

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday April 1, 2020**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session at city hall, Wednesday March 18, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Long and the following members answering roll call: Tom German, Leslie VanWyk, Ron Wyatt, Larry Applegate, and Lindsey Phillips. Others in attendance were RD Keep, Josh Crouse, Guy Chaney(by telephone), Kevin Lamberson and Lisa Munn.

Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: German, VanWyk, Wyatt, Applegate, Phillips

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

03/18/20 minutes
04/01/2020 agenda
04/01/2020 distributions pending

AYES: German, VanWyk, Applegate, Wyatt, Phillips

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

1. Public Comments:

Guy Chaney- addressed the council by speaker phone in regards to the termination of lease for Lot 12 Prairie Village. Guy asked that the council drop the eviction and must move past this. Mayor Long stated thanks for your comments and that it is in the hands of the attorney and he would be handling it.

2. Requests from the Community: None

3. Public Hearings:

A. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Wyatt to open public hearing on building permits for Grady Lewis, 209 E. market, lean to on shed; Aaron Schock, 504 E. Walnut, shed; Diane Klinker, 101 W. South St, shed at 6:09 p.m.

AYES: VanWyk, Applegate, Phillips, German, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

No one was present for the public hearing and no written comments

B. Motion made by German and seconded by VanWyk to close public hearing on building permits for Grady Lewis, 209 E. market, lean to on shed; Aaron Schock, 504 E. Walnut, shed; Diane Klinker, 101 W. South St, shed at 6:10 p.m.

AYES: Wyatt, German, Phillips, Applegate, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Motion made by German and seconded by VanWyk to approve building permit for Grady Lewis, 209 E. Market, lean to on shed.

AYES: Phillips, VanWyk, Wyatt, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- D. Motion made by Phillips and seconded by Wyatt to approve building permit for Aaron Schock, 504 E. Walnut, shed.

AYES: Applegate, German, Wyatt, VanWyk, Phillips

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- E. Motion made by Phillips and seconded by VanWyk to approve building permit for Diane Klinker, 101 W. South St, shed.

AYES: Wyatt, VanWyk, Phillips, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

4. **Resolutions and motions:**

- A. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Wyatt to waive the public hearing for building permits for Matt & Chloe Fowler, 208 E. South St, garage; Jon Kasworm, 205 S. Pearl, shed due to not holding the April 15th meeting due to the COVID19 predictions of that time being during the peak of the virus.

AYES: VanWyk, Wyatt, German, Applegate, Phillips

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- B. Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by Phillips to approve building permit for Matt & Chloe Fowler, 208 E. South, garage.

AYES: Applegate, Phillips, VanWyk, German, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- C. Motion made by Phillips and seconded by VanWyk to approve building permit for Jon Kasworm, 205 S. Pearl, shed.

AYES: Phillips, Applegate, German, Wyatt, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- D. Josh Crouse stated the hazmat gas monitor needs to be replaced. This is about 7-8 years old and EMA has done the upkeep and they have reached out for help with the cost of replacing the monitor. The fire department uses this for gas leaks. Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by VanWyk to approve entering a 50% cost share purchase with EMA to replace the hazmat monitor at \$1006.00.

AYES: Wyatt, Phillips, VanWyk, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- E. Josh Crouse stated that the fire department was putting in a wall with an office in part of the previous weight room. There will be no electrical added just converting part to an office. He stated that this will be paid by the Association.

- F. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to approve allowing the fire department to convert weight room into an office.

AYES: Phillips, Applegate, German, Wyatt, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- G. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by German to approve change to insurance in regards to 302 S. Park from replacement value to actual cash value for a savings of \$275.00 annually.

AYES: Wyatt, Phillips, VanWyk, Applegate, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- H. Discussion held for emergency procedures for employees during COVID19. Mayor will sign a proclamation for emergency and there will be no April 15th council meeting. Next meeting will be held on May 6th and it will be determined closer to that time if we need to have a virtual meeting in the place of a regular meeting. Employees will be paid as stated in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. Employees are also eligible for unemployment under the new unemployment laws during COVID-19.

- I. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by German to approve bid for grinding for yard waste from DeBoef in amount of \$3500.00.

AYES: Applegate, VanWyk, Phillips, German, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Ordinances: None

Department Reports

- a. **Water Report-** none
- b. **Sewer Report-** DNR audit was this week.
- c. **Street Report-** none
- d. **Police Report-** Friday weather permitting Joe should have completed the academy. We are hoping to receive some reimbursement for the month for room and board at least.
- e. **Mahaska Sheriff Report-** None
- f. **Cemetery Report-**none
- g. **City Clerk Report-** City Park closed and playground equip taped off., webinar in regards to virtual meetings.
- g. **City Attorney Report** None
- h. **Fire Department Report-** locked station to members only, EMA, Oskaloosa fire has 7 EMTS on staff, changed living requirements to 15 mile radius from station hoping for more volunteers.
- i. **Library Board-** report on table of usage.

10. Departmental Requests:

11. City council Information-

12. Mayor Information:

Mayor will sign an emergency resolution providing for minimal staffing and pay during the pandemic. There will be no April 15th council meeting so the next meeting will be held on May 6th. Mayor will sign time sensitive payments and they will be mailed and approved at the May meeting all others will be paid during the May meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by Wyatt to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor Long declared said motion approved.

Lisa Munn, CMC
Certified Municipal City clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor