

**New Sharon City Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 20, 2008
7:00 p.m., City Hall**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session at City Hall, Wednesday, February 20, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Ed Davis presiding. Council members present were Kenneth Ward, Dianna Klinker, Lisa Munn and Zack Pickard. Larry Applegate was absent. City employees in attendance were Kevin Lamberson and Diane Brand. Others in attendance were Scott Farrington, Sharon Dawley and Michael Schaffer.

Pickard made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Klinker seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Pickard made a motion to approve Resolution #022008A to vacate alleys and set a public hearing date for 3/3/08 at 7:05 p.m. Munn seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Munn made a motion to approve Resolution #022008B to amend the 07-08 budget and set a public hearing date for 3/19/08 at 7:05 p.m. Pickard seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Ward made a motion to approve Resolution # 022008C to hire Randall Stravers as the new City Attorney for 2008. Klinker seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Sharon Dawley and Scott Farrington presented their business plan for Scooter's Pub & Grub to the Council and requested help with financing. After some discussion, Pickard made a motion to back this project with money from the New Sharon Recreation and Development Foundation and to set a meeting with the NSREDF committee to discuss the options available. The meeting will be held at the next regular council meeting scheduled for 3/3/08. Klinker seconded. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

The Water/Sewer/Street report was given by Davis. The repairs have been made to the filter tank at the in town pump house and the tanks have been painted with a special rust resistant paint. The Sewer is running normal for this time of year. City Workers have been busy trying to keep up with the snow and clearing the streets.

The Police Report was given by Lamberson.

There was no Cemetery Report.

The Clerk's Report was given by Brand. Richard McCulley has been donating his time and talent toward updating the City's website. He has included a page for the New Sharon Fire & Rescue Association. Richard is doing an awesome job and we thank him for all of his hard work.

Brand received information regarding the Iowa Municipal Professionals Institute in July. The Institute is undergoing some changes and will be offering specific courses in Clerk Certification, Finance Officer Certification and Administrative Certification. Brand will be working

toward the Municipal Finance Officer Certification.

Davis discussed snow removal with the council. The guys have been hauling snow that has been plowed by others. From now on they will only be hauling away snow that has been plowed by the City, off of city streets and city property. The 08-09 City Budget was discussed and Klinker made a motion to set a date for the public hearing for 3/6/08 at 7:05 p.m. Munn seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

The council will set a date for employee evaluations in the near future.

There was some discussion regarding the streets in the VanKooten Addition in the North West part of town.

There was some discussion regarding the Daycare/Preschool project and different grant opportunities that might be available to help raise money for this project.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Diane L. Brand
City Clerk

Edwin L. Davis
Mayor