

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 2025

A public hearing was held in the Community Room of the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center, 190 N. Judgement Street, Shullsburg, Wisconsin on October 15, 2025 at 6:30 P.M for the purpose of hearing all interested parties in the matter of amending Chapter 46 - Article IV - Planned Unit Developments - Section 46-309 – Area of Applicability of the Code of Ordinances, of the City of Shullsburg. Those in attendance were Mayor Verne Jackson, Council Members Cheryl Mulcahy, Emmett Reilly, Dan Morrissey, Duane Wedge. Also in attendance was Jen Detra, Andy Foley, Kim Bellmann, Tyson Morrissey, Mike Raso, and Janelle Schumacher. Mayor Verne Jackson opened the hearing by reviewing the ordinance change, followed by asking for questions and comments from the public regarding the proposed change. Having asked for questions or comments three times, and there being none, Jackson closed the public hearing at 6:30 P.M.

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 2025

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shullsburg was held October 15, 2025 in the Community Room of the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center, 190 N. Judgement Street, Shullsburg, Wisconsin. Mayor Verne Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the Townsend Center, Shullsburg Post Office and Turpin's Home Town Grocery. Roll Call- Duane Wedge, Emmett Reilly, Cheryl Mulcahy, Dan Morrissey - Present. Others present- Jen Detra, Andy Foley, Kim Bellmann, Tyson Morrissey, Mike Raso and Janelle Schumacher.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes – *Motion by Reilly second by Wedge to approve the minutes of the September 17, September 24, and September 29, 2025 Council Meetings. All aye, motion carried.*

Committee Reports – Morrissey gave an update on Street work being completed on Water Street and Hwy 11. He discussed grant information regarding work on Judgement Street and confirmed it would be a City project, not a County project. A potential grant would cover 50-70% of the cost.

Police Chief Report – Chief Jerry emailed the report; there were no questions.

Approve Bills – *Motion by Reilly second by Mulcahy to approve the bills for General, Water, Sewer, Electric, Pool, Museum, Library & TIF Funds. All aye, motion carried.*

Public Comment – None

Ordinance No. 326 – Mayor Jackson confirmed this ordinance amendment was available for discussion during the public hearing earlier in the evening. He read the ordinance which reduces the area of applicability of a Planned Unit Development from six acres to four acres. *Motion by Morrissey second by Wedge to approve Ordinance No. 326 Amending Section 46-309 of the Code of Ordinances. All aye, motion carried.*

Badger Mine & Museum Design Planning Proposal – The Council considered a proposal from FEH Designs to offer planning services for the renovation of the Museum building. The FEH Design fee is \$28,250. The Delta 3 fee is \$6,500. The cost includes multiple meetings with key leaders and donors to discuss the best design for the building. Kim Bellmann of FEH Designs described the process. Morrissey asked about the relationship with Delta 3 Engineering and said they have already been working on the exterior design plans for a concession stand and what the City is looking for from FEH Designs is an interior design plan for the exhibits and artifacts. Bellmann reiterated that Delta 3 could consult on this project from an engineering standpoint. Morrissey said there will need to be further discussion with Delta 3 and then FEH can come back to a future meeting to discuss the interior design of the building. No action taken.

Special Permit Application for A Bit of Yesteryear – The Council reviewed an application for A Bit of Yesteryear special event submitted by Advance Shullsburg for the event on November 29, 2025. Tyson Morrissey confirmed the events are the same as last year, but with the added Tour of Homes. *Motion*

by Reilly second by Wedige to approve the Bit of Yesteryear Special Event Permit Application submitted by Advance Shullsburg for November 29, 2025. All aye, motion carried.

Badger Park Agreement with Shullsburg School District – The Council considered a proposal from the Shullsburg School District for a change in compensation for use of Badger Park in 2026 due to the expected renovations that will decrease the amount of games that can be played at the Park. Mike Raso commented that the school plays two seasons at the park – football and either softball or baseball. Since the football team will not be able to use the park in 2026, he requests the fee for use of the park be cut in half to \$1250, instead of \$2500. *Motion by Reilly second by Wedige to approve the Badger Park Use Agreement with the Shullsburg School District with a fee of \$1250. All aye, motion carried.*

Open Burn Dates – *Motion by Morrissey second by Mulcahy to approve Open Burning from November 6-November 23, 2025 with approval from the fire chief dependent on conditions. All aye, motion carried.*

2025 Trick or Treating Hours – *Motion by Wedige second by Morrissey to approve Trick or Treating hours from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on October 31, 2025. All aye, motion carried.*

Advance Shullsburg Christmas Light Contest – Tyson Morrissey discussed a Christmas light contest that had been started last year having three different categories and offering a prize to winners of \$50 to be used toward their Shullsburg Utility bill. Advance Shullsburg would pay \$75 and they are asking the City to pay \$75 as well. *Motion by Reilly second by Mulcahy to approve the Christmas Light Contest with Advance Shullsburg as discussed. All aye, motion carried.*

Sprinter Phone Lines for Pool and Museum – The Council discussed the phone situation at the museum. Schumacher confirmed the phone line was being forwarded to the city office at the Townsend Center, but would like to switch to a VOIP system with Sprinter IT for the museum and pool since both have fiber internet access now. Some costs will be deferred until spring for setup at the pool. *Motion by Morrissey second by Reilly to approve the Sprinter IT phone proposal for the museum and pool. All aye, motion carried.*

2026 Proposed Annual Budget – No discussion; Schumacher commented that there should be a final draft at the next meeting.

Clerk/Treasurer Report – Monthly financial reports were emailed; there is a new ADA ruling that will require updates to the City's website coming in 2027, so costs may be incurred in designing a new website.

Closed Session – *At 7:53 p.m. a motion was made by Mulcahy second by Reilly to convene into closed session. Roll Call - Morrissey-yes, Wedige-yes, Reilly-yes, Jackson-yes, Mulcahy-yes. Motion carried. Closed Session is Pursuant to Wis. Stat 19.85(1)(c) for the Purpose of Considering Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee over which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility- Discussion of City Clerk Position*

Open Session – *At 8:25 p.m. a motion was made by Reilly second by Mulcahy to reconvene into open session. Roll Call- Morrissey-yes, Wedige-yes, Reilly-yes, Jackson-yes, Mulcahy- yes. Motion carried.*

Action on Closed Session – None

Closed Session – *At 8:25 p.m. a motion was made by Mulcahy second by Reilly to convene into closed session. Roll Call - Morrissey-yes, Wedige-yes, Reilly-yes, Jackson-yes, Mulcahy-yes. Motion carried. Closed Session is Pursuant to Wis. Stat 19.85 (1)(g) to confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.*

Open Session – *At 8:35 p.m. a motion was made by Reilly second by Morrissey to reconvene into open session. Roll Call- Morrissey-yes, Wedige-yes, Reilly-yes, Jackson-yes, Mulcahy- yes. Motion carried.*

Action on Closed Session – None

At 8:38 p.m. a motion was made by Wedige second by Mulcahy to adjourn. All aye, motion carried.

Janelle Schumacher
Clerk/Treasurer