

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday January 15, 2020**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session at city hall, Wednesday January 15, 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, Lindsey Phillips and Larry Applegate. Others in attendance were RD Keep, Erin Edge, Dennis Bouma, Russ VanRenterghem, Kevin Lamberson, Clay Beyer and Lisa Munn.

Roll Call answered by:

Ayes: German, Phillips, VanWyk, Wyatt, Applegate

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

01/02/20 minutes
01/15/2020 agenda
01/15/2020 distributions pending

AYES: German, VanWyk, Applegate, Wyatt, Phillips

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

1. Public Comments:

A. Lindsey Phillips- stated that if no one steps up to be on the spring festival committee it will either be cut out completely or at the least a lot smaller than it was last year with fewer activities and likely no parade.

2. Requests from the Community: None

3. Public Hearings: None

4. Resolutions and motions:

A. Discussion held in regards to the sewer issue at Josh DeCook and Erin Edge's house at 206 S. Washington St. Erin stated that last Thursday she had sewer backing up in her basement. She called a plumber and there was 26' of the line that was hers. It had a small amount of tree roots but not enough for the problem. The plumber did a camera on the rest of the line and 80' out it was blocked in the main. Clay and Doug did go over and looked at the camera shot and it was in our sewer main. Clay stated tonight that this was our problem and that the manholes were overlaid with the street so that it would be spring before we can dig them out. He will put in root killer in Erins drains and also Bandstra's drains in the next couple of weeks. He stated that since this problem was in the main it would be our responsibility for the plumber bill.

B. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by German to approve payment in the amount of \$500.00 to VanDeWall Plumbing for the sewer bill for 206 S. Washington St.

AYES: Wyatt, VanWyk, Phillips, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. Discussion was held in regards to renting the farm ground north of town.

A. Lisa stated that the ground was listed for bids for a one year lease for the hay ground. We did not receive any bids after it was published for this ground. Lisa did talk to one person and they stated since this was used for crops it would need to be seeded down for hay and that would cost approximately 12-\$1500.00 and they did not want to put that much money into it for just a one year lease. They would rather have a three year lease.

- D. Motion made by German and seconded by Wyatt to approve a three year lease for the farm ground at \$200.00 per year.

AYES: Applegate, German, Phillips, Wyatt, VanWyk

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- E. Discussion held on the NSREDF application for D&K Collectibles for \$15,000 for a new roof.
- A. Lindsey Phillips asked where to look at what is grants and what is loans. Lisa had a worksheet showing the amount still left in this fund. Leslie VanWyk stated we need to keep track of what we give out since we do want to have some funding for new businesses wanting to start up in town. That would be where our economic growth would come.
- B. Dennis Bouma stated that he would like to keep the building in good repair and at his age he is limited in going to shows for more business but would like to keep his business going in town. He said that if he didn't put on a new roof that the building would just deteriorate.
- F. Motion made by Applegate and seconded by German to approve NSREDF application for D&K Collectibles in the amount of \$10,000 loan at 3.5% interest for 10 years and \$5,000 grant

AYES: VanWyk, Phillips, Wyatt, German, Applegate

NAYES: None

ASTENTIONS: None

- G. Motion made by German and seconded by VanWyk to approve liquor license for Scooters pending dram insurance.

AYES: Phillips, German, Applegate, VanWyk, Wyatt

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Ordinances: None

Department Reports

- a. **Water Report-** CDBG grant state monitoring Jan 21st.
- b. **Sewer Report-** Jack said that he is working on getting a \$25,000 deduction from Woodruff Construction for late fees.
- c. **Street Report-** Clay said the streets are ice covered and they are working on sanding each day
- d. **Police Report-** Joe is doing fine at the academy, he is driving with a county guy so we are only needing to pay mileage to Pella instead of Des Moines.
- e. **Cemetery Report-**regulations or cremation burials
- f. **City Clerk Report-** end of year reports, working on grants, W2's and 1099s, budget amendment, set date for employee evaluations
- g. **City Attorney Report** None
- h. **Fire Department Report-** working on grants
- i. **Library Board-** none

10. Departmental Requests:

11. City council Information-

12. Mayor Information:

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by German and seconded by Wyatt to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. All in favor, whereupon the Mayor Long declared said motion approved.

Lisa Munn, CMC
Certified Municipal City clerk

Jeff Long
Mayor