# Minutes of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio July 6, 2015

The regular meeting of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse Committee was held Monday, July 6, 2015. Chairman Cizl called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

### **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Cizl, Mayor Bring, Stark, Kovach, Smith, Erdei, WtulichAbsent: Rosso, McCullough (excused)Attending: Demo Board Chairman Gee

\*Motion by Erdei/Second by Smith to accept the minutes of the June 1, 2015 meeting with any corrections. Yeas All.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

#### **PRESENTATIONS: None.**

SEWER CREDITS/UNPAID CHARGES FOR TAX DUPLICATE: None.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mayor Bring asked did you get any water over there on Holl Avenue? Councilman Wtulich answered no water. Mayor Bring continued we have been cleaning and doing some stuff, we are going to continue that maintenance. In the last rainfall again we had some flooding especially on Walker Road and Buckeye over there, we have got a problem over there and I don't know what it is but we did clean some of the ditches out. So we are going to continue that but we have been doing a process but I didn't hear anything from over there so that is a good sign. We did find some debris the last time we were in there so hopefully we got most of that. I talked to Pat this morning about the water meters and in about 2 weeks we should be getting back everything from the engineers and then we will be going over that and then send that out for bid. So we want to move on this process pretty quick and then once that gets going then we are going to have to do a bond for that so we will have to come to you guys but Tammy doesn't think that should be an issue at all. But we have a number on that so once this gets going here this will be in full speed. I am trying to keep you guys informed of what is going on with that. The roads will start – they are saying they could start July 20th at the earliest as far as the paving. I don't anticipated that because they have been back logged with all of the rain and everything. So I am expecting sometime the first part of August. We are going to do some work over on Oakwood and a few of the other streets too. We wanted to get that done before they pave because if they don't they are going to do it afterwards. We had an issue at the other end of town again with the one pump station on the last rain, we blew the line out there again and I know that Mark has been asking about it and a few other people, I know Kerry called me on it. The engineers have been looking into it but it is going to costs a substantial amount of money. I will

be bringing that to you probably in the fall when we figure out what we are going to do down there. The pump works fine but all the infrastructure around there is really bad. It is not only our city but everybody else's cities are having the same problem so I don't know. We are going to go after some type of grants and stuff for that. That is a real problem, everybody looks above ground but below ground all these cities around here have some huge issues. So like I said we are not the only ones but it is going to costs a tremendous amount of money. I don't if you read it but Rocky River so far has put 60 million dollars into their underground and they have got to put another 10 million dollars into it and they still don't know if that is going to solve the problem. They still have flooding. Rocky River is a very large town but I am just telling you it is very expensive to do this underground stuff. The other problem is the utilities, they keep adding utilities underground; fiber optics and everything else and every time they do that it interferes with all of our sewers and stuff when we are digging and doing stuff. So keep that in the back of your mind and hopefully we will be able to figure something out here. After we get these water meters and everything else into place we are going to be kind of getting onto that track to see how much it is going to costs and see what everybody thinks about that. We have been cleaning ditches as much as we possibly can, we still have 2 guys off and 1 gentleman tried to come back but he is unable and then the other one is off and we don't know if he is coming back and then we got another one going out next Wednesday for probably 6 to 8 weeks. But we will still be shorthanded. Chairman Cizl asked I know you are doing the engineering for the water meters, how many companies will we put bids out for, is it to anybody or what? Mayor Bring answered anybody. The parking lot bids are going out too and that is coming back here shortly. So that was out and will probably be done in the fall. I know I keep telling you about this but officially the bids went out on those. Councilperson Stark stated if the gas company comes in and they start doing work and they hit one of our water lines like they did over on Thelma and stuff, are they responsible for paying for any damage to the road? Mayor Bring stated that is a good question because they have been charging us here lately every time we nick a line even though they mark them. They marked just recently down by Walker, they marked one side of the road and the gas line was on the other side and it was an old line and we ended up hitting it and I know we are going to get charged. We fought them on the Lafayette ditch about the fact that they marked in the wrong spot there. They said they marked it in the correct spot but they did charge us. David sent them all kinds of letters but ultimately we ended up paying for that but that is a good question and I believe we started to push that issue since they have been pushing us. Councilperson Stark stated I know on my street they have marked my house and a couple of other houses and it is in that area where we had that water line problem and I am concerned that they are going to go in there and mess with that again – are they going to hit the line again? Mayor Bring stated I know that we have charged them and part of the one thing is with Speedway down there because of that gas and water thing

down there. When that got hit we charged them for that and that was Columbia Gas. That is one of the reasons why they did all that work down there too. Chairman Cizl asked I noticed on Warwick Drive or Lakewood Beach where some roads are painted fluorescent green, is that gas also? Mayor Bring answered yes. The Gas Company - if you have seen the news, there has been a few cities that actually have blown. So they are going about doing this, they are changing their lines because they are finding leaks and stuff in the lines which is the old iron pipe and they were at one time just wrapping that and I think now they are replacing parts of that stuff. I think they are just going about it without telling anybody and keeping it kind of secret because they don't really want anybody to know. But they have got a lot of lines, just like we have our lines in there and theirs is the same thing, they are all corroded and rusted. I know the one when I was down there at Abbe Road, they dug it up and within 25 feet I think they had 15 pin holes in just that one line. But they are going around changing all that stuff. I think it was Perry or whatever was out there that did that. I think the insurance company is making them change a lot of these lines and stuff.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Ditch cleanings; Day Ditch by Holl/Shoemaker Ditch – north of Richelieu, east side by Buckeye – discussed above.

## **NEW BUSINESS: None.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED**: With no further business before this committee, \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Stark to adjourn at 7:11 PM. 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 Offices.

CLERK OF COUNCIL Kay Fantauzzi

I, Kay Fantauzzi, duly appointed Clerk of Committee Of Sheffield Lake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is A true and exact copy of the Minutes of the Roads & Drains Committee of July 6, 2015. COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN *Mark Cizl* 

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Rick Rosso

and/or

COUNCIL PRO TEM Alan Smith