

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday December 16, 2020**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday December 02, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Pro-Term Applegate and the following members answering roll call: Tom German, Ron Wyatt, Lindsey Phillips and Leslie Van Wyk in person. City Clerk Lisa Munn participated by Zoom meeting. Others in attendance were Russ VanRentghem, Kevin Lamberson, Deputy City Clerk Dianna Klinker.

1. Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: Applegate, VanWyk, Phillip, German, Wyatt.

2. Consent Agenda:

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

12/02/2020 minutes

12/04/2020 minutes

12/016/2020 agenda

12/16/2020 distributions pending

AYES: German, VanWyk, Applegate, Wyatt, Phillips

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

3. Public Comments: None

4. Requests from the Community: None

5. Public Hearings: None

6. Resolutions and Motions:

A. Discuss the inspection of 302 S. Park Building. The inspection found rot under the building. The buyer is asking for a \$3000.00 concession, making the sale price \$77,000.00. The City Attorney recommended that the Council not accept the offer and Mayor Long concurred. German suggested the Council counter with a \$2000.00 concession, lowering the price to \$78,000.00. The Council was receptive to this. Wyatt will talk to the realtor. There will be a special meeting Friday, December 18th at 6:00 at the City Hall to further address this issue.

B. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to counter with an offer of \$2000.00 concession, lowering the price to \$78,000.00 in the sale of 302 S. Park St.

AYES: VanWyk, Wyatt, German, Applegate, Phillips

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Wyatt to approve Windstream to put cable south on Pine Street and South Street

AYES: Wyatt, German, VanWyk, Phillips, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

D. Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by German to approve ordering swings for the new playground with fundraising money.

AYES: Applegate, Phillips, Wyatt, German, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

7. Ordinances: None

8. Department Reports

A. Water Report- none

B. Sewer Report- none

C. Street Report- none

D. Police Report- New tires on Tahoe, received \$30,000 reimbursement from Cares Act Grant

E. Mahaska Sheriff Report- Working on budget, mental health commitments increasing

F. Cemetery Report- 4 lots sold, VerSteeg memorial benches to be placed uptown and Prairie Knolls

G. City Clerk Report- Working on end of year and budget

H. City Attorney Report – none

I. Fire Department Report- none

J. Library Board- Dianna reported that the Board of Trustees have reviewed and approved the Library Policies, the new Purchasing Procedures, the 2021 Calendar, and the FY2022 Budget.

9. Departmental Requests:

10. City council Information:

VanWyk reported: That a department head would like to be able to give feedback on their budget. A letter is being sent to possible donors of the City Park Renovation.

Fencing has been priced for the City Park. Prefer the metal for looks, wear and tear, and ability to hang the sensory panels on it. Working on Santa Parade to be on Christmas Eve – working with the Fire Department.

Phillips reported: Attended MCARD meeting via Zoom. She shared some of the happening occurring in New Sharon. MCARD is available to help with finding grants and reading grants.

German reported: He attended the Waste Management Commission meeting. They are discussing the 28E agreement with Oskaloosa and the number of representatives for each entity.

Budget Ideas: No attending meetings, conferences, or training (excluding that needed for accreditation) for one year for all Departments, cutting back on contract cleaning – departments clean their areas, cutting back on overtime. The Budget committee needs to meet the first part of next month.

There has been one bid on 501 N Elm Street.

12. Mayor Information: None

13. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by Wyatt to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor Long declared said motion approved.

Dianna Klinker
Deputy City Clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor