
Shambaugh City Council Meeting Minutes May 2022

A meeting of Shambaugh City Council Meeting was held at Shambaugh City Hall on **May 2, 2022**. Attendees included Sam Woodruff, Sherry Stuvick, Ron Peterman, Patty Johnson, Sandra Bilokonsky, Mahlon Sorenson, Joe Dow, Lyle Palmer Patty La Foy and Karen Miller. A quorum was present.

Approval of minutes

Motion Sherry Stuvick Second Karen Miller All in favor: yes Motion carried

Reading of Agenda

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Reports

4/3/22 Sheriff's Office received a report of two horses out. Deputy contacted owners at 920 West Street and helped them get back in. 4/10/22 Deputies were dispatched for welfare check 2nd and West Street. No answer at door or windows. Deputies got permission to enter locked door from adult grand children because of bad health.
GPS Time: 18.54 hrs

Attorney spoke to Lyle in the matter of the wildlife ordinance draft. Lyle stated to have Mahlon send to County Attorney before presenting to council. Lyle stated to please give him a copy of ordinance if passes, so he may give to his deputies, for any possible gun fire calls.

Unfinished Business Mahlon stated he needed the property information for the land purchase from Byron for the expanding the playground. Mahlon was given property description. Sam stated that was not the legal description since it was coming Beacon Schneider. Mahlon stated that is what he needed and will work on. Mahlon will draft the proposed sale; Sandra will post and council may vote during June meeting. Ron asked Mahlon about attorney fees in the case of the bite, he asked as a city can we ask for the person/s to pay for city attorney fees. Patty J. asked as well. Mahlon stated that no, there is no statute in Iowa for cities to recoup costs. Mahlon stated that no judge would grant if a city was to ask, due to statutes. Mahlon stated he was in more need of research on the wildlife control ordinance. Mahlon stated he would be happy to write an ordinance and asked the council what they would like the ordinance to say per shooting wildlife for control. Council discusses with Mahlon, there was an agreement the ordinance would allow for gunfire in control of wildlife, that are causing harm. Mahlon will have to discuss with County attorney on exact verbiage to ensure proper state/county and city ordinance laws. Mahlon discussed with Lyle briefly on the topic, with legal verbiage. Lyle stated to run by the county attorney. Ordinance will have to abide by DNR. This ordinance will be about discharge of weapons, for control of wildlife causing harm. The city spoke about the coyotes and the problem cause. Sandra stated that she had comments that the coyotes are eating cats in town, she also had video cam of the coyotes outside her home. Patty J. stated the coyotes have tried to get to her livestock. Sherry talked about the state law, and thought state law overrides city law, when an animal is attacking another animal. Mahlon talked about his own personal time, where he had to shoot several coyotes on his property. It was in full agreement; action needs to be taken. Mahlon will draft an ordinance, send to county attorney then send to city.

Motion to Bills and Unpaid Bills

Motion Patty Johnson Second Sherry Stuvick All in favor: yes Motion carried

Bills paid for the month of March General Fund; \$7153.95 Water Fund; \$3878.43 Sewer Fund; \$1579.36

Business

Water/Sewer: Water is good. The draw down of east lagoon is good.

Street: Sam will patch streets once weather permits. City needs no rain and dry road conditions for patch. Playground equipment is being allowed on the upcoming land purchase. Weather permitting for get the equipment up. Ron stated to Sandra we can submit our status to the Clarinda Foundation, and they will cut the check. Sandra stated she has the playground project in excel and will export it in pdf. To send to the foundation.

Mayor: Nothing to report.

Clerk: Water audits is good. Sandra applied for grant to ICAP for offset of fall protection for the playground project. The city was awarded \$1000 to go towards the fall protection.

Council: Patty La Foy asked Sandra about the community member and yard clean up. Sandra stated she did investigate the 1-800-Junk however they do not service this area, and if they did it is still a cost factor on the property owner. Sandra stated she did not find any places that were at a "free" cost factor. Sandra stated she was going to wait after city wide cleanup, to see how much the property had been taken care. Sandra stated she was then going to get in contact with people at the Clarinda Thrift store that help low-income families and see if they have any resources. Patty J. stated that the city had Jim Moses clean up his property, Sandra stated that the difference is there were formal written complaints at the time, the city has not received any written complaints in the matter of this community member. Patty LaFoy stated she was ready to write a complaint. Sandra stated the complaint forms are available online and in the office. Council discussed that "you can lead a horse to water but will the horse drink". Sandra stated she is willing to give resources that she has, such as Page County Landfill.

Adjournment

Motion Sherry Stuvick

Second Karen Miller

All in favor: yes

Motion carried