

**Minutes of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse
Sheffield Lake, Ohio
July 7, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse was held Monday, July 7, 2008. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Smith, Podmanik, Kovach, Huska, Bring, Elliott, Diebold

Absent: Rosso (excused)

Attending: Service Director Gardner, Law Director Graves, Concerned Citizens,
Members of the Media: Avon Lake Press

READING OF THE MINUTES:

*Motion by Elliott to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2008 meeting as presented. Yeas all.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

SEWER CREDITS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Projects:

Ferndale I – none.

Ferndale II – Service Director Gardner advised we will be tearing out some shrubs and cutting down some weeds for the telephone company probably next week and moving rocks from the right of way.

Walker Road/Phase I – Service Director Gardner reported we still haven't done the culvert. Chairman Smith asked you got any idea on that culvert? Service Director Gardner answered it will certainly be after Ferndale Phase II, we do all that stuff. It is going to be after any patching or stuff we have to do on that. Mr. Bring asked on that culvert, can we stick a black T or something in there to cover that up for a while until we figure out what we are going to do with that? Service Director Gardner answered it is bigger then that, it is a bigger culvert then that. Mr. Bring stated I was thinking something temporary to get rid of that hole. Service Director Gardner advised it won't be that long before we work on it and a T isn't going to do any good. Mr. John Edwards, Avon Lake Press stated a bike could still fall in there and a bike is only going to fall in there if the kid is riding blindfold. Service Director Gardner advised I went over during the middle of a rain storm and just happened to go with the Press, the water wasn't any higher or lower then normally so I believe it is a pretty uniform flow out of there.

Walker Road/Phase II – Service Director Gardner reported we haven't done the re-striping yet. Chairman Smith asked the striping is going to be done when, you contract with the County aren't you? Service Director Gardner answered I have to black out the other lines first.

Walker Road/Phase III – on hold.

Infiltration:

Flow Monitoring analysis – **None.**

Future Projects:

Sidewalks – Service Director Gardner reported we are diligently trying to get all of the sidewalk money spent that we have. There will be some that are held up for certain situations due to the terrain or whether they are part of Ferndale Phase II. Mr. Kovach asked are we going to be putting the sidewalk across the west-end of the launch? Service Director Gardner answered we have talked about it but I don't know whether or not but I would like to. Mr. Kovach advised I think that we should as a finishing off of the project. Service Director Gardner advised it would be nice and we talked about whether to put it behind a telephone pole or in front of the telephone pole. I prefer for it to be behind but we are going to landscape first and see what it looks like. Mrs. Huska asked how much is left in the sidewalk fund, about – it doesn't have to be exact? Service Director Gardner answered \$60,000.00 but as far as money left that is not accounted for, I believe it is all accounted for, pretty much so. Mrs. Huska stated okay, good, alright. Service Director Gardner advised let me put it this way, there is no extra money to spend on anything.

List of road repair (map) – Chairman Smith asked Bill do you have any idea when? Service Director Gardner answered I have talked to the contractor again today, he promised me that he would be out tomorrow to talk to me but he hasn't got his stuff here yet so it isn't today.

Mr. Robert Koch, Belle Avenue asked just briefly, what is the difference between the three different applications that you are putting on. I see the different roads here; the tar & chip, milling and milling with 2" asphalt. Service Director Gardner explained tar & chip usually is on a tar & chip street and those are determined primarily by the amount of drainage we have. If we don't have good drainage because it doesn't have underground drainage pipes or it is situated like Stark, Oliver; in the center of town where there is really no good drainage at all – those will be tar & chipped. If we have some asphalt roads like: Northwood, Southwood, Elm – all those streets, we have tar & chipped over those asphalt streets simply because they don't have a lot of traffic on them and the tar & chip will turn into - you really can't tell a difference except that it is grayer. It looks like good road and it holds up 3 or 4 years and protects the asphalt road. Chairman Smith stated it is dusty at the beginning. Service Director Gardner continued so the tar & chip that you see is mostly on streets that are tar & chipped before or worse – gravel and things like that, be shaped a little bit and have some millings that we take off of Belle put on them as a base so they got some asphalted oil in them but basically it is just gravel. Then that will be double tar & chipped over that. Some will get single tar & chipped which is just one pass of asphalted oil of AC Task and then eights over the top of that and those are usually streets that are in good shape that are just getting coated. The advantage of a tar and chip is it gives you restriction of water penetrating the base because of the oil and it gives you a wear surface that allows for

starting and stopping through the gravel. Now the disadvantage is that when we put this on in August if it is dry you are going to get a lot of dust. If we succumb to peoples desires to sweep the dust off then when September comes and there is no aggregate on it then the asphalted oil will boil through and you will be tracking that on your driveway. So it is not a without pain solution but it does after 3 weeks of driving on it becomes as smooth, as a matter of fact all the roads in the center of town virtually are like that and they get pretty smooth. It does protect the base, especially where there is not good drainage. The milling is mostly being done, we are going to mill off Belle which is going to mill off the top approximately 2 inches – mill that down, do any filling that has to be done and then put another asphalted coat over the top of that. We are also going to work on some of the drain, the curb in spots and work on trying to put a better curb drain in. Mr. Koch asked are you going to reuse some of that material that you are taking up from Belle. Service Director Gardner answered yes, that is all going to be put on Cliff, on Parkview, on all the other streets. We will fill in all the holes with that stuff and that is why Belle will be the first street to be done because we will take all those shavings and stuff, now that won't cover everything but that will help reduce the costs on the rest of the streets. The asphalt then of course is asphalt, it is probably 2, 2-1/2 inch asphalt over-lays. Brockley is a concrete road which we will go in and in some places we will mill it out and then put asphalt back in and seal it. That is what we did on Brockley before and it will be in places there to replace where we have done it before. That is the typical fix for a concrete street.

Mrs. Koch, Belle asked Belle was supposed to get done in 2012, how does this affect that you are doing now going to affect as far as the 2012 road. Is that going to take the place? Service Director Gardner answered that will replace that section, it depends on how it holds up, a 2-inch overlay. If you looked at the base of a road and we sealed it all and it looked like we sealed it and then you put that 2-inch of nice smooth stuff over the top, it usually goes an inch a year. So within 2 years, you will see a reflective crack through the surface where the crack was underneath. We will just seam-joint that with tar & chip – it might be good for 15 or 20 years. That will show – it just does, that is the nature of the road.

Mike Redmond, 327 Oak Street asked do you have any plans for Oak Street, I have called you twice now? It could use repaving, it is pretty rough down there. I am sure you have seen it, I don't know if they have seen it. Service Director Gardner answered Oak Street is on the list for tar & chipping, you are talking off of Lake Road? If you are talking off of where we already paved Oak Street, that isn't going to change. Mr. Redman stated no, not where you paved. Service Director Gardner answered if it is Oak Street off of Lake Road, it is going to get done. Mr. Redman asked it is going to get repaved? Service Director Gardner answered no, it is going to get tar and chipped. Mr. Bring stated just like Buckeye, the way it was done, we did that a few years ago. Mr. Redman asked are you guys familiar with our street down there, I mean there is only 4 houses on there. Chairman Smith answered it will be tar and chipped to smooth out this year. Mr. Bring stated it will be the same thing like they did on Buckeye right there. Mr. Redman stated I don't know the guys last name but he has been there for 18 years and nothing has been done. Like I say we try to take care of our homes. Service Director Gardner stated all the streets off of Lake Road

were the next section of roads that were supposed to be in tar and chipped in our program that we set up 5 years and last year we held it up because we were doing Lake Road and Ferndale Phase II. We are back on the program and those are the next streets and that is why all of them; Beach, Oak, Parkview, Cliff, north Abbe, north Harris – they are all being done off of that. Service Director Gardner explained the process.

Mr. Markovich, 5010 Lake asked I am just curious, if you are going to do that is there a way you can put a catch basin by the Lake and Elm and like fill in that drainage ditch? Service Director Gardner answered where we just dug it out? Mr. Markovich answered yes. Service Director Gardner continued the ideal solution to that is to bring the pipe from Elm Street and on the north side diagonally across Lake Road to Oak and that is the plan. That is why that pipe was put in at Lake Road but that is not the agenda to do now.

Mr. Robert Koch, Belle asked are you going to inform people as far as leaving that dust on you know for a few days and putting up with the dust so that the road does stay a little bit more even rather than cleaning it. Mr. Bring stated we can't even post it anymore on cable. Clerk Fantauzzi advised the only place we can post it is maybe on the net, on the website sheffieldlake.net. Chairman Smith advised unfortunately when it comes to tar and chipping them, it puts a pretty smooth surface on it. It lasts pretty good but it is that dust. Service Director Gardner advised it will get dusty and there is no way around it and if you don't leave the dust you get the oil and then the oil tracks really bad. There was a brief discussion on getting the word out about the process. Service Director Gardner advised I do not have a schedule for when the contractor is coming. When he comes, I will have his schedule. Chairman Smith advised weather dictates a lot. Service Director Gardner advised it is not going to be until he shows, it is going to take about 2 weeks after he gets here. There was a brief discussion.

Misc:

Water meters – Service Director Gardner reported I do have a source to sell some of mine I think. Some of the ones that we were having trouble with and I may sale them, one in Florida and one in Nebraska I think. So I may sale some of them, the ones that don't work for us. They are the ones they we don't get good results from when they are under water and if you have them in a house then they work fine. So these people that have house-bound meters that happened to be those meters, it doesn't matter to them so I think we are going to be able to get rid of them. I have talked to the rep already about it and I think that I might be able to find somebody that will buy them. Mrs. Huska asked how much are they going to pay you as much? Service Director Gardner answered we will get approximately what we paid for them. Mrs. Huska stated that is what I am wondering about, so we are not going to take a loss. Law Director Graves advised that would require a resolution.

Pole for lights on bridge – Service Director Gardner advised I have talked to the engineer about the light pole and that is coming. But our lights on the boat launch are coming before that. He continued Mariners Homeowners Association on Queens Court, I finally got a price out of Ohio Edison to put a decorative pole similar to the kind we got in that area on the west side. I talked to Bob's wife about the fact that it is going to be on the other side

which is really the other association. The Queens Court people said they will pay the \$980.00. We have to put in about 30 or 40-feet of trench that we will put in, the city will do because Ohio Edison won't do it. They said their insurance will cover that light pole if it gets hit. But you guys have told me not to do it. Chairman Smith stated that is because they didn't want to accept the responsibility. Service Director Gardner answered I know but if that is okay with you, I have already talked to the engineer, he is ready to go. No ready to go and getting it done, I don't know. Chairman Smith asked they as the association are going to buy the light, they are going to put the light in, we are going to trench. Service Director Gardner advised just to get the power to the light. Chairman Smith continued their insurance company, the associations insurance company will cover it if it gets hit by somebody. Mr. Bring stated we should have a letter documenting that. Service Director Gardner advised we can have a letter if you want. There was a brief discussion on the Law Director looking at the legal stuff and make sure everything is on the up and up. If we need some type of approval then we can do that through a resolution or something. I am sure that would probably take a resolution for that wouldn't it. Law Director Graves advised he would take a look at it.

Mr. Koch, Belle asked can I say something about the launch, I am not that familiar with it down there but is it true that we don't charge anybody to launch a boat. Mr. Kovach advised it is the intent at this time to not charge. We are going to play that by ear and see how it works out because that actually was part of the stipulation when we got the grant to build. That doesn't mean that in the future depending upon, we are going to be doing some costs factoring on that. Service Director Gardner advised we could charge but if we charge we would have to charge everybody. When John came forward with the boat launch, he promised the residents of this city that he wouldn't charge them. So when we said we won't charge the residents, the ODNR said well that won't work because you are not allowed to have a 2-tier system. So as a result, we said okay we won't charge anybody. Now that could change over time but that is our initial intent. Our initial intent for the boat launch was to provide public access to Lake Erie for all people regardless of incomes or whether you have a house on the lake or not – that was the objective. So the people that could view that, be there, see that was the goal and that goal was better served by encouraging people to launch there. There was a brief discussion on charging and Shoreway Shopping Center. Law Director Graves advised of past encouragements and willingness to work with owner.

