

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Monday October 6, 2025**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Monday October 6 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Thomas German and the following members answering roll call: Linda Steel, Christian Huffman, Keri Lamberson and Ben Hansen. Others in attendance were Steve Davis, Terri Menefee, Jerry and Judy Fynaardt, Russ VanRenterghem, June Williams, Doug Readshaw and Lisa Munn

1. Roll Call answered by: Lamberson, Hansen, Steel, and Huffman.

2. Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Huffman to approve the following consent agenda items.

09/15/2025 regular meeting minutes

10/06/2025 agenda

10/06/2025 distributions pending

Motion passed unanimously

3. Public Comments:

A. Steve Davis asked about the 700 block of S. Elm gravel road. He states he would like to see this road be maintained and kept up as a city street. He says that the connection from South Elm St to Oak Street is a 12" riser. This road is used by school traffic when the north gate to the school is closed and people don't realize that or if they want to bypass the traffic on S. Mulberry and Depot street.

Steve also asked why the minutes from the meetings are not posted sooner. The minute process was explained how they are posted in the Oskaloosa Herald the Saturday after the meeting and then on the city website after the next meeting when they are approved.

B. Terri Menefee- asked about the variance on her fence to be moved closer to the front of her property. Tom said they are staying with the variance that was approved by the zoning committee. A new variance was not granted.

4. Requests from the Community: None

5. Public Hearings: A public hearing opened at 6:15p.m. and closed at 6:16 p.m for building permits for Travis Dickey, 703 W. Maple, large shed; Walter & Diane Wright, 103 S. Winder St, addition to house, detached garage and deck.

6. Resolutions and Motions:

A. Building permit for Travis Dickey, 703 W. Maple, large shed died due to lack of motion.

B. Motion made by Lamberson and seconded by Steel to table building permits for Walter & Diane Wright, 103 S. Winder St, addition to house, detached garage and deck. Aaron Schock will contact Wright's to discuss setback and property markers. AYES: Steel, Huffman, Lamberson, Hansen. NAYS: None. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Huffman to set public hearing for building permit for Jerry/Judy Fynaardt, 710 S Main, handicap ramp; Peterson Motorsports, 202 E. Market St, two new sheds for October 20th at 6:00 p.m. AYES: Huffman, Steel, Hansen, Lamberson. NAYS: None. Motion passed unanimously

D. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Huffman to approve beginning construction of handicap ramp for Jerry/Judy Fynaardt, 710 S. Main, prior to public hearing with knowledge that if zoning committee comes back with any changes they may need to change the construction. AYES: Steel, Huffman, Lamberson, Hansen. NAYS: None. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Motion by Lamberson and seconded by Steel to approve fine for building permit for Sarah McGriff, 206 N. Monroe, garage and deck per zoning committee in the amount of \$100.00 per day from date signed application until date approved. 10 days so fine will be \$1000.00. AYES: Huffman, Steel, Hansen, Lamberson. NAYS: None. Motion passed unanimously.

F. Discuss mowing bill for Jesse and Amber Linder, 501 and 503 N. Elm St, ditches. Motion made by Steel and seconded by Lamberson to not cancel the \$327.00 bill for mowing the ditches. Will give another 30 days for payment before assessment to property. AYES: Steel, Lamberson. NAYS: Hansen, Huffman. Tie broken by mayor Tom German as an AYE.

G. Motion made by Huffman and seconded by Steel to approve moving forward with police station build and get a second concrete bid. Clay will talk to Pro-Line to see if work can begin this year or if this needs to wait until next year. NuMark can not begin until next year. AYES: Lamberson, Steel, Hansen, Huffman NAYS: None. Motion passed unanimously.

H. Motion made by Lamberson and seconded by Huffman to approve Resolution 100625 Annual financial Report. AYES: Lamberson, Huffman, Hansen, Steel. NAYS: None. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Discuss letter and ordinances for nuisances. Lisa told the process with the Ordinances for Weeds, mowing and junk nuisances. Ben said that he would like the council to receive an email regarding any letters sent out to citizens so that if they are asked about it they are aware this is happening. Other council agreed so that since it is Lisa's name on the letter even though she isn't making the decisions that they can be aware and take some of the complaints. It was discussed to put on the next agenda to change the Weeds and Mowing ordinance to eliminate the dates to send letters so that any time of the year if the weeds or grass are taller than the ordinance they must be mowed and taken care of.

7. Ordinances- none

8. Department Reports- The Council received the following reports:

A. Water Report-

B. Sewer Report -

C. Street Report –

D. Park Report

E. Police Report –

F. Cemetery Report –

G. City Clerk Report –

I. City Attorney Report -

J. Fire Department Report

K. Library Report

9. Departmental Requests-None

10. City council Information:

A. Huffman said that the zoning committee would like to add an additional page to the building permit application to find property markers, set backs prior to turning in the application.

11. Mayor Information

A. Tom signed the proclamation for Trick or Treating to be held in accordance with Ordinance 2019-004 to be held on Friday October 31st from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Steel and seconded by Huffman to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. All in favor, Meeting adjourned.

Lisa Munn, City Clerk

Thomas German, Mayor