

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday June 17, 2020**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday June 17, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Long and the following members answering roll call: Leslie VanWyk, Ron Wyatt, Tom German, Lindsey Phillips, and Larry Applegate. Others in attendance were Jeff Long, Bill & Jana Freeborn, Alan & Elizabeth Robinson, Craig Deming, Hailey Hipschen, Connie & Cameron Nelson, Grady Lewis, Russ VanRenterghem, Josh Crouse, Kevin Lamberson and Lisa Munn.

Roll Call answered by:

**Ayes:** German, VanWyk, Wyatt, Applegate, Phillips

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

06/03/20 minutes  
06/17/2020 agenda  
06/17/2020 distributions pending

**AYES:** German, VanWyk, Applegate, Wyatt, Phillips

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**1. Public Comments:**

- A. Hailey Hipschen-** She asked that we quit sounding the noon siren as it gives her migraines. She has emailed fire chief and EMA and they said that the city council could make that decision. Since this was not on the agenda no action could be taken but we will put it on the next agenda to discuss.
- B. Cameron Nelson-** requested an extension on the lease termination for lot 6 at Prairie Village. He stated that they were served with a 60 day notice and that they would like an additional 4 month extension to the lease. Since this was not on the agenda it will be on the next agenda in regards to consider a motion to allow an extension for lot 6.
- C. Jana Freeborn-** presented the council with a petition signed by many asking for a new ordinance to allow UTV's to be allowed on the city streets. She stated that Montezuma has this ordinance and they have not had any problems with people following the rules. You are not allowed to ride on the state highways. You can cross the highway but not ride with the traffic on the highway. Russ said that Mahaska County does have an ordinance allowing on the county roads and the key is following the rules. It was discussed to have bright colored city registration stickers and the city would charge for these and when you bought them you had to your driver's license and a copy of your insurance for the city. The city can put their rules in an ordinance. This would only pertain to UTV and not any ATV's or 3 wheelers. Leslie VanWyk said her main concerns would be safety and also enforcement of the laws in regards to this. Kevin Lamberson stated that he didn't see any major problems but when abused it would need to be taken care of. Only licensed drivers would be allowed to drive the UTV's on the city streets. This will be on the next agenda to consider a motion to write an ordinance in regards to UTV's.

**2. Requests from the Community: None**

**3. Public Hearings:**

- A.** Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by VanWyk to open public hearings for building permits for: Justin & Lindsey Phillips, 510 N. Park, fence; Trent Fleener, 206 E. South, deck at 6:31 p.m.

**AYES:** Wyatt, German, Phillips, VanWyk, Applegate

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**No one was present or no written comments for public hearing.**

- B.** Motion made by German and seconded by VanWyk to close public hearings for building permits for: Justin & Lindsey Phillips, 510 N. Park, fence; Trent Fleener, 206 E. South, deck at 6:32 p.m.

**AYES:** VanWyk, Wyatt, Applegate, Phillips, German

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- C.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Wyatt to approve building permit for Justin & Lindsey Phillips, 510 N. Park, fence

**AYES:** Applegate, VanWyk, German, Wyatt

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** Phillips

- D.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to approve building permit for Trent Fleener, 206 E. South, deck

**AYES:** Applegate, Wyatt, VanWyk, German, Phillips

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**4. Resolutions and motions:**

- A.** Motion made by Phillips and seconded by Wyatt to set public hearing for building permits for: Tammy Rivera, 206 S. Main, garage, steps on deck; Ben & Tara Hansen, 210 E. Depot, fence and driveway addition for July 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**AYES:** Applegate, Phillips, VanWyk, German, Wyatt

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- B.** Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by Applegate to approve tobacco license for Caseys.

**AYES:** Phillips, Applegate, VanWyk, Wyatt

**NAYES:** German

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- C.** Motion made by German and seconded by VanWyk to approve tobacco license for Pronto.

**AYES:** Applegate, Phillips, Wyatt, VanWyk, German

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- D.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to approve tobacco license for East Market Grocery.

**AYES:** VanWyk, Phillips, Wyatt, German, Applegate

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- E.** Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by Phillips to approve Resolution 061720 pay increase for part time police officer.

**AYES:** VanWyk, Wyatt, German, Phillips, Applegate

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- F. Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by VanWyk to approve bid from Southern Iowa Technologies for police department in the amount of \$1645.00.

**AYES:** Wyatt, German, Applegate, VanWyk, Phillips

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- G. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by Wyatt to approve bid from Southern Iowa Technology for street department in the amount of \$1385.00.

**AYES:** Phillips, VanWyk, Wyatt, Applegate, German

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- H. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Phillips to approve fire department adding addition to building and also taking out grass and putting in cement for parking.

**AYES:** Applegate, VanWyk, German, Wyatt, Phillips

**NAYES:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

- I. Discussion from committee in regards to Prairie Village-

Lindsey Phillips said that her and Ron Wyatt met on Friday for a meeting in regards to Prairie Village. Lindsey said that Dustin recommends we get a realtor for a land evaluation. The committee has been approached to have the library possibly move there. They would have to have some fundraisers for the remodel. In regards to looking for a realtor do we want someone with MS exposure in other areas of the state? The committee is looking into the future of the town. The only decision that has been made at this time is to close Prairie Village Mobile Home park and the 60 day termination notices have been served. Leslie VanWyk would like to have a land evaluation done. The committee will be getting a couple of evaluations. They will bring more information to the next council meeting.

- J. **Ordinances:** None

#### **Department Reports**

a. **Water Report-**

b. **Sewer Report-**

c. **Street Report-**

d. **Police Report-** switch is bad on radio in squad car will need fixed

e. **Mahaska Sheriff Report-** Russ has been given official notice a deputy is retiring in August will be hiring someone.

f. **Cemetery Report-**

g. **City Clerk Report-** looking at opening city hall June 22<sup>nd</sup> reduced hours for public, closing the fiscal year.

g. **City Attorney Report** None

h. **Fire Department Report-** crew came home from Michigan on June 6<sup>th</sup> they helped 9 families

i. **Library Board-** ordered time clock

#### **10. Departmental Requests:**

#### **11. City council Information-**

A. Lindsey Phillip said they painted the stencils on the city park sidewalks and would like to be able to use a more permanent paint instead of one that washes off each year.

#### **12. Mayor Information:**

#### **Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by VanWyk to adjourn at 7:12 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor Long declared said motion approved.

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Lisa Munn, CMC  
Certified Municipal City clerk

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Jeff Long  
Mayor