

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday July 7, 2021**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday July 7, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Long and the following members answering roll call: Ron Wyatt, Larry Applegate, Tom German, Ben Hansen. Others in attendance were Heather Little, Eric Gragg, Bob Fuller, Russ VanRenterghem, Kevin Lamberson and Lisa Munn. Leslie VanWyk was absent.

1. Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: Wyatt, Applegate, German, Hansen

2. Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by German to approve the following consent agenda items.

6/16/2021 minutes

7/07/2021 agenda

7/07/2021 distributions pending

AYES: German, Applegate, Hansen, Wyatt,

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

3 Public Comments: none

4. Requests from the Community: None

5. Public Hearings:

A. Motion made by German and seconded by Wyatt to open public hearing for building permit for Heather Little, 309 W. Market fence at 6:02 p.m.

AYES: Applegate, Wyatt, German, Hansen

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

No one was present and no written comments

B. Motion made by German and seconded by Hansen to close public hearing for building permit for Heather Little, 309 W. Market fence at 6:03 p.m.

AYES: German, Wyatt, Hansen, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Motion made by German and seconded by Hansen to approve building permit for Heather Little, 309 W. Market, fence.

AYES: Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

D. Motion made by German and seconded by Hansen to open public hearing for sale of alley located in block 5 Snell's addition to Justin Stout at 6:06 p.m.

AYES: Wyatt, Applegate, German, Hansen

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

E. Motion made by German and seconded by Hansen to close public hearing for sale of alley located in block 5 Snell's addition to Justin Stout at 6:07 p.m.

AYES: Hansen, Applegate, Wyatt, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

6. Resolutions and Motions:

A. Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by German to set public hearing for building permit for Tye Burch, 304 E. South St for July 21st at 6:00 p.m.

AYES: Wyatt, Applegate, Hansen, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

B. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to approve Stephens Memorial Animal shelter contract for FY21-22 in the amount of \$4747.60.

AYES: Hansen, Applegate, German, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by German to not approve building permit for Cody Green, 106 W. Cary, fence. This property will need surveyed and a quit claim deed from attorney completed before it can be approved.

AYES: Applegate, German, Hansen, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

D. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by Wyatt to not approve resending the building setback for Matt & Megan Boender for carport and porch building permit.

AYES: Wyatt, Hansen, Applegate, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

E. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to approve Resolution 070721 requesting funding American Rescue Plan.

AYES: German, Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

F. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to approve Resolution 070721A sale of alley to Justin Stout.

AYES: Wyatt, German, Applegate, Hansen

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

G. Motion made by German and seconded by Wyatt to approve a 6 month extension for building permit for Harold and Judy Silk, 202 N. Main, fence.

AYES: German, Wyatt, Applegate, Hansen

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

H. Discussion was held in regards to changing parking on Main and Market streets from angle to parallel parking. Due to safety issues and the size of the farm equipment, semi and vehicles it is harder to get through our downtown. It was also discussed to change the limits of parking on city streets from 48 hours to 24 hours.

I. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by German to approve moving forward with parallel parking on Main and Market streets. We will hold a public hearing and first reading of the ordinance at the August 4th meeting.

AYES: German, Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

7. Ordinances: None

8. Department Reports

A. Water Report- none

B. Sewer Report-none

C. Street Report- none

D. Park Report – Hansen asked about turning on the water fountain at the park or putting in a water bottle filling station. Per Mayor Long it was off due to COVID however since people are asking we will turn it back on and also possibly look into adding a water bottle filling station with some of the playground donations.

E. Police Report- on table, Kevin completed his defibulator and CPR training, taking an online class for explicit bias and de-escalation training.

F. Mahaska Sheriff Report-County fair coming up always busy, Thefts and burglaries in the county tend to be down, drugs and mental commitments are up. Training a new group of reserve deputies this fall, helping Poweshiek County with missing juvenile.

G. Cemetery Report- fixing stones

H. City Clerk Report- American Rescue Act webinars and paperwork, debt obligation report

I. City Attorney Report –none

J. Fire Department Report- none

K. Library Report- insect program in the park on July 8th.

9. Departmental Requests:

A. Playground committee- checks received from George Daly in the amount of \$10,000, proline \$1000, N M Honor Society \$301.00. The fence around the seeding has to be removed per the insurance company so that will be removed tomorrow.

10. City council Information:

A. Landfill 28E agreement report- no change

11. Mayor Information:

A. EMA/ 911- July 27th meeting

12. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by Hansen to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor declared said motion approved.

Lisa Munn, CMC
Certified City Clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor