

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
UTV ORDINANCE WORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY JULY 8, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met with for a work session regarding writing a UTV, and golf cart ordinance at the city hall on Wednesday July 8 @ 6:00 p.m. with the following members answering roll call: Jeff Long, Larry Applegate, Tom German, Ron Wyatt, Leslie VanWyk, Lindsey Phillips. Others in attendance were Mayor Long, Bill & Jana Freeborn, Kevin Lamberson and Lisa Munn.

Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: Phillips, German, Wyatt, VanWyk, Applegate

1. Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by German to approve the 7/8/20 agenda.

AYES: Phillips, Wyatt, Applegate, VanWyk, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

2. Discussion was held in regards to writing a new golf cart ordinance. Dianna put together a spread sheet involving other city ordinances for both golf carts and UTV's. They are looking at making citizens pay for a permit to allow riding a golf cart, age of 16 possessing a valid Iowa operator's license. Cost of permit would be \$25.00 non-refundable, non-prorated permit. This permit would run from January 1st through December 31st each year. You would need to fill out the permit application and it would need to have stickers on both left and right sides of the vehicles clearly visible, slow moving sign, flag. Riders would not exceed the number of permanent seats intended for passengers by the manufacturer. Fines would be first offense- misdemeanor fine of \$100.00 and revocation of permit for 2 months; second in a 12 month period would be misdemeanor fine of \$200.00 and revocation of permit for 2 years; third would be fine of \$300.00 and revocation of permit permanently. Per the state law golf carts are not allowed to drive on hwy 146, 102, 63, 163. These are also referred to as North and South Main Street, and East and West Market Streets. Vehicles may cross the highways but not drive on these streets. Hours of operation will be from sunrise to sunset only.
3. Discussion was held in regards to writing a new ATV, UTV ordinance. Must discussion was held in regards to including ATV as well as UTV. Age of 18 possessing a valid Iowa operators license. Permit cost will be \$25.00 non-refundable, non-prorated permit. This permit will run from January 1st through December 31st each year. You will need to fill out the permit application and it would need to have stickers on both left and right sides of the vehicles clearly visible, slow moving sign and flag. It was decided that we would include ATV with 185 cc at least and tires of not less than 4 and not more than 8 low pressure tires. Between 900 lbs and 1999 lbs, with a cargo or dump box, steering wheel, tail light, brake light, muffler, adequate exhaust, adequate brakes to stop and hold the ATV, UTV in a stopped position, 2 headlights, seat belts or similar device, if equipped by manufacturer, max width of 65 inches and seating for at least 2 occupants. Must have a DNR registered vehicle sticker and bring registration in to get the permit. Must carry a proof of owner/operator liability insurance (minimum limit of \$500,000 coverage) covering operation of UTV's and ATV's on city streets.

Vehicle will be checked by the New Sharon police department before signing to allow permit to be sure it complies with all regulation on the ordinance. UTV and ATV's are not allowed on the state highways per the state law which includes hwy 146, 102, 63 and 163. These are also referred to as North and South Main Street, and East and West Market Streets. Vehicles may cross the highways but not drive on these streets. Riders not to exceed the number of permanent seats intended for passengers by the manufacturer. Fines would be first offense-misdemeanor fine of \$100.00 and revocation of permit for 2 months; second in a 12 month period would be misdemeanor

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UTV and ATV shall not be operated upon sidewalks except in the case of blading snow. UTV and ATV shall not be operated upon that portion of the street right of way between the curb or edge of street paving and the sidewalk, referred to as "the parking".

Parks- UTV and ATV shall not be operated within city parks and other land owned by the city, unless for a special event authorized by the City council and the operator possesses a valid permit issued by the City.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by Wyatt to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. All in favor, motion approved.

Lisa Munn, CMC
Certified Municipal City clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor