

**NEW SHARON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday February 05, 2025**

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The City Council prior to publication.**

The New Sharon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, February 05 @ 6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order with Mayor Thomas German and the following members answering roll call: Ben Hansen, Linda Steel, Justin Stout, Keri Lamberson. Others in attendance were Ron Wyatt, Christian Huffman, Ken Koehler, Joshua Crouse, Clay Beyer, Emily Lawler, Russ VanRenterghem, Kevin Lamberson and Lisa Munn.

1. Roll Call answered by: Hansen, Stout, Steel, Lamberson

2. Consent Agenda:

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

1/15/2025 minutes

2/05/2025 agenda

2/05/2025 distributions pending

Motion passed unanimously

3. Public Comments:

A. Kraig Koehler school board member said they are excited for the new school resource officer and partnering with the city.

4. Requests from the Community: None

5. Public Hearings: None

6. Resolutions and Motions:

A. Discussion of Council Appointment Candidates:

Council seat who is appointed will need to run in the next election. Ron Wyatt- worked for 41 years at Pella Corp, Fire and Ambulance Volunteer since 1998 and was a previous council member. Christian Huffman- lifelong resident, is on the zoning committee, interest to nurture infrastructure and answer people's questions. No other candidates present or turned in names to be considered.

B. Resolution 020525- Resolution Approving Appointment council seat. Motion by Stout and seconded by Lamberson to approve Resolution approving appointing Christian Huffman to vacated council seat. AYES: Lamberson, Steel, Stout, Hansen. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

C. Motion made by Stout and seconded Lamberson to approve Resolution 020525A appointing Emily Lawler as full-time police officer and setting the compensation of full-time police officer at \$25.00 per hour. Ayes: Steel, Stout, Hansen, Lamberson. Nays: None Motion passed

D. Discussion of payroll increases for the budget. Hansen thought a 4-5% for full time only and none for part time. He stated he would not approve anything over a 5% raise. Stout agreed thinking of 4% for the budget. More discussion and resolution in June since raises won't go into effect until July 1st.

E. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Steel to approve an increase of 4-5% pay raises for full time employees only for budget purposes with Resolution in June. AYES: Stout, Steel, Hansen. NAYS: None, ABSTENTION: Lamberson. Motion passed.

F. Motion made by Stout and seconded by Hansen to approve purchase of a 2019 Dodge Charger vehicle in the amount of \$21,210.63 for vehicle plus a computer docking station. AYES: Stout, Lamberson, Hansen, Steel. NAYS: None. Motion passed

G. Motion made by Stout and seconded by Hansen to approve purchase of new police computer in the amount of \$1639.80. AYES: Lamberson, Hansen, Steel, Stout. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

H. Motion made by Lamberson and seconded by Stout to approve contract for 5 years with B3 Technology for police and city hall computer maintenance. AYES: Hansen, Lamberson, Steel, Stout. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

I. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Lamberson to purchase a 2025 2500 Chevy Silverado and 10' blade for the road use and street department in the amount of \$45,860 from Karl Chevrolet for the truck and \$9615 for the blade from Truck Equipment. AYES: Lamberson, Stout, Steel, and Hansen. NAYS: None Motion passed

J. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to purchase a Colorado truck for the parks department in the amount of \$31,000 from Pella Motors. AYES: Hansen, Steel, Stout, Lamberson. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

K. Motion made by Stout and seconded by Hansen to list and sell the 2015 1-ton dump truck with blade for \$55,000 with mayor approval. AYES: Stout, Hansen, Lamberson, Steel. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

L. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Lamberson to get bids for dump trailer for the street department. AYES: Lamberson, Hansen, Stout, Steel. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

M. Motion made by Stout and seconded by Lamberson to purchase street sweeper from Huntington in the amount of \$234,496 to lease to own for 3 years and 30 days for first payment. AYES: Steel, Stout, Lamberson, Hansen. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

N. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to approve alcohol permit for Casey's. AYES: Hansen, Lamberson, Steel, Stout. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

O. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to approve quote for repair for 62-64 from Pella Motors in the amount of \$1332.57. AYES: Stout, Steel, Hansen, Lamberson. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

P. Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Lamberson to approve road closures for spring festival car show as detailed in request. AYES: Hansen, Steel, 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. Cemetery Report

G. City Clerk Report

- H. Deputy Clerk Report**
- I. City Attorney Report**
- J. Fire Department Report**
- K. Library Report**
- L. Mahaska County Sheriff**
- 9. Departmental Requests**
- 10. City council Information: None**
- 11. Swearing in of new council member:**
 - A.** Mayor Thomas German gave the oath of office to Christian Huffman to serve as council member.
- 12. Mayor Information:**
 - A.** Discussion changing council days
- 13. Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Hansen and seconded by Lamberson to adjourn at 7:41 p.m. All in favor, Meeting adjourned.

Lisa Munn
Certified Municipal City Clerk

Thomas German
Mayor