Mr. Bring asked by Tom's house there on Lake Road, are we going to fill those cracks there anytime soon – they are getting worse? Service Director Gardner answered we have got a guy coming, the guy will be here probably the first week in August to do seal coating of Walker Road and also the west 1500 feet of Lake Road and we will get that area right there. Mr. Bring advised right before the dip. Chairman Smith advised keep that on Misc.

SERVICE DIRECTORS REPORT: Service Director Gardner reported the sanitary sewer fund is still running a negative, primarily because of the high volume of water that we have had in this spring. I don't expect it to get out of the red until late in the fall assuming that we have pretty dry weather. The boat launch will be putting in some of the

dock tomorrow and paving the south side tomorrow. The only thing left on the north side will be stringing the rope, putting in any barricades that we might have, putting up some signs which I have got coming and doing the landscaping up on that area. So it could conceivably be open this week depending on how we work on it. I put in a call to ODNR and they haven't called me back, so that is where that is. The water fund is running fairly neutral, we are going to be giving the 10% discount and all that stuff so you will see that on your bill. Refuse – please don't buy those 96 gallon containers that you see every other city has. Those exceed our capacity for our trucks to handle and we won't be able to lift them. Those are only for cities that have approved that system of containers and right now our city is on unlimited pick-up but it is still limited to 30 gallon bags and 50 pound weight so conform to that and we won't have any problems. Mr. Elliott stated it has been brought up to me that that crosswalk over there on Lake Road by the boat launch. I have heard a couple of people have tried to cross there by that crosswalk and traffic almost refuses to stop there for that crosswalk, is there any signage we can put up? Service Director Gardner advised we can put up the same kind of signage that we have on Walker Road, we can put the same signage and we will. We will do those, you see one of the problems is that we don't have a sidewalk to the south side but we will put them up to get traffic to slow down. Once the boat launch opens, hopefully we will have a lot more people crossing the street. Mr. Elliott asked that launch in the parking lot, is that mostly just for car and trailer parking or is there slots for single cars. Service Director Gardner advised that is virtually 100% car/boat trailer parking. Mr. Elliott asked so anybody else would have to park across the street. Service Director Gardner answered I can't tell you where to park but I can tell you that you should not park in the boat launch parking spots. Now having said that, if there are 2 cars there then there is 2 cars there but if there are 57 boats there then there isn't going to be any room and there is no place for the boats to park and there are places for cars to park in other areas so be conscious of the fact that the boats have priorities in the boat launch area. Chairman Smith advised I had a couple of people ask me and I told them to go to Park Board because they would probably have some answers too for them. Service Director Gardner explained the boat launch money that we got from ODNR, from the Watercraft people, from the License people, from the Coast Guard and everybody else that gave us money is designed for boats – it is not designed for anything else. So they are looking at boat and how they determined the value of a piece of property is the number of boat parking spaces divided into the costs that they had to pay and if that number gets too high they won't approve it – 58, 57 like that number is the minimum we can get by with and qualify for the money we ask for. Unfortunately we don't have anymore land there that we can use so we had to virtually use it all for boats. One of our options was to close Lake Breeze and park on Lake Breeze. So we looked at every kind of option possible to get this done but they accepted our number of slots based on the shopping center going along with us on that 22,000 square feet that they let us lease from them. Clearly a reason to go after more money from the state for say a third ramp or something like that would be the need for more parking but we have to find land for that and the Hardee's 1.08 acres is an excellent possibility but again we couldn't get it.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Kovach to adjourn at 8:15 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 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 July 7, 2008.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

Alan Smith

and/or

CO-CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

Dennis Bring

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