

Minutes of the City Council

Sheffield Lake, Ohio

March 27, 2012

The regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, March 27, 2012. Council President Edward Podmanik called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. **THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY: Kay Fantauzzi**, who then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

*******ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS*******

Present: Podmanik, Rosso, Smith, Belaska, Stark, Kovach, Elliott, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Service Director Smith, Law Director Graves, Treasurer Woods
Absent: McCullough (excused)
Attending: Lorain County Fair Housing; Donald Eager, Planning; Erdei, Members of the Media; Avon Lake Press

*Motion by Rosso/Second by Belaska to accept the minutes of the March 13, 2012 Council meeting with any corrections. Yeas All.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Rosso to accept the minutes of the March 20, 2012 Council Worksession meeting with any corrections. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS:None.

PRESENTATIONS:

Lorain County Fair Housing; Donald Eager – Mr. Eager distributed folders of fair housing informational guides and advised you got CDBG formula money to do public service and some public rehab programs. Since you got that money and because the documents you sign and so forth it is required that I come and do this little presentation. The information that you have in the packet is just basic information regarding the Fair Housing and the Housing program. What we do for the county is we try to serve as a housing resource for the citizens of the county. We cover everything from tenant/landlord issues to mortgage issues to foreclosure issues to housing discrimination issues to people who are looking for affordable housing to seniors to the disabled. It is a wide variety of help that we offer and it is a 1-800 number that is manned 24/7 hotline that we run. It is part of the program and it is free to the citizens, there is no income requirements or anything and basically what we try to do/most of the stuff that we do has to do with tenant/landlord issues and people who are looking for housing/people who are having trouble paying rent or paying their mortgages and people who are having trouble with utilities. What we try to do is put them in contact with the right person

or do as much as we can to help them out so that they don't have to go to another place or call another organization. When you folks as Council members sign off on those papers to get the CDBG money your guaranteeing that all the citizens of the City of Sheffield Lake will have equal housing opportunity and will have equal access to all housing so we make sure that that happens and the reason we have these types of meetings and other meetings throughout the county is so that the next time you apply you don't have that problem and you will be able to get the funding that is necessary. If you have citizens or residents in the city that call you up with questions and problems and issues regarding the housing all you have to do is refer them to us and we will take it from there. If you have questions you can call us at the 1-800 number also and we can provide whatever assistance that we can. Avon Lake Press John Edwards asked what was the 1-800 number? Mr. Eager answered 1-800-850-0467.

*******CITY COUNCIL REPORTS*******

Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer, and Refuse: None./Safety: None./Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment: None./Ordinance: None./Finance & Claims: Chairperson Stark reviewed the minutes of the March 20, 2012 meeting. *Motion by Elliott/Second by Rosso to accept the report. Yeas All./**Investment: None./Council Representative to the Community Center: None./Council Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals: None./Council Representative to the Planning Commission:** Representative Belaska reviewed the minutes of the March 15, 2012 meeting./**Council Representative to the Park Board:** Member Kovach reviewed the minutes of the March 19, 2012 meeting.

*******ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS*******

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Bring reported for your consideration I had brought Jeff Herold in last week for part-time dispatcher, he is actually next door being trained so I am asking for your consideration to bring him on board for part-time dispatcher. Things have started around here, we have had some of the wireless which they are adding an extension on the tower over here. They were at the water tower today trying to get a read off of some of the other areas around here so we can get that going but they have started that process so it will take a little while. Just wanted to let you know that you will some things happening around here. Mr. Smith and I have been riding around some more taking a look at other projects to do. So again there is a lot of things that are going to happen here but it is probably going to take a couple of months yet. *Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska to accept the report. Yeas All./**FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT: None./TREASURER REPORT: None./SAFETY DIRECTOR:** Mayor Bring reported as Mr. Kovach stated we did have a few issues down at the bike path but I will say that the police are handling that very well. We have added a bike patrol to that, Mr. Corr has ordered a hitch for one of the cars so we are going to put one of the bikes on there. This is just going to be maybe a once a week issue and we are

