

NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

April 19, 2017

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session at city hall, Wednesday, April 19, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Dustin Hite presiding and the following members answering roll call: Kenneth Ward, Larry Applegate, Wes White, and Keri Lamberson. Others in attendance were Kevin Lamberson, Randy Poe, Dale Renaud, Alan Fox, R.D. Keep, Jack Pope, Bryan and Aaron VanderMeiden, Carrie Houser, Bruce Kline, Travis Gay, Ken Williams, LaVonne Rauch, Jeff and Kay Bittner, Clay Beyer and Linda Steel. Terry Hudson was absent.

Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: Ward, White, Applegate, Lamberson

Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by White to approve the following consent agenda items:

04/05/17 minutes

04/19/17 agenda

04/19/17 distributions pending

AYES: Lamberson, Ward, Applegate, White

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Public Comments:

- A. **Dale Renaud-** had water in her basement and thought it was a city issue and that the city should be responsible for part of the bills. She was told by Dustin to bring in the bills and we would turn them to our insurance for them to decide if it is our responsibility or the homeowners.
- B. **Carrie Houser-** would like to apply for an economic and development loan and wanted to know what was required for this to be considered. Dustin stated that we usually ask for a mortgage on the property and then the loan is set for an interest rate and maximum amount set by the council.
- C. **Ken Williams-** asked where we were with rural water since he had been hearing lots of stories. Dustin explained both water and sewer projects and also the process regarding rural water.

Requests from the Community: None

Public Hearings:

- A. Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by Ward to open public hearing at 6:27 p.m. for SRF loan for wastewater project.

AYES: Ward, Applegate, White, Lamberson

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- B. Dustin read information from the environmental information document as follows:

Purpose: The purpose of this project is to make improvements to the wastewater treatment facilities to safely and reliably operate the City of New Sharon's wastewater system for the next 20 years.

Proposed Improvements: The proposed project includes upgrading and expanding the existing 3-cell aerated wastewater treatment lagoon system. The expansion will include construction of 4 aerated rock filters, piping and structures to re-route the wastewater to new filters, air piping, blowers and blower building.

Alternatives Considered: Several other wastewater treatment alternatives were evaluated including a controlled discharge lagoon, earthen basin biological treatment, and aerated lagoons, with extended detention time. The city also considered construction of a new lift station and force main to pump effluent to a larger receiving stream.

Reasons for Selection of Proposed Alternative: The No-Action alternative is not viable due to the IDNR compliance schedule to make improvements to meet effluent limits for dissolved oxygen, ammonia nitrogen and E.coli. The selected wastewater project to upgrade the existing

aerated lagoon with supplemental treatment was deemed the most cost-effective option. The project site was selected for the availability of land (it is already city-owned) as well as minimization of the impacts to the environment.

Jack Pope from Garden Associates gave us a project update. They have started on the fieldwork and are in the middle of the design work. What they recommended is still the most viable at this point.

- C. Motion was made by White and seconded by Lamberson to close public hearing at 6:31 p.m.

AYES: Ward, White, Lamberson, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- D. Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by White to open public hearing at 6:32 p.m. for Allan Fox 701 N. Main, solar panels

AYES: Applegate, Lamberson, White, Ward

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- E. Motion was made by Ward and seconded by White to close public hearing at 6:33 p.m.

AYES: Ward, White, Lamberson, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- F. Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by Applegate to approve building permit for Allen Fox 701 N. Main, solar panels.

AYES: Lamberson, Applegate, Ward, White

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Resolutions and motions:

- A. Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by White to approve liquor license for East Market Grocery.

AYES: Lamberson, White, Applegate

NAYES: Ward

ABSTENTIONS: None

- B. Motion was made by Applegate and seconded by White to set a public hearing for 5/3 at 6:00 p.m. for building permits for Jeff Long, 105 N. Monroe, deck; Trent Morris 304 E. Depot, deck, Kevin Lamberson 603 E. Market, fence

AYES: White, Ward, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: Lamberson

- C. Discussion with Bryan and Aaron VanderMeiden with Midwest Sanitation and Recycling in regards to garbage pickup and curb side recycling which they do in one contract with the citizens. The recycling container by the city park building was dumped 9 times the month of March. New Sharon is one of the largest recycling communities in Mahaska county. Midwest is a family owned company and they would like to apply for a license for pickup for the town of New Sharon. It was said that our citizens sign up and pay for their own garbage pickup. We do have an ordinance that requires haulers to have a license and a copy of the ordinance was given to Bryan and Aaron to review.

- D. Motion was made by White and seconded by Lamberson to approve contract from IEDA for the CDBG grant.

AYES: Applegate, Ward, Lamberson, White

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- E. Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by White to approve contract with Simmering Cory.

AYES: Lamberson, White, Applegate, Ward

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- F. Motion was made by Applegate and seconded by White to approve 28E agreement between Lake Prairie Township and City of New Sharon.

AYES: Applegate, Lamberson, Ward, White

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- G. Motion was made by White and seconded by Ward to approve Resolution 041917 adopting code of Conduct.

AYES: White, Lamberson, Ward, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- H. Motion was made by Applegate and seconded by Lamberson to approve Resolution 041917A adopting procurement policy.

AYES: White, Ward, Lamberson, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- I. Motion was made by Lamberson and seconded by White to approve Equal Opportunity policy statement.

AYES: Lamberson, Applegate, Ward, White

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- J. Motion was made by White and seconded by Lamberson to approve payment in the amount of \$4000.00 for fireworks for spring festival.

AYES: Applegate, White, Ward, Lamberson

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS; None

Ordinances: None

Department Reports

- a. **Water Report-** Midco Diving cleaned the retention tank on Monday.
- b. **Sewer Report-** Mahaska Rural Water is hooking up sewer at Brandon Bandstra's opened the manholes in field all is good.
- c. **Street Report-** street sweeper is fixed, street lights at trailer park electrician has looked and said no power at pole trace back. Clay is short of help for spring clean up, Also a smaller piece of equipment would be a help in fixing some areas of the streets instead of hand shoveling rock.
- d. **Police Report-** on table. Kevin asked if he could work clean up days since we are short. Approved.
- e. **Cemetery Report-**
- f. **City Clerk Report-** clean up days April 24, 25th. Sent 52 reminder notices west side, data tech meeting today new upgrades are coming and a large one in the fall will be very beneficial to us.

- g. City Attorney Report** None
- h. Fire Department Report-**
- i. Library Board-** None

- 10. Departmental Requests:**
- 11. City council Information**
- 12. Mayor Information: -**

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Lamberson and seconded by White to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor declared said motion approved.

Lisa Munn
City clerk

Dustin D. Hite
Mayor