

**Minutes of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse
Sheffield Lake, Ohio
February 7, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse was held Monday, February 7, 2011. Chairman Dennis Bring called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Bring, Elliott, Rosso, Huska, Kovach, Stark, Smith

Absent: Podmanik(excused)

Attending: Law Director Graves, Service Director Smith

READING OF THE MINUTES:

*Motion by Kovach/Second by Smith to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2011 meeting with any corrections. Yeas all.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

SEWER CREDITS/UNPAID CHARGES FOR TAX DUPLICATE:

100 Pembridge Court for \$161.70 –after a brief review and discussion, *Motion by Huska/Second by Rosso to approve the credit of \$161.70 for 100 Pembridge Court. Yeas All.

874 Kenilworth Avenue for \$70.56 –after a brief review and discussion, *Motion Huska/Second by Elliott to approve the credit of \$70.56 for 874 Kenilworth Avenue. Yeas All.

List of unpaid water bills for submission to Auditor for a total of \$8,368.01–after a review and discussion, *Motion by Bring/Second by Huska to send list to the auditor. Yeas All.

OLD BUSINESS:

Projects:

Walker Road, phase III – Chairman Bring advised waiting for Tammy on this.

Future Projects:

Sidewalks–sidewalk escrow deposits 2010 submitted as requested by President Podmanik. Service Director Smith advised I got a couple of demonstrations coming up for some pipe finders. Shannon has got 2 of them scheduled for later towards the end of this month, we will use them as a demo for locating water lines and sewer lines. Chairman Bring advised Shannon came in the other day and advised that some of the maps are not correct because they were showing water lines in the same side and they weren't there so they need to get some kind of detector to find out where they are. So that is why they are bringing this guy

out. How much did he say that was? Service Director Smith answered about \$2200.00 to \$2400.00 – the one brand is. We don't currently have one, we have something but it is outdated and it doesn't work and they don't even use it. Councilwoman Huska asked Lenny will that also find gas lines? Service Director Smith answered if it has the wire in it. They make different kinds; plastic and metal gas lines. Gas lines used to be out of black pipe and that is exactly what we have going on over in Ward 1. Right now we have Columbia Gas over on Devonshire replacing metal line. They have a real problem with corrosion. He explained erosion of pipe and causes and an incident just dealt with on East Drive.

Misc:

Water meters– Chairman Bring advised we are still having some issues where we are getting high water bills because they are not being detected or read all the time. Sometime here in the near future we are going to have to look pretty hard and get a little bit more serious about it. Service Director Smith advised I talked to Shannon twice about this and we are going to schedule another thing where we actually have Badger come in this time and do some more talking and I will keep everybody abreast on that. Chairman Bring stated it affects the older people as they are all on budgets and then when they don't get a bill for 3 or 4 months and then all of a sudden they get hit with a big bill and it really puts them into a bind. Service Director Smith advised even a leak will do that with estimates.

SERVICE DIRECTORS REPORT: Service Director Smith advised the guys worked real well, we are a little over a thousand tons in salt of usage. Chairman Bring asked how much did we use last year? Service Director Smith answered estimates on the lean side run 850 ton to 1200 ton and we have used 1400 ton in the past. On the average we run anywhere from 1000 to 1200 on a normal winter. The best that I have done because we have to calculate exactly, don't forget we have 2 parts of the season and I have to calculate actual uses as compared to usage. We always have so much in the bends and now of course we have 5 trucks loaded with salt sitting inside there, so that is less salt that is in the bend too. I am going to be asking if we could get a little bit more. I think we are fair for what we have gotten. We have had a goal of so many pounds per lane mile, running it around to 400 to 500 if we use it correctly and then thinning it out. It is coming out pretty good as far as our spread rate, so we haven't been wasting the salt – we have been using it. Of course we have little issues that we have to tweak out like going around a corner or something, you will see a mound of salt there. You know driving down Lake Road you will see there is an even spread across and as soon as that temperature gets up and the ratio gets right – it just waters out. Councilman Smith advised I went from Sheffield Lake to Avon Lake and Sheffield Lake is always wet and Avon Lake for some reason now they don't use salt like they used to. Service Director Smith advised the Assistant Service Director from Avon Lake called me this week just to let me know what a great job our road crew had done on the roads because he had the day off and he had to go to Lorain and Sandusky and he said going through our town, he drove around a little bit and he was very impressed and he wanted to pass on kudos to our team. I thought it was really nice on

Avon Lake's part. Chairman Bring advised even the side streets were done much faster than ever before and we have had a tremendous amount of snow. Service Director Smith advised I did put together a report; how many overtime hours, how much in calcium chloride, winter fuel for trucks & equipment. To give you an idea that 3-day storm that we just had costs estimate of \$5400.00 as compared to Lorain's costing – we don't even want to go there. We are working on the mailbox list soon to be fixed. Councilman Smith asked how have we done on breakdowns? Service Director Smith answered a few, little ones but we have had a truck to replace it. Chairman Bring advised I have talked to the new mechanic and he has kept up with it. Actually even kept the green trucks on the road. Service Director Smith advised we had a couple of lines blow and we had 5 trucks this last storm and we ran 3-man crews instead of 2-man crews so that we could keep up on the streets earlier.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Kovach/Second by Elliott to adjourn at 7:35PM. 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.

CLERK OF COMMITTEE

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 COMMITTEE of February 7, 2011.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

Dennis Bring

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Edward R Podmanik

and/or

COUNCIL PRO TEM

Richard Rosso