going to wait until the weather warms up again because there was quite a bit of activity when the weather was warm, we caught several people littering and a few other things that were going on there. The bike patrol seems to be appreciated by the residents, they were very thankful for that and like I said I think the police are handling this situation very well. We really haven't arrested anybody and that is not the intention here, the intention is to stop the nonsense. We had an episode where we had a vehicle on the beach at Lakewood Beach the other day – they drove on that. Then the following morning which was Sunday we had a couple that drove on the beach behind the library, they got stuck on that and they had to be towed. Those people were actually from Quebec but they didn't do anything maliciously and they were very nice people and were very embarrassed and we had them towed out and again we did not ticket those people. We are going to put a sign up, we are going to order 2 signs and obviously we have to put something up that says no vehicle beyond this point because obviously people can't figure things out. I would like to thank the Police Department for the job that they have been doing. It has worked out very well and things have calmed dramatically. *Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska to accept the report. Yeas All./**SERVICE DIRECTOR: None./LAW DIRECTORS REPORT:** Law Director Graves reviewed legislation on the agenda and proposed. *Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska to accept the report. Yeas All.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY:

Mark J Erdei, 4015 Tennyson asked do we have any updates on how the Bowling Alley is coming along? Law Director Graves answered we did attend a mediation on that matter at the Common Pleas Court a couple of weeks ago and we are scheduled another session next week and I think we are very close to an agreeable resolution. Mr. Erdei continued do we have ideas or plans for that building once clear all the hurdles? Mayor Bring answered we will have to see what happens in the next meeting first before do anything, depends on which way it goes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None./NEW BUSINESS: *Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska to approve the Mayor's appointment of Jeff Herold to part-time police dispatcher. **ROLL CALL FOR APPROVAL:** Yeas All – Stark, Elliott, Kovach, Rosso, Belaska, Smith. *Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska to amend the agenda to include Council numbers 012 and 013. **ROLL CALL TO AMEND AGENDA:** Yeas All – Smith, Belaska, Rosso, Kovach, Elliott, Stark.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

- 1) Council#009 – EMERGENCY – an ordinance providing for the establishment and increase and decrease of certain funds within the annual appropriations ordinance of the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio and the declaring of an emergency.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska for **SUSPENSION OF RULES:**

ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Rosso, Kovach, Stark, Smith, Belaska, Elliott.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Kovach for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – Elliott, Belaska, Rosso, Smith, Stark, Kovach.

Ordinance Passes#9-12

- 2) Council#010 – FIRST READING – an ordinance amending section 1117.01 of the codified ordinances of Sheffield Lake regarding amendments and changes to the zoning code.

- 3) Council#011 – EMERGENCY – a resolution authorizing the City of Sheffield Lake to accept and approve the donation of two video Laryngoscopes to the Sheffield Lake Fire Department which have been designated for intubating patients that do not have control of their airway and the declaring of an emergency.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska for SUSPENSION OF RULES:

ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Smith, Belaska, Rosso, Kovach, Elliott, Stark.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – Stark, Rosso, Smith, Belaska, Elliott, Kovach.

Resolution Passes#10-12

- 4) Council#012 – EMERGENCY – a resolution for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor to file a FY2012 Community Housing Improvement Program Grant (CHIP) application with the Ohio Department of Development; and, declaring an emergency.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska for SUSPENSION OF RULES:

ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Rosso, Kovach, Elliott, Stark, Smith, Belaska.

*Motion by Elliott/Second by Belaska for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – Elliott, Rosso, Smith, Stark, Kovach, Belaska.

Resolution Passes#11-12

- 5) Council#013 – FIRST READING – an ordinance amending section 111.01, rule no. 13(4) of the codified ordinances of the City of Sheffield Lake regarding converting the Finance and Claims Committee to the Finance and Audit Committee.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: President Podmanik reminded if you can't attend a meeting, whatever meeting it is give a phone call so we at least know not to expect you.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach/Second by Belaska to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Yeas All.

CLERK OF COUNCIL AFFIRMATION: This Meeting Of The City Council 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 offices.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

Kay Fantauzzi

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Edward R Podmanik

and/or

I, Kay Fantauzzi, duly appointed Clerk of Council of Sheffield Lake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of Council of March 27, 2012.

COUNCIL PRO TEM

Richard Rosso

MAYOR

Dennis Bring