

**New Sharon City Council Meeting  
Monday, August 3, 2009  
7:00 p.m., City Hall**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session at City Hall, Monday, August 3, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Edwin Davis presiding. Council members present were Kenneth Ward, Larry Applegate, Zack Pickard and Dianna Klinker. Lisa Munn was absent. Employees in attendance were Diane Brand and Kevin Lamberson. Others in attendance were Tammy Russell, Alan Lake, Nick DeHaan, Randy Moffitt and Laird Dahm.

Klinker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Pickard seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Pickard made a motion to open the public hearing for consideration & approval of building permits for Phil Hebert, Rich & Diane Nutter and Vance Alexander and for the disposal of city owned property located at 201 Depot Street at 7:04 pm. Applegate seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Klinker made a motion to approve the building permits. Ward seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

After some discussion regarding the property at 201 Depot Street, Klinker made a motion to have the property surveyed and determine how much money the city will have invested in the property. At the 8/19/09 council meeting a date for accepting bids will be set along with the terms of the sale. Pickard seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

At 7:15 pm, Pickard made a motion to close the public hearing. Klinker seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Pickard made a motion to approve Resolution 080309A selling the 1989 Chevrolet Dump Truck. Klinker seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Klinker made a motion to approve Resolution 080309B City Street Financial Report for FY 2009. Ward seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Pickard made a motion to approve Resolution 080309C authorizing and approving a Loan and Disbursement Agreement and providing for the issuance and securing the payment of \$600,000 Water Revenue Bonds. Klinker seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Pickard made a motion to approve the building permit application for Travis Carrico and set a date for a public hearing on 8/19/09 at 7 pm. Ward seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Klinker made a motion to approve a building permit application for Alan Lake and set a date for a public hearing on 8/19/09 at 7 pm. Pickard seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes. The council approved Mr. Lake's request to start digging and pouring the foundation next week.

Klinker made a motion to approve the building permit application for the First Christian Church and set a date for a public hearing on 8/19/09 at 7 pm. Pickard seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes. There was also discussion regarding a water main easement that runs underneath the existing structure. Davis will discuss this with Jack Pope from Garden & Associates.

Pickard made a motion to approve a demolition permit for Mark Jansen to remove an existing structure located at 503 N. Elm Street. Applegate seconded. Roll Call Vote: All ayes.

Tammy Russell attended to request that the city council vacate the alley south of her property. After some discussion, Ms. Russell decided to withdraw her request. She was unaware of the fact that all property owners bordering the alley would have a right to purchase part of the alley.

Nick DeHaan & Randy Moffitt attended to discuss and get further clarification regarding the recent sewer repair that took place on Oak Street. After some discussion, the council agreed to set a date for a meeting with all the parties involved to answer any questions they may have. The council will request that the contractors involved attend the meeting as well. The clerk will notify everyone of the date by phone.

The council discussed an offer from Ron Wyatt to purchase 2 acres of ground on E. South Cady to build a shed. The council decided to keep the ground for city use.

Davis gave the Sewer, Water and Street Reports. Two water leaks were discovered today. One on E. South Street and one on S. Main Street. Messerli will be repairing the one on E. South Street on Tuesday. The one on S. Main Street has not been pinpointed yet.

There have not been any problems with the sewer at this time.

The Depot Street Project is running on schedule and should be completed by the first of next week.

Lamberson gave the police report.

Applegate gave the cemetery report. Applegate will be getting bids for a new lawn mower for the cemetery. The city will purchase the old one. There are some stones at the cemetery that have been knocked over. Applegate will hire someone to repair them and to repair some bases.

Brand gave the Clerk's report. After attending the Iowa Municipal Professional's Institute in Ames, Brand had some suggestions regarding updating the City's Investment Policy and possibly working on a Capital Improvement Plan.

There was discussion regarding the requirements of the state fire marshals office regarding continuing training for the volunteer fire department. The city council understands that it takes

time but it is in the best interest of the volunteers to comply with the training requirements of the state. The city council stands behind the fire chief and will back any decision he makes regarding these training requirements.

The council set a date for a mitigation-planning meeting for 8/26/09 at 6:30 pm at the fire station.

There being no further business to discuss, Davis adjourned the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Diane L. Brand  
City Clerk

Edwin L. Davis  
Mayor