CITY OF SHULLSBURG, WISCONSIN
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 21, 2026

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shullsburg was held October 21, 2026 in the Community Room of the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center, 190 N. Judgement Street, Shullsburg, Wisconsin. Mayor Dan Morrissey 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 Wedige, Emmett Reilly, Griffin Wiegel, Cheryl Mulcahy – Present; Others present- Mark Doyle, Matt Pivit, Jen Detra, Annie Timmerman, Tyson Morrissey and Janelle Schumacher.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes – *Motion by Wedige second by Reilly to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2026 Council Meetings. All aye, motion carried.*

Committee Reports – Wedige gave a report from the Street Committee meeting regarding the Tie Yard Lot. Mulcahy asked about getting the Veteran's Memorial sealed; Wedige will discuss with Street Supervisor.

Police Chief Report – The report was emailed and there were no further questions or comments.

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

Pay Application #4 to JI Construction, LLC – Mark Doyle from Delta 3 Engineering presented the Council with Pay Application #4 for JI Construction, LLC in the amount of $147,829 for the Infrastructure Improvement project. Doyle gave a brief update on the project. *Motion by Reilly second by Mulcahy to approve Pay Application #4 for JI Construction, LLC in the amount of $147,829 for the Infrastructure Improvement Project. All aye, motion carried.*

Citizen Participation Plan Public Hearing – Doyle scheduled the public hearing with the Council for December 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Pay Application #2 for Tie Yard Lot – Doyle presented the Council with Pay Application #2 for Rule Construction LTD in the amount of $132,177.68 for the Tie Yard Lot project. Doyle gave a brief update on the project and told the Council to schedule a special assessment hearing at the next Council meeting, which will be held November 18, 2026 at 6:15 p.m. *Motion by Reilly second by Wiegel to approve Pay Application #2 for Rule Construction LTD in the amount of $132,177.68 for the Tie Yard Lot project. All aye, motion carried.*

Badger Park Improvement Project – The Council discussed Fiber Internet installation at Badger Park. The fiber would begin at the new museum building and extend to the East and West shelter houses and 3rd base dugout. *Motion by Wiegel second by Reilly to approve Comelec to install fiber internet as discussed. All aye, motion carried.*

The Council discussed the keyless entry proposal from Comelec that was recommended from the Park Committee. *Motion by Reilly second by Mulcahy to approve the purchase of keyless entry door system from Comelec to operate six doors at Badger Park. All aye, motion carried.*

The Council discussed the homerun fence for the ballfield at Badger Park. There was a previous discussion with the athletic booster club who owns the current fence, along with the advertising signs that are used for fundraising. The boosters want to keep the fundraising program going and continue to use the advertising. Morrissey stated he would like to see the fence black to match the rest of the new fences. Annie Timmerman was present for the booster club and said they would look into black netting to put over the fence. *Motion by Reilly second by Wiegel to allow the boosters to continue to use the fence for the ballfield along with their advertising. All aye, motion carried.*

The Council discussed the TSR proposals to coat the floors of the two pavilions at Badger Park yet this Fall. They reviewed samples and discussed possible donation sources to help offset the $20,500 total. *Motion by Reilly second by Griffin to approve having TSR coat the two pavilion floors as discussed with the Shoreline color. All aye, motion carried.*

Republic Services Agreement – The Council discussed a proposal to continue using Republic Services for garbage and recycling operations. Matt Pivit addressed the Council and their request for a 4% increase. He offered a five year agreement with a 4% increase, with the monthly cost being either $15.00 per household using carts or $14.50 per house hold without using carts. Morrissey requested an additional recycling dumpster at the city office in case there is a need for it after moving recycling to bi-weekly. Morrissey asked about the timing of the cart delivery, stating he does not want it done in the winter and feels April would be an appropriate time. There was further discussion about the size of cart that would be appropriate; Wedige noted a 95-gallon cart seems too big for some people and suggested starting with 65-gallon. *Motion by Reilly second by Wedige to approve the proposal with Republic Services starting April 1, 2027 using carts. All aye, motion carried.*

A Bit of Yesteryear Special Event Application – The Council reviewed the special event application submitted by Experience Shullsburg. Tyson Morrissey commented on the event and briefly explained parking for the parade would be prevented on the south side of Water Street from 4-6:30 p.m. Otherwise there would be very few changes from last year. *Motion by Wedige second by Mulcahy to approve the Bit of Yesteryear Special Event Application as discussed. All aye, motion carried.*

Christmas Light Contest – Tyson Morrissey also discussed the Christmas Light Contest partnership between the City and Advance Shullsburg. This will be the third year and there are three categories. The city would contribute $75 to the winner, matched by Advance Shullsburg so each winner would get $50 applied to

their Shullsburg Utility bill. *Motion by Wiegel second by Reilly to approve the Christmas Light Contest with Advance Shullsburg. All aye, motion carried.*

Tie Yard Lot Completion – The Council reviewed a proposal from Blackstone Limited to complete work at the Tie Yard Lot, including work at Shullsburg Chiropractic and Walker Price Properties in which the property owners would be responsible for the payment for the improvements to their property. *Motion by Reilly second by Wedige to approve the Blackstone proposal as discussed. All aye, motion carried.*

Ordinance No. 333 Annexing Territory – The Council reviewed Ordinance No. 333 to annex 0.32 acres of property into the City of Shullsburg from the Town of Shullsburg for industrial park use. The property was donated by Diedrich Farms. Council wishes to send a thank you letter to Diedrich Farms. *Motion by Reilly second by Mulcahy to approve Ordinance No. 333 annexing property into the City of Shullsburg. All aye, motion carried.*

Townsend Center Floor & Countertops – The Council reviewed flooring and countertop proposals to replace the floors and countertops in the Kitchen and Rescue Squad rooms of the Townsend Center. The proposals were from Gobin Allion Flooring, Blacks Flooring and Altimate Countertops. The Council acknowledged a generous donation from Julie Gladson and Mark Townsend to be used towards the Townsend Center updates. *Motion by Mulcahy second by Reilly to approve replacing the floors and countertops in both the kitchen and rescue squad meeting room of the Townsend Center. All aye, motion carried.*

Open Burning – *Motion by Wedige second by Wiegel to approve open burning from now until December 1, 2026. All aye, motion carried.*

Trick or Treating – The Council discussed Trick or Treating hours to be from 6:00pm to 8:00pm on October 31.

2027 Proposed Annual Budget – The Council discussed the proposed 2027 annual budget. There have been no final numbers submitted from the fire district or ambulance board. The Council would expect to see a 3% increase from them. There was further discussion about the Street budget and Park budget and how much should be budgeted in outlay accounts. The budget will be reviewed one more time before a public hearing in early December and final approval. No action taken.

Clerk/Treasurer Report – Reports were emailed prior to the meeting. There were no questions.

Closed Session – *At 8:37 p.m. a motion was made by Wedige second by Reilly to convene into closed session.* Roll Call - Wiegel-yes, Wedige-yes, Reilly-yes, Morrissey-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 2027 Employment Contracts.

Open Session – *At 9:02 p.m. a motion was made by Reilly second by Wedige to reconvene into open session. Roll Call- Morrissey-yes, Wedige-yes, Reilly-yes, Wiegel-yes, Mulcahy- yes. Motion carried.*

Action on Closed Session – None.

At 9:02 p.m. a motion was made by Reilly second by Wedige to adjourn. All aye, motion carried.

Janelle Schumacher
Clerk/Treasurer