

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday March 17, 2021**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday March 17, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Long and the following members answering roll call: Tom German, Ron Wyatt, Larry Applegate, Leslie Van Wyk. Others in attendance were Tina Van't Sant, Erin DeCook, Craig Fawcett, Bob Fuller, Russ VanRenterghem, Kevin Lamberson, Doug Readshaw and Lisa Munn. Bryan Shutts by zoom, Clay Beyer arrived later.

1. Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: VanWyk, German, Wyatt, Applegate

2. Consent Agenda:

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

3/03/2021 minutes

3/17/2021 agenda

3/17/2021 distributions pending

AYES: German, Applegate, VanWyk, Wyatt,

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 VanWyk to open public hearing for FY2022 budget at 6:01 p.m.

AYES: Applegate, German, Wyatt, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

No one was present and no written comments

B. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to close public hearing for FY2022 at 6:03 p.m.

AYES: VanWyk, Wyatt, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

6. Resolutions and Motions:

A. Bryan Shutts to discuss his building permit for fence with no survey. Brian said that he could not afford both a survey and a fence. Bob Fuller stated that one marker was not enough and it looks like the existing fence is on the property line. Tom German stated that since this was his parent's house he knew there had been a survey done on the property at one time and the fence was installed on the property line. Council agreed that if the neighbor Bruce and Rhonda Wallace signed a letter approving the fence on the property line that they would approve his building permit without a survey. The letter would need to be to the city hall by March 31st so that it could be with the permit at the next meeting.

B. Motion was made by VanWyk and seconded by German to set public hearing for building permits for Al & Lynn Hodgeman, 208 N. Monroe, fence; Wendy Wolver, 602 S. Pine, handicap ramp, Bryan Shutts, 208 W. Cary Fence for April 7th at 6:00 p.m.

AYES: VanWyk, Wyatt, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Wyatt to approve Resolution 031721 approving the FY2022 budget.

AYES: Wyatt, German, VanWyk, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

D. Tina Van't Sant discussed the bids for the demolition at 105 S. Main. There were three bids turned in however one of the bids from Maple Valley in the amount of \$85,000 did not have the bond check with it so that bid needed to be discarded as incomplete; One of the bids was from Lansing Brother's construction in the amount of \$115,850 and that was a complete bid with the bond and turned in on time. The second bid was from Laursen Excavation and that bid was turned in on time with a cashier's check instead of a bond check. That bid was in the amount of \$118,000. Tina stated that the start date could be as early as May 15th however since the city has applied for the DNR grant and those are awarded in May that Lansing Brothers did say they could wait to hear if the City did receive this grant before the demolition. They can do some of the set up and be ready prior to that date.

E. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by German to approve the bid from Lansing Brothers Construction in the amount of \$115,850 for the building demolition at 105 S. Main.

AYES: Wyatt, German, VanWyk, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

F. Erin DeCook asked the council to consider closing the alley north of her property at 206 S. Washington. They are wanting to build a garage and use this for the

driveway. They had talked to the funeral home and they did not have a problem with this also Bokhoven's said they would be willing to purchase their share of the alley. Erin was told that the paperwork for the alley vacation and also a letter from the funeral home stating they did not want to purchase their portion would need to be filed at city hall before we could proceed with this.

- G.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to approve vacating alley north of 206 S. Washington St.

AYES: VanWyk, Wyatt, Applegate, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- H.** Craig Fawcett spoke in regards to the spring festival car show. Digs Rod Shop will be in charge of this for spring festival. They are part of the Iowa Street Rod Association and hopes to draw about 100 cars for the show.

- I.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by Wyatt to approve road closures for parade and Digs Rod Shop for car show for spring festival.

AYES: Wyatt, VanWyk, Applegate, German

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: Phillips

- J.** Motion made by Wyatt and seconded by German to approve purchasing a composite sampler for the sewer lagoon from GPM in the amount of \$3145.00.

AYES: VanWyk, German, Wyatt, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- K.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to approve putting in a new driveway for 302 S. Park off of S. Park.

AYES: Wyatt, German, Applegate, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- L.** Motion made by Applegate and seconded by Wyatt to approve Resolution 031721A transfer funds from general to employee benefit account.

AYES: Applegate, VanWyk, German, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- M.** Motion made by VanWyk and seconded by German to approve Resolution 031721B transfer CD's from Leighton State Bank to First State Bank New Sharon.

AYES: VanWyk, German, Wyatt, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

N. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by German to approve McGriff Insurance bill for FY2022.

AYES: VanWyk, German, Wyatt, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

O. Discussion held in regards to the Peterbilt truck. Tom German stated that he had driven the truck after it came back from Outer Limits and it is still not running good at all. He talked to Bill & Rays and a decent motor would be between \$13,000 and \$15,000 with hoses. He thinks we should look into getting a different truck. He suggests talking to VanderHaags or having someone come over and test the truck. After discussion it was decided to not put any more money into this truck but to start looking for a different truck.

7. Ordinances: None

8. Department Reports

A. Water Report- none

B. Sewer Report-none

C. Street Report-manhole repairs need to lift 6-7 manholes up

D. Park Report – swings are removed, equipment to be delivered week of March 29, installation moved to week of April 19th, received \$1000.00 grant for trees from Mid-American Energy.

E. Police Report- on table, Kevin said concrete for ½ of the pad at the police dept will be around \$3300.00 just concrete no labor or fill. 6” thick for equipment. That is if the city guys do the job. Does the council want another estimate from a company? Yes it was decided that we should.

F. Mahaska Sheriff Report-Russ stated they are working on opening up the law center. They hope to open jail visitations in April. Randy Poe retiring on April 27th they have hired Gary McClellan for his position.

G. Cemetery Report- set up mowing and spraying

H. City Clerk Report-bid opening meeting on Monday March 15th for 105 S. Main, moved some CD's to First State Bank, working on moving payroll

I. City Attorney Report –none

J. Fire Department Report- new fan on the rescue truck

K. Library Report- none

10. Departmental Requests:

A. Playground committee- Leslie handed out an update on fundraising. They are still \$14,000 short for phase 1. Volunteer work days are scheduled for April 24th and May 1st. Pea gravel bids will be on the next agenda for approval. Waiting on word from Cargill grant, Golden Goose grant, Mid- American Energy and MCCF grant. Still working on shrubbery pricing and volunteers.

11. City council Information:

A. Landfill 28E agreement report- Tom stated that they are going to remove the wording out of the contract for a one hauler system. No spring clean- up dates have been approved at this time.

12. Mayor Information:

A. Discussion of the 28E Agreement for Emergency Management- Jeff said that there would be a meeting on March 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Gateway Nazarene Church in Oskaloosa and asked for the council members to please attend if possible. They will be redoing the bylaws.

13. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by VanWyk to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor Long declared said motion approved.

Lisa Munn, CMC
Certified City Clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor