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## Shambaugh City Council Meeting Minutes December 2022

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A meeting of Shambaugh City Council Meeting was held at Shambaugh City Hall on **December 5, 2022**. Attendees Ron Peterman, Mahlon Sorensen, Sherry Stuvick, Patty Johnson, Patty LaFoy, Karen Miller, Sam Woodruff, and Sandra Bilokonsky. Joe Dow was absent A quorum was present. Lyle Palmer was absent Deputy Charles McCalla was present in his place.

### Approval of minutes

Motion Patty LaFoy	Second Karen Miller	All in favor: yes,	Motion carried
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### Reading of Agenda

Motion Sherry Stuvick	Second Patty LaFoy	All in favor: yes,	Motion carried
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### Reports

11/3/22 Deputies were dispatched to 409 Cinder Alley for a report of open burning. Deputy located the fire and spoke to Jimmy Blank who was burning in a barrel with a grate over the top. He advised he was going to put it out anyway as the wind had picked up significantly. This is legal according to the Iowa Code.

11/7/22 Deputies responded to a call for an open burning violation. James Moses was not in compliance with the open burning ban and was issued a summons to court for violation.

11/20/22 Deputies were dispatched to 502 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Address turned out to 510 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. James Moses had accidentally dialed 911

11/24/22 Deputies were dispatched to a 911 hang up 501 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Ron Peterman residence. Deputy spoke to Ron and his family all was ok. Found out that great grandchild was playing with phone.

GPS Time: GPS data is unavailable for the month. Department is in the process of getting all new units for the vehicles as the current ones, will no longer be able to provide data under their provider's new system.

**Unfinished Business** No unfinished business

### Motion to Bills and Unpaid Bills

Motion Sherry Stuvick	Second Patty Johnson	All in favor: yes,	Motion carried
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Bills paid for the month of November General Fund; \$3230.29 Water Fund; \$4146.18 Sewer Fund; \$924.93

### Business

Water/Sewer: Water is okay, there was rise in usage, which were community member leaks. The low-pressure issue was People Service in Braddyville flushing lines. Ron stated that there will be a vote on an expansion project with Southwest Regional Water for a 28% rate increase. The small-town representative, which is Braddyville mayor Kim, voted against it, however it appears that the rate increase will take place. Council discussed and questioned when the rate increase would take effect. Sam stated that it most likely will reflect on next year contract with Southwest Regional Water. With this rate increase the July city rate increase will need to be determined. Ron stated that they were discussing the rate increase to be shown in the flow rate. Council discussed cost of water in comparison to other communities. The expansion project with Southwest Regional Water will include farmers, therefore they will also see a jump in rates.

Street: Shrub/Brush project went well, Sam stated there was one other area he is going to request the contractor to hit before leaving town. Council was impressed with the work.

Mayor: Ron had no further commentary.

Clerk: Sandra stated to the council if they are wanting a rate increase in pay, they must attend to that matter before election time, 2023. Council agreed and the request is to place on agenda in August. Sandra asked the council for the city employee raise increase. Sandra had the federal raise of 4.6% and the standard 3% raise chart. There was heated discussion about raise, as some council members thought that 3% was not enough, due to cost of living. Sandra also stated that this would be her last year with the City of Shambaugh, however she is willing to job train next person. Council was mute. Council agreed to 3% raise. Motion was carried.

Motion for city employees 3% annual raise

Motion Patty Johnson

Second Sherry Stuvick

All in favor: yes,

Motion carried

Sandra stated that she had applied for an AED grant. If rewarded grant the city would need training on the AED. Patty LaFoy, is a nurse and stated she would provide the training. The city would be complying to safety standards. Sandra stated she sent Sam and Ron some grant information for them to look over. Sandra is still looking for street grants.

Council: NA

Public: NA

### Adjournment

Motion Sherry Stuvick

Second Karen Miller

All in favor: yes

Motion carried