



6-02-2025 a regular meeting of the Shellsburg City Council was called to order by Mayor Travis at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers. Roll call was taken by Travis, Vogt, Reeves and Harvey. Hepker was absent.

Harvey motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Reeves. A roll call vote was taken, all ayes. Hepker absent.

Superintendent Robertson asked a question on culverts for the updated SUDAS. Also, mentioned three trees at the water plant that will need to be moved or replaced for the solar project.

Stephenson brought measurements regarding a dead tree reported by a resident to determine if on city property or not. More measurements were requested. He also mentioned that spraying the cemetery has helped weed control.

The library reports were reviewed.

Harvey motioned to approve the May claims, seconded by Travis. A roll call vote was taken, all ayes. Hepker absent. The May claims were as follows: AAA Pest Control \$31.00; Acco \$862.70; Aeromod \$470.46; Alliant \$3596.51; Anderson-Bogert \$5036.00; Appraver \$115.75; Atkins Lumber \$87.96; Auditor of State \$10618.00; Barb Tracey, mileage \$260.96; Benton County Auditor \$8450.00; Benton County Solid Waste \$7231.82; Benton County Treasurer \$16.00; Brianna Pierce \$60.00; Brittanie Roetman \$74.62; City Laundry \$461.67; City of Van Horne \$100.00; Clarke \$824.00; Crawford Quarry \$538.46; IRS \$5257.99; Flashing Thunder Fireworks \$2286.04; Gordon Flesch \$217.00; Hawkeye Publishing, Tidbits trial \$1200.00; Homegrown Sports Group \$706.40; Imagine IT Graphix \$200.00; Ipers \$3414.60; IPI, street signs \$1372.40; John Deere Financial \$1083.51; Johnson County Refuse \$13952.05; Keep Iowa Beautiful \$130.00; Kelsey Fish, Rec Dept popcorn machine \$283.50; Microbac \$963.00; Konica Minolta \$153.00; LL Pelling \$238.61; Lynch Dallas \$544.00; Marge McDonald, mileage \$22.09; McDowells \$163.50; Menards \$299.15; Nutri-Ject \$42.55; Palo Savings Bank \$2014.84; Polydyne \$791.78; REC \$309.00; Rocky's Concrete \$3960.00; Royal Home Services, floor cleanings \$1487.00; Sam's Club, rec dept concessions \$562.25; Schimberg \$2061.50; Schminke Excavating \$900.00; SQS \$269.74; SimpleSky \$120.00; Treasurer State of Iowa \$574.98; Trugreen \$1643.00; USA Communications \$144.69; USPS \$193.76; Vinton Newspaper \$337.55; Wellmark \$4496.62; Tim Estling \$1323.13; Marge McDonald \$1108.00; Linda Peters \$672.69; Shane Rieck \$3853.69; Rick Robertson \$5882.51; Karl Stephenson \$3320.00; Dana Terc \$442.75; Barb Tracey \$5547.59.

Public Forum: Lonnie Speckner asked the council's response to possibly having a lawn mower/tractor pull at Big Day. To be discussed when they have more information.

Nancy Thorkildson gave an update on the garden to be installed at the park and that the GaGa Ball pit flooring is here and just needs to be installed.

Council Forum:

Vogt mentioned that Josh will be coming back Thursday to review property clean up.

Travis motioned to approve Resolution #2025-06-02, Rec Board Finance Policy, seconded by Reeves. A roll call vote was taken, all ayes.

The council discussed the ECICOG invoice and requested the clerk pass through the attorney and bring to the next meeting.

Some of the sidewalks in town have been graded and the remaining to be completed to discuss at the next meeting.

The city will use the same dates and times as the State Legislature passed for fireworks.

Vogt motioned to pass Resolution #2025-06-02A, An agreement with Rabe Hardware for the purpose of submitting an interconnection application to Alliant Energy. Travis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, all ayes.

The election papers are here. They can be picked up anytime just not turned into the clerk until after August 6th, 2025.

New library board member will be introduced at the next meeting.

The request to extend the alley was denied as it would only be benefitting one business/resident and cause changes to the code. The city employees could possibly help leveling if the residents choose to add gravel to the alley.

Travis motioned to approve the SQS tobacco permit, seconded by Vogt. A roll call vote was taken. Travis, Vogt, and Harvey, ayes. Reeves nay. Hepker absent.

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