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12-12-2023 a regular meeting of the Shellsburg City Council was called to order by Mayor Speckner at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers. Roll call was answered by Vogt, Reeves, Harvey, Thorkildson, and Travis.

Mayor Speckner requested Timber Ridge be added to the agenda. Reeves motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Vogt. All Ayes.

Superintendent Robertson reported on the city utilities installed to Wildcat Estates, Smith Street Bridge lighting, and cemetery software program.

The library reports and November revenues were reviewed. The November revenues were as follows: General \$13,331.56; Library \$819.03; Cemetery \$180.87; Road Use \$11,267.43; Employee Benefits \$1,390.29; Emergency Fund \$327.35; LOST \$9,353.51; TIF \$2,069.05; Debt Service \$3,306.84; Capital Project Fund \$193,993.30; Water \$12,021.53; Sewer \$21,416.21; Garbage \$9,358.63. Harvey motioned to approve the November treasurer's report, seconded by Travis. All ayes.

Vogt motioned to approve the November claims, seconded by Reeves. All ayes.

The November claims were as follows: AAA Pest Control \$31.00; ACCO \$1,268.90; Alliant \$3,296.79; Anderson-Bogert Engineers \$5,807.00; Appraver \$104.00; Arnold Motor Supply \$187.19; Benton County Solid Waste \$7,011.94; Brianna Pierce \$120.00; City Laundry \$227.76; Croell \$344.00; Dorsey & Whitney, 2023 bond legal fees \$10,000.00; IRS \$5,013.95; Future Line, new plow \$10,151.23; Gordon Flesch, city hall copier \$213.58; Hawkins, water main equipment \$2,195.19; Iowa DOT, Sign tubing \$808.60; IPERS \$3,262.06; John Deere, barbed wire \$289.96; John's Tire Service \$1,432.58; Karl Stephenson \$150.81; Microbac Labs \$1,020.75; Legends Steel \$515.00; LL Pelling, railroad crossing/cold patch \$34,694.50; Lynch Dallas \$566.95; Menards \$215.07; Office Express \$47.98; Origin Design \$20,645.50; Peterson Contractors \$66,147.33; Phil Staab, library IT \$748.43; Quill \$30.94; REC \$191.07; Shellsburg Quick Stop \$261.35; Simple Sky \$60.00; Treasurer State of Iowa \$707.05; Terracon \$1,166.25; USA Communications \$131.03; UPS \$180.54; Vinton Newspaper \$126.22; Wellmark \$3,988.12; WGA Media, bridge opening video \$500.00, Tim Estling \$621.26; Nick Hawthorne \$306.38; Christi Kintzel \$967.50; Marge McDonald \$541.75; Shane Rieck \$3715.78; Rick Robertson \$6,055.88; Karl Stephenson \$3035.25; Barb Tracey \$5,494.14.

Public forum: Brian Reeves thanked Mayor Speckner and council member Thorkildson for their service to our community.

Mayor Speckner gave an update on the current contract negotiations with Timber Ridge.

Mayor Speckner nominated Paul Bristol to serve on the Board of Adjustments. Reeves motioned to approve Paul Bristol for the BOA, seconded by Vogt. All ayes.

Thorkildson motioned to set a public hearing 1-08-24 for a zoning change from Ag to R2 for property located at 3162 64<sup>th</sup> Street, Shellsburg. Reeves seconded the motion. All ayes.

Travis motioned to buy brackets for speed limit signs to be placed on Grand and College. Vogt seconded. All ayes.

Thorkildson motioned to approve Resolution #12-12-2023, PCI #10 pay estimate. Travis seconded. All ayes.

Harvey motioned to deduct from court fine accessed to pay an outstanding utility bill on the property. Reeves seconded. All ayes.

The council discussed how to dispose of the old street signs. They will be advertised on Facebook for \$20.00, first come first served basis.

The closed session on proposed property purchase was cancelled by Mayor Speckner.

Mayor Speckner gave the oath of office to newly elected mayor Phil Travis, and two elected council members, Brian Reeves, and Scott Hepker.

The council gave approval for Nancy Thorkildson to maintain her Facebook privileges.

Benton County Solid Waste board member was tabled until the 1-08-24 meeting.

The council discussed request for address change on Pearl Street. Request denied. The driveway located at 201 Pearl Street SW was tabled until the 1-08-24 meeting.

Vogt motioned to adjourn, seconded by Reeves. All ayes.