



Summary August 4, 2025
Regular Meeting

Shellman City Hall

6:00 PM

51 PARK AVENUE
SHELLMAN, GA 39886

1. **CALL TO ORDER—MAYOR JAMES WEATHERSBY**

ATTENDEE NAME	TITLE	STATUS
James Weathersby	Mayor	Present
Juanita Bradley	Mayor Pro Tem	Present
Kelvin Johnson	Councilman	Absent
Curtis Henderson	Councilman	Present
Stewart Short	Councilman	Present
Scott Curry	Councilman	Present

2. **OPENING PRAYER—Councilwoman Bradley**

3. **PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** councilman Curry made the motion to approve the agenda councilman Henderson second. **Motion Accepted**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilman Short made the motion to accept the minutes from July 07, 2025 and councilman Henderson second. **Motion Accepted**

6. **Approval of Accounts Payable** Councilman Curry made the motion to pay all bills and councilman Henderson second. **Accepted**

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS-**

- Clerks Report- the office has been collecting delinquent taxes trying to get all caught up before the new tax bills go out. The Audit if complete the city had to have a single audit done this year. The reports on these should be completed by the next meeting. The owners of the Sammons lot downtown were contacted by the clerk and they are ready to proceed with the sale. The amount they are asking is \$18,000.00. Councilman Short made the motion to borrow the money from First State Bank and councilman Henderson second with Councilman Curry abstaining the **motion passed**. The attorney will be contacted to start the paperwork. The Bryant Festival will be held on Oct 4 this year from 10-4. The letters were sent out for the collection of RBEG Loans but there still has been no luck in getting any of them paid on. Councilman Short made the motion to send the information in to the attorney to start collections to repossess the collateral. Councilman Curry second **MOTION PASSED**
- Public works Report -has been working on a way to get out a mass notification system going so that when the water has to be turned off the people on the system will be notified through text.

- Police Report- there is now a fully functioning department with 5 cars, 3 full-time officers, and 4 part-time officers. The department has newly installed tag readers and have been tickets issued for the next court day.

8. COUNCIL and CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Ben Plowden was on the agenda and he resigned from his position as Code Enforcement because he said things are not being done correctly. No one should be allowed to override his inspections.
- Sarah Daniels explained that the grass in the field in front of her and at the lot next to her are really grown up with weeds and grass and needs to be cleaned. The mayor advised Mr. Allen who was present and owns the land next to her that he needs to have it cleaned up by the September 2025 meeting or he will be fined.
- Eva Thomas and her mom Pat Golden wanted to discuss the neighbor putting the water from their pool in her yard. She was advised that she and her neighbor would have to work that out. She also wanted to open a Cottage Market the council agreed but needed to research the Cottage Laws first to make sure rules are being followed. They wanted to have a miniature cow in their back yard the council said that they would have to have it completely fenced in but would also check the zoning on this.
- Angie Milner was at the meeting to ask the council to rezone the building on Park Avenue to residential. She was advised that she would have to follow all of the necessary steps to do this and then the decision would be decided that way.
- There were two RBEG Applications Mr. Ryan Arnett was one and he wanted to get the loan for his car washing business. The collateral he had listed has to be checked out and appraised so his application was tabled. The other application was for Najjaria Sullivan she wants to use the loan to buy equipment for her tax business. The collateral she had listed the council agreed that those items could not be used for her collateral. Her application was tabled until next meeting and she could provide more collateral.

9. CONSENT AGENDA (THINGS THAT NEED TO BE VOTED ON)

ACTION ITEMS

- Gm life and health renewal rates councilman Short made the motion to accept the new rates for the upcoming term and councilman Henderson second **Motion Passed.**
- Pleasant Grove Missionary Church has a CD under the city of Shellman and it will be up for renewal this month. The council agreed to turn those funds and the portion of the cemetery that the city owns over to Pleasant Grove. Councilwoman Bradley will be the responsible party for the cemetery from this point forward so the funds will be turned over to her and she in turn will be responsible for lot sales and the upkeep of the cemetery.

10. Old Business

11. New Business

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12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. ADJOURNMENT Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned 6:51 pm SS/SC