	- fence
Amber Reasor	- solar panels
Justin Scoresby	- new home

A roll call vote was taken: Jeff – aye, Kim – aye, Leif – aye, and Adam – aye.
Approved unanimously.

Larry Bateman was not in attendance.

Sandy said Lorin Croft has offered to purchase a lot in the Sunset Vista Subdivision and donate it to the city for a new city park. He submitted pictures of the existing lot at 806 Twilight Street. Mr. Croft said he would like a park there because it is right across the street from his home and his grandchildren could play there, he could use the donation as a tax right off, and his daughter who is an engineer would have the opportunity to design the park. Mr. Croft said he would like to see a pickle ball court or playground equipment there. Adam said there is really no guarantee that we can get a grant to develop the park. Kim said she feels this is a good opportunity. Mayor Pascoe said it will be a little while before we will be able to get a grant, and during that time we will have to maintain it. He said we have been trying to re-do the tennis courts and add a pickle ball court at Brinkman Park for the past several years, so there are other projects we need grants for as well. Leif said Camille did a great job on the park in the City of Dubois. Jeff said this will be a neighborhood competing with other sections of the

city. Justin said to hydro-see it and put in a sprinkler system it will cost about \$10,000. Sandy said if a pickle ball court is planned maybe a portion of the lot should be used for a parking area. Justin said there could be a problem with on street parking. He said maybe this could be a project the Recreation District could handle it the District is formed. The Council felt this is a good gesture and would love to have it but it could be several years before it is developed. Kim moved, Adam seconded to accept Mr. Crofts donation of the lot at 806 Twilight with the two conditions that Mr. Crofts asked; a receipt for the value of the park and allow the Croft family to name the park with city approval. Also, there will be no time frame for the city to develop the park. Approved unanimously.

BJ said the Fox Crossing Developers asked that this item on the agenda be tabled.

Heath Mitchell gave an update on the Parks Subdivision. He said he would like to be on the agenda in two weeks to get the final acceptance of the city, however there are two property owners that would like a temporary certificate of occupancy until this can be accepted by the city. Justin said he has a big concern with that since the sewer is not hooked up to the municipal system. Heath said he was not aware of that and would not want to utilize the system until it was hooked up to the city system. Sandy said an "as built" would be needed before final acceptance also. Justin will work with the contractor regarding the sewer line and this matter will be placed on the next agenda.

Leif said he hasn't talked to Dave about the easements or surveys for the Senior Citizens Center parking. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Justin said he spoke with ITD regarding the regulations for painting no parking strips at some of the intersections. He said they indicated that parking on Highway 91 belongs to the city and we can decide where to paint the lines. Kim suggested adding another crosswalk between the parking on the east side of the highway and the businesses on the west side. She said that way customers could use the parking lot on the east side of the highway. Justin said we could work with ITD to establish a crosswalk. The intersection there has been a problem with visibility is at Pine and State Street. Justin recommended to paint no parking strips thirty feet from the intersection. Chad agreed. Jeff moved, Leif seconded to authorize Justin to move parking back thirty feet on the North side of Pine Street intersection State Street. Approved unanimously. Sandy said there was also a complaint about the intersection at Maple and State Street. The council decided to wait on that section of the city around the park due to lack of parking.

Leif moved, Jeff seconded to approve the following business licenses:

Fat Boy Burgers – Mobile Food Vendor
Highland PM Holding – 518 N. State Street
Approved unanimously.

Justin said he would like to recommend that the city amend their water meter specifications. He said we cannot get the IPearl meter anymore. He said we need to change the description of where the vaults should be set and the type of meter. Justin said he will continue working with Forsgren on this and present this at the next council meeting.

The council considered cancelling the second council meeting in November. It was determined to still hold the meeting.

Mayor Pascoe said we currently own half of the water rights for the deep water well that is on the farm we purchased. He said the owners are willing to sell the other half to the city. He said he is looking into what water rights are selling for in this market. Mayor Pascoe said the State has put a moratorium on drilling wells so a lot of Developers need to bring their water with them. The Council feels we need to pursue the acquisition of these water rights.

Mayor Pascoe discussed moving the irrigation ditch along the West River Road to be able to get adequate irrigation water to the farm. He said EIRSID has given their permission on the north side of the road. Mayor Pascoe said they are trying to move the ditch behind the existing homes and then tie back into it. This will change the route as it will not go behind the Frogner property as it does now.

BJ said Commission Bair said when the surveyor was sent out to survey the portion of the North Bingham County Park that was being given to the city, he discovered a boundary error. BJ said he indicated this could take another six months to get worked out between the County and BLM.

Sandy presented the fourth quarter finance report for the city.

Sandy presented a comment sheet from Bingham County regarding an additional dwelling and there were no concerns or comments from the council.

Sandy said the holidays in the next few months are Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and the day after, Christmas and New Year's. She said with the short day on Friday she would like to recommend the following schedule:

November 11th – Veterans Day – close at 2:00 on the 10th.

November 24th and 25th – Thanksgiving – close at 2:00 on the 23rd.

December 25th – Christmas – close at noon for luncheon on the 23rd and will be closed on the 26th

January 1st – New Years – closed on the 2nd.

The Council agreed with this schedule.

Mikel said the Mayor's Youth Council will be working at the school Halloween carnival and will also be covering the Chili Cook Off.

Jordon said the ICCU building is moving along well. He said Fox Crossing is being reviewed by Forsgren and there has been only one issue that has been taken care of. Jordon said the final plat will be ready to be considered once the Development Agreement has been signed.

Justin said he is still waiting for the parts to fix the Hawk Light that was damaged when a big truck ran into it.

Justin said the crew is still working on fall clean up and it will take another one to two weeks before its done.

Justin said Sunset Vista Division two is still being worked on and they are moving towards the Poulsen complex. He said the home owners there have their pits installed, etc.

Justin said the crew is busy with doing winterization for the year. He also said Austin Mohler has given his two-week notice. Sandy said she will try and set up Indeed but it looks like there is a fee. Chad said he has been using Indeed to seek applicants and it has worked well. He said there is a section that you can set up without a fee.

Chad said he has received resumes from 14 applicants. He said he will have another testing period coming up for a new officer.

Chad said Officer Webb will be done at POST on December 9th and is doing well.

Chad said the department has plans to interact with the public on several Halloween events.

Chad said the light on Highway 91 was out and it ended up being a Rocky Mountain Power issue. It has been fixed.

Jeff said there are windmills being proposed west of the city. He said they range from 115 feet to 248 feet high. He feels this will affect the view and each of the windmills have blinking lights. Jeff said this matter is going before the Bonneville County Planning and Zoning Commission tomorrow night.

Leif said he has received some complaints about Horizon Solar not having a door-to-door salesman license. Chad said he will follow up on this matter. The Council briefly discussed changing the violation for the door-to-door salesman to an infraction instead of a misdemeanor.

Kim said she had the opportunity to attend the Mayor Youth Council meeting while Mikel was gone. She said we have a good group of kids and they run their meetings as a Council meeting is ran. Kim said there is a great Presidency and they have a lot of great projects planned. She expressed her thanks to Mikel.

Adam said he received a letter from Officer Webb thanking the city for the wage increase. Justin said his crew was surprised as well. All of the employees were excited over the increase and the difference it made. The Council appreciates all of the employees and are glad they could fund this increase this year.

Mayor Pascoe said he attended a symposium for a collation that Neil Anderson formed. This is not a political group, it is educators, businesses, etc. Mayor Pascoe said there was quite a few people that attended this first meeting where they talked about school funding.

Mayor Pascoe said he, Jeff, Leif and the city crew watched Fish and Game release two eight-foot sturgeon into the Snake River by the boat ramp. These are two of the twenty-six that will be released. He said they are trying to re-populated between American Falls and the Gem Dam.

Adjourned: 9:00 p.m.

APPROVE:  ATTEST: 