

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday July 20, 2022**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday July 20, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Long and the following members answering roll call: Justin Stout, Tom German, Ben Hansen, Larry Applegate and Ron Wyatt. Others in attendance were Dustin Hite, Michelle Sampson, Angela Livezey, Sherrill Strobel, Jim VanderBeek, Brett Morris, Josh Crouse, Kevin Lamberson, and Lisa Munn.

**1. Roll Call answered by:** Stout, German, Applegate, Hansen, Wyatt

**2. Consent Agenda:**

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

7/06/2022 minutes

7/20/2022 agenda

7/20/2022 distributions pending

**AYES:** German, Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate, Stout

**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 Stout to open public hearing for building permit for Larry & Rosemary Boggs, fence; Ryan Groom, garage addition, Jeff Nienkerk, shed at 6:02 p.m.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Wyatt, Hansen, Stout

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**B.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to close public hearing for building permit for Larry & Rosemary Boggs, fence; Ryan Groom, garage addition, Jeff Nienkerk, shed at 6:03 p.m.

**AYES:** Wyatt, Hansen, German, Applegate, Stout

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**C.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to approve the building permit for Larry & Rosemary Boggs, 502 N. Lincoln St, fence.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**D.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by German to approve building permit for Ryan Groom, garage addition, 310 N. Park Ave.

**AYES:** Hansen, Stout, Applegate, Wyatt, German

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**E.** Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by Stout to approve the building permit for Jeff Nienkerk, 305 E. High St, shed.

**AYES:** German, Wyatt, Applegate, Stout, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

## **6. Resolutions and Motions**

**A.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to approve setting public hearing for building permits for Chloe & Matt Fowler, 208 E South St, fence for August 3rd at 6:00 p.m.

**AYES:** Hansen, Applegate, German, Wyatt, Stout

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**B.** Discussion of Ordinance 2022-002 amending UTV/ATV ordinance.

Dustin Hite, city attorney was present and said the cities can not charge a fee for a UTV/ATV to be ridden on city streets with the new law, The age was changed from 16-18, state imposed same insurance as car so that would be \$20,000. Wyatt stated that ATV don't have the safety that UTV's do. Stout stated that there were some responsible ATV drivers who would like to be able to ride in town. The law states that the UTV/ATV must have two working headlights, one on each side of the front, tail and Brake light, horn and rear view mirror. Since the law did not change for the golf carts we will continue with the same requirements, permits, and inspections for golf carts at this time.

**C.** Motion made by Stout and seconded by German to approve revising the Ordinance 2022-002 allowing ATV/UTV with the changes made by Dustin Hite.

**AYES:** Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate, Stout, German

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**D.** Motion made by German and seconded by Wyatt to not approve doing an inspection and issuing a permit for UTV/ATV with no charge.

**AYES:** Wyatt, Stout, German, Hansen, Applegate

**NAYES:** No

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**E.** Discussion of Prairie Village-

Wyatt said he had talked to Kody Smith from the Little League and they were not interested in creating more ball diamonds at Prairie Village, Stew Timm had also spoke to Jeff and Lisa and stated the same thing they do not think there is enough interest and are unable to find someone to write a 501C3 so they are not going to pursue this and have no interest in the city holding the ground for them.

The exchange of this property with Zack VanderBeek for the uptown lot was discussed and this would give us an opportunity for uptown parking.

VanderBeeks had Michelle Purdum give them a realtor estimate of value for their property. Jim said the building on the property was reskinned, roof, steel ceiling, insulated and per Jason at Proline to replace that building would cost approximately \$85,000. Ben Hansen and Tom German will meet with a realtor to receive an estimate of value for Prairie Village. After receiving values prices will be discussed of properties.

- F. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to approve looking into two realtors estimate of values to proceed with the possible exchange of Prairie Village with Zack VanderBeek for lot at 109 E. Maple St.

