## Shambaugh City Council Meeting Minutes January 2023

A meeting of Shambaugh City Council Meeting was held at Shambaugh City Hall on **January 2, 2023**. Attendees Ron Peterman, Sherry Stuvick, Patty LaFoy, and Sandra Bilokonsky. Patty Johnson, Sam Woodruff and Karen Miller was absent A quorum was present. Lyle Palmer was absent. Mahlon Sorensen was absent.

Approval of minutes			
Motion Patty LaFoy	Second Joe Dow	All in favor: yes,	Motion carried
Reading of Agenda			
Motion Patty LaFoy	Second Sherry Stuvick	All in favor: yes,	Motion carried

## Reports

12/07/22 Deputies were dispatched to 106 Hersey for a domestic incident. David Stimson was arrested for domestic abuse assault. He is currently being held in jail awaiting court proceedings.

12/14/22 The sheriff's office received a phone call of a burglary in progress at 418 Main Street. The caller stated they were told the side door was being broken into and people were inside. Deputies responded and found all doors and windows secure. Deputies spoke with BJ next door who stated he was just removing the stuff off the side porch like he was told he could. After conferring with the person at the sheriff's office who took the call, it was found that BJ had permission to take the items off the porch. No burglary.

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 BillsMotion Joe DowSecond Patty LaFoyAll in favor: yes,Motion carried

Bills paid for the month of December General Fund; \$10436.56 Water Fund; \$5996.17 Sewer Fund; \$926.99

## **Business**

Water/Sewer: Sam was not present, however there was report that a leak that was in town, had been found on Hersey Street. The leak was very large.

Street: Sam pushed snow

Mayor: Ron stated that SWRW did in fact, going to raise the rates 28% to support the new expansion project. SWRW will send a letter out to explain the details. Ron stated the rate increase will be on the flow rate. The current flow rate per the city contract is \$4.30, it will raise the rate to \$5.50. Sandra stated the council will need to raise the water rates in July, higher than the 3% proposed by city ordinance. Sandra gave an example raise, which is the following: Raise the city flow rate \$1.21- This will raise the current flow rate from \$6.18 to \$7.39. Sandra stated yes, this would affect the community on those who use more than 2000 gal of water, however the city will need to place some action. Ron stated the city is already behind on previous rate increase. Patty LaFoy stated that one of the reasons why she became a council member is to stop the rate increases. Patty L concern is those on fixed incomes. Sandra agreed, however pointed out that the city will need to do something, or the city will become behind. Ron agreed. Patty L asked questions on flow rate, sewer/water, the city current rates are \$6.18 for water and \$6.37 for sewer per 1000 gals, which means if a person was to use 2100, they would be charged for 3000 gals. Patty L stated that she spoke to Jerry as this effects Red Oak as well. Patty L asked Sandra if council will get a copy of the letter, Sandra stated yes, that will be in council packet, once it arrives. Ron and Sandra stated this will take effect on the contract therefore there is time for council to think about things.

Ron stated that Mr. Larsen asked if the council would be opposed to a 40 foot container on his property, to store items. Patty L and Sherry stated they really didn't see a problem. This would not be a subject matter until summer.

Council: NA

Public: NA

## Adjournment

Motion Patty LaFoy

Second Sherry Stuvick

All in favor: yes

Motion carried