

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Monday August 17, 2026**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Monday August 17th at 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Thomas German and the following members answering roll call: Steve Davis, Justin Stout, Christian Huffman. Others in attendance were Shea Greiner, Ben & Tara Hansen, June Williams, Kevin Lamberson, Russ VanRenterghem and Lisa Munn. Keri Lamberson arrived at 6:04 p.m. Linda Steel was absent.

1. Roll Call answered by: Huffman, Davis, Stout.

2. Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Stout and seconded by Davis to approve the following consent agenda items.

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8/17/2026 distributions pending

AYES: Stout, Davis, Huffman. NAYS: None

Motion passed unanimously

3. Public Comments: None

4. Requests from the Community: None

5. Public Hearings:

6. Resolutions and Motions:

A. Shea Greiner to discuss homes for Iowa, literacy walk, and grant from Farm Credit Services, city map. Next New Sharon business and development committee meeting will be September 2nd at 5:30 at coffee closet. Shea contacted 4 contractors only received 2. Tom talked to Mid-American Energy power pole so lines are not over house. Literacy walk cost \$50.00 to participate and all money goes to advertising and back into the event. Received farm credit services of \$15,000 for the new fire truck grant that Shea wrote. Community map is complete and Shea will send to Lisa to make copies to distribute to community members. Shea attended the housing committee meeting. Looking to do a large grant but since the time frame was only 21 days, they are postponing this for one year. Davis asked if Shea could write a letter of donation for the fire truck for companies. Shea will do this and it will be on the next agenda for approval.

B. Motion by Stout and seconded by Huffman to approve peddler permit for Alex Tobreluts, books. AYES: Stout, Lamberson, Huffman, Davis. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

C. Discussion by Tara and Ben Hansen in regards to No Parking on S. Mulberry St. Tara stated they have more cars than parking since they have a large family and lots of drivers and vehicles. They are in the process of working on their home after a fire so they have a dumpster also on their yard. She has nurses that need a place to park. She stated that she doesn't feel this street is busy enough to warrant no parking on both sides of the street for the length between Depot and the high school hill. She asked how many accidents have occurred due to cars being parked there? Brett Morris had written an email that was read out loud showing his support of having this street marked no parking due to safety of school pedestrians especially grade school children. Motion made by Lamberson and seconded by Stout to table until Sept 8th council meeting and monitor this street. AYES: Lamberson, Stout, Huffman, Davis. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

D. Motion by Huffman and seconded by Stout to approve setting public hearing for building permit for Roger Fischels, 304 Oak Circle, shed for Tuesday September 8th at 6:00 p.m. AYES: Davis, Stout, Huffman, Lamberson. NAYS: None. Motion Passed.

E. Discuss lot at 307 S. Pine St.- Do we sell this lot for what we have in it? Take sealed bids, list with realtor? Do we put a home on this lot and sell the house? Do we look for another lot for the house? Lots of discussion.

F. Discuss school crossings- Tom talked to Tim Viseth about school crossings. We think we will need lights at the crossings like William Penn has since they are crossing a state highway. Tom talked about splitting all costs with the school and then the city assumes responsibility for the maintenance. Council thought this was a good idea. School will discuss this at a school board meeting. Crossings will be at East and West Maple Street and also at East and West South Street. Tom will follow up.

G. Motion made by Stout and seconded by Huffman to have the school put up banners on the poles in town. Keri presented an idea of having one side do business names and city logo with the helping New Sharon Grow since, then their start of business date and the other side, the school's name and logo with their wording perseverance, etc. Keri will talk to Tim Viseth in regards to this. AYES: Davis, Huffman, Stout, Lamberson. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

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. Mahaska County Sheriff-

G. Cemetery Report –

H. City Clerk Report –

I. City Attorney Report -

J. Fire Department Report

K. Library Report –

9. Departmental Requests-None

10. City council Information:

A. Next council meeting will be Tuesday Sept 8th at 6:00 p.m. due to the holiday on Monday

11. Mayor Information-None

12. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Lamberson and seconded by Huffman to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. All in favor, Meeting adjourned.

Lisa Munn, City Clerk

Thomas German, Mayor