**AYES:** Applegate, German, Stout, Hansen, Wyatt

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- G. Motion made by German and seconded by Wyatt to approve having property at 306 S. Park surveyed for road with Garden & Associates.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Wyatt, Stout, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- H. Motion made by Stout and seconded by Wyatt to approve Resolution 072022 raising sewer rates 5%.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- I. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by German to approve contract for Stephens Memorial Animal Shelter for FY2023 in the amount of \$4747.60.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- J. Discussion regarding sharing a city officer with North Mahaska Schools-

Angela Livezey and members of the school board; Michelle Sampson, Sherrill Strobel, and Brett Morris were present also. Angela brought in a copy of the 28E agreement that she had presented to the attorney. Tom German stated that he spoke to Lynnville Sully and they had a grant for the government to pay for the 1<sup>st</sup> three years salary and the officer worked 40-48 hours a week. German stated that the school sits in the county so the resource officer should be from the county. Wyatt said that since the school is in the county it should be a sheriff deputy as the school resource officer. Kevin said that he would like to see both entities happy with the agreements. Normally it would take longer than 8 hours a week for calls. Kevin stated if the city had two full time officers available then one could do the 8 hours at the school plus more if needed. A lot of the cities calls are during the evening in town and Kevin doesn't want to see the city have more problems if he is putting in 8 hours at the school and shortening his city night working hours. He also said possibly we should look at annexing that area and then it would be in the city. Angela said that she just wants our students to be safe and also have a good relationship between our police officers and the students. The school resource officer would be an employee of the city therefore the city would be responsible for the workman's comp insurance if there would happen to be a claim. The grant from the government would be \$15,000 and the school would make up the

difference to pay for 20% of the officer's wages and benefits. This would be based on 8 hours per week.

Brett Morris said he thinks it would be a good opportunity and definitely student safety is a primary concern with every school district. He sees this in Ottumwa also.

Justin Stout stated that maybe we need to do some more looking into the city budget for hiring a second full time officer or even a part time officer at this time to see if we can find a way to make this work.

**K.** Motion made by Stout and seconded by German to table proceeding with sharing a city officer with North Mahaska School and 28E Agreement. Ben and Ron will be the committee to look into how to hire a second officer.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**L.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by German to approve Resolution 072022A salary increase for library assistant. Approved to retro back to July 1, 2022.

**AYES:** Hansen, Wyatt, German, Stout, Applegate

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**M.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to approve bid from Stacia's painting in the amount of \$950.00 to paint interior of city hall. Other bid from Team Midwest in the amount of \$2400.00.

**AYES:** German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**7. Ordinances: None**

**8. Department Reports**

**A. Water Report-** boring a 6" water line down E. South St.

**B. Sewer Report-**electrician has aerator side wired so working on installing aerators, Dursky sent letter regarding two citizens sewer lines to be separated

**C. Street Report-** Main and E Market St are being sandblasted and painted for parallel parking.

**D. Park Report** –playground equipment will be delivered tomorrow, supposed to be installed by Boland Recreation next week.

**E. Police Report-** in packets, Kevin helped the city guys with cleaning up sandblasting.

**F. Mahaska Sheriff Report-**no one present

**G. Cemetery Report-** Lisa talked to GWorks in regards to cemetery program and delay

**H. City Clerk Report-** SFR and AFR report are ready to begin

**I. City Attorney Report** – Dustin reported one of the nuisance properties we might have a way to resolve.

**J. Fire Department Report-** Josh reported air conditioner parts ordered, Mutual aid with Oskaloosa for DFS fire.

**K. Library Report-** on table

**9. Departmental Requests: None**

**10. City council Information:**

A. Ben Hansen- need to look into a different street sweeper.

**11. Mayor Information:**

A. Jamey sent a new 28E agreement for FY2023 we will need to put this on the next agenda for approval.

**12. Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Hansen and seconded by German to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. All in favor, Meeting adjourned.

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Lisa Munn, CMC  
Certified City Clerk

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Jeff Long  
Mayor