

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday August 3, 2022**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday August 3, 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 Jamey Robinson, Zack and Brittany VanderBeek, Jim VanderBeek, Stacie Cameron, Russ VanRenterghem, 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.

7/20/2022 minutes

8/03/2022 agenda

8/03/2022 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 Wyatt to open public hearing for building permit for Chloe & Matt Fowler, 208 E. South, fence at 6:01 p.m.

AYES: German, Applegate, Wyatt, Hansen, Stout

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

It was decided that Ben Hansen would use the cities metal detector and try to find the property markers since we had denied the building permit for Trent Fleener next door due to no property markers or survey.

B. Motion made by German and seconded by Stout to close public hearing for building permit for Chloe & Matt Fowler, 208 E. South, fence 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 table the building permit for Chloe & Matt Fowler, 208 E. South, fence.

AYES: German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

6. Resolutions and Motions

- A.** Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by German to approve setting public hearing for building permits for Carrie Kline, 111 S. Main, shed; Julie Hoksbergen, 303 E. South St, shed for August 17th at 6:00 p.m.

AYES: Hansen, Applegate, German, Wyatt, Stout

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- B.** Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to approve accepting Joe Goemaat's resignation as police officer for New Sharon effective August 28, 2022. Joe will pay back the two years remaining on his contract for cost of the academy.

AYES: Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate, Stout, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Jamey Robinson was present and explained the 28E agreement for the EMA. They are still in litigation in regards to the county and the commission. In the 28E agreement it states if the commission is successful in that litigation and obtains an order requiring the county to reimburse the levy, the commission will return any money paid by the city. This is for the EMA. We will be receiving a correct 911 bill to be paid which is separate from the amount of the 28E.

D. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Wyatt to approve 28E agreement with Mahaska County EMA for FY2023.

AYES: Wyatt, Stout, German, Hansen, Applegate

NAYES: No

ABSTENTIONS: None

- E.** Discussion of Prairie Village-

Ben said we are still waiting on other numbers from the Realtor. Legacy Realtor said \$50,000-\$52,500 for Prairie Village and the same realtor said VanderBeek lot was \$60,000-\$65,000.

Tom and Justin met with Sheila Densbergen but have not received numbers yet however, they said she won't be far off from these figures.

Tom and Ben talked to Zack and he is not interested in us writing a check to even out. There are some items he would like us to provide as services rendered not to exceed the \$10,000 difference. Zack would like to keep some items in the building on the lot until his new building is built. He would like us to move the parking bumpers, pile up rock, water shut off, electrical shut off, make sure where sewer is and move if needed. We need to question Mitch Messerli and MRW to see if they can tell us where sewer runs across the property. Also we will move the playground equipment to our property closer to shelter house.

- F.** Motion made by Stout and seconded by Hansen to approve exchange of Prairie Village and services rendered not to exceed \$10,000 with Zack VanderBeek for lot at 109 E. Maple St.

AYES: Applegate, German, Stout, Hansen, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

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

Russ stated that he had talked to Angela and let her know that due to his budget and staffing issues the Mahaska Sheriff's department would not be able to do this for this budget year but would like to discuss it with her in December regarding the next budget and school year. Council discussed that with Joe resigning the city does not have the manpower to do this at this time. We can not have a new officer hired in time for this school year.

K. Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by German to not approve proceeding with sharing a city officer with North Mahaska School and 28E Agreement.

AYES: German, Applegate, Stout, Wyatt, Hansen

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

7. Ordinances:

A. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by German to approve first reading of Ordinance 2022-002 Amending UTV/ATV ordinance.

AYES: Applegate, Stout, Hansen, German, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

B. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by German to approve waiving second and third reading of Ordinance 2022-002 amending UTV/ATV ordinance.

AYES: German, Hansen, Wyatt, Applegate, Stout

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

8. Department Reports

A. Water Report- none

B. Sewer Report-none

C. Street Report- The Main and Market St. downtown blocks are all painted for the new parallel parking.

D. Park Report- inclusive equipment is installed, setting benches and water fountain/bottle refill station tomorrow

E. Police Report- on table,

F. Mahaska Sheriff Report-Russ said they are short jail staff both full and part time. Supervisors met and increased pay for this position, also instead of 5 years to top out on pay it will be 3 years. Finished the county fair went well. They will be starting youth watch at the school in about 3 weeks. Had a farm accident call last Friday where the farmer lost his life.

G. Cemetery Report- training for new cemetery software will be on Monday for Larry, Ron and Lisa.

H. City Clerk Report- SRF training will be in person in Oskaloosa for Brittany in Sept and Lisa will take the training on line in the office. Working on webinars for infrastructure grant for Mulberry St.

I. City Attorney Report – none

J. Fire Department Report- air conditioner fixed

K. Library Report- Stacie gave report, \$415.00 donations from Ed Davis memorial, state reports completed. Other information on the sheet for council to read.

9. Departmental Requests:

A. Police Department- discussion in regards to hiring a new police officer. Kevin said we need to look at what we are willing to pay. How many hours and what can we afford in the budget to pay? It was asked if we could get something in the paper soon. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Also, the finance committee which is Tom and Larry will meet to discuss wage and hours for new officer.

10. City council Information: None

11. Mayor Information: None

12. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by Wyatt to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. All in favor, Meeting adjourned.

Lisa Munn, CMC
Certified City Clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor