

Minutes of the Ordinance Committee Meeting  
**Sheffield Lake, Ohio**  
March 3, 2011

The regular meeting of the Ordinance Committee was held Thursday, March 3, 2011. Chairman Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:18PM.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Elliott, Kovach, Huska

Attending: Councilwoman Stark, Law Director Graves

**READING OF THE MINUTES:** \*Motion by Huska/Second by Kovach to accept the minutes of the February 3, 2011 meeting with any corrections. Yeas All.

Chairman Elliott advised I had discussed with Diana earlier about switching Chairmanship of this committee, she had asked before as she stated she had never gotten a chance to Chair Ordinance. As you know I think you formally announced that you are retiring, so at this time \*Motion by Elliott/Second by Kovach to switch Chairmanship from me to Mrs. Huska. Yeas All.

**PRESENTATIONS: None.**

**CORRESPONDENCE: None.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*Internet Sweepstakes Cafes* – Law Director Graves advised presently we have 3 operating in the city. We have an application for a 4<sup>th</sup>, the Building Inspector and the Fire Department did go through that one today and there has been some renovation going on in there but plans have not yet been submitted so we are going to crack down on that one. At this point, it is just in the development stage. We do have 3 operating and no problems. Chairperson Huska asked the woman that came to the Council meeting, has she talked to you at all? Law Director Graves asked which woman, which Council meeting? Councilman Kovach advised she is across here from the old Schunenman's, that particular café and she is unhappy and she was under the impression that we really just went ahead and approved these. We have explained to her time and time again that we spent how many months and how many meetings before they came. Law Director Graves answered I remember now, we did explain to her that the legislation that we passed was a measure to actually regulate them to keep a closer eye on them – it wasn't that we just allowed it. No, I haven't heard any more from her. Chairperson Huska stated she was at the meeting the other night again and just wanting to know why other cities are putting a moratorium on them and this and that. Councilman Elliott stated it is really because it depends on how the cities approach it really and we approached it that we were going to regulate it. Chairperson Huska asked didn't a lot of cities

follow? Councilman Elliott answered yes actually Lorain is trying to follow in our footsteps. Law Director Graves advised Lorain, Elyria, Sheffield Village and many others are allowing them and regulating them, many other communities throughout Northeast Ohio and Cuyahoga County. Then there is another group of communities that are electing to simply put up a 6-month moratorium on them for further study to learn more about them. Our city elected to go ahead and regulate them and begin collecting licensing fees.

**Repeat nuisance calls –complete; passed. REMOVE.**

**1111.04 of code re: size of garage – complete; passed. REMOVE.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**Chairperson Huska advised starting next month, maybe we will start reviewing the ordinances that have been either repeat ordinances or old ordinances that maybe we should review and take a look at little by little. Not anything over half an hour.

***Ordinances before Council at this time:***

Councilman Elliott advised there was the resolution supporting the library levy. Law Director Graves advised that is just a request and I have to ask Andrea to start putting that together so there will be. Next Tuesday I do anticipate in addition to the resolution that we just talked about, for a first reading approving the donation of that lot and also a resolution in support of the library levy and also a resolution approving the live scan grant for the Police Department and authorizing the Mayor to enter into that agreement. I reported last night at Safety that we have been awarded that grant and that is over \$10,000.00. I think it is about a \$1000.00 or \$1200.00 local match on that but that legislation will also be for Tuesday night.

**CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this committee,  
\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Elliott to adjourn at 7:30pm. Yeas all.

**CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION:** This Meeting Of The City Committee Of The City Of Sheffield Lake, Ohio Was Held And Conducted Under All Rules And Regulations Governing The Sunshine Laws Of The State Of Ohio As They May Apply. All meetings are recorded and available in council's office.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

***Kay Fantauzzi***

I, Kay Fantauzzi, duly appointed Clerk of Committees of SheffieldLake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of Committee of Ordinance for March 3, 2011.

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CHAIRPERSON OF COMMITTEE

***Diana Huska***

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
*Edward R Podmanik*

*and/or*

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COUNCIL PRO TEM  
*Richard Rosso*