

**Minutes of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
March 4, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse Committee was held Monday, March 4, 2013. Chairman Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Elliott, Rosso, Stark, Smith, Kovach, Belaska, Erdei, McCullough,
Mayor Bring, Service Director Smith

*Motion by McCullough/Second by Belaska to accept the minutes of the February 4, 2013 meeting as presented with any corrections. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

SEWER CREDITS/UNPAID CHARGES FOR TAX DUPLICATE:

- a.) 5284 Lake Rd., in the amount of \$455.70 – after a brief discussion, *Motion by McCullough/Second by Belaska to approve sewer credit in the amount of \$455.70. Yeas All.
- b.) 761 Kenilworth, in the amount of \$61.74 – after a brief discussion, *Motion by Belaska/Second by Kovach to approve sewer credit in the amount of \$61.74. Yeas All.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Service Director Smith reported I have a few things for tonight. We will be installing a lateral and a cross street connection at Maplewood at the Ferndale intersection north of Ferndale. We are going to get that south part of the ditch on the east side and the west side flowing south which it does but instead of crossing the street and then marching north we are going to have it go right into a catch basin on Ferndale. That is something that is going to be happening here in the next few weeks. At Ferndale II we are installing BMP for stormwater and that way we can accommodate getting more fill dirt in, get the dozer over there and start continuing with our adding of fill. We have installed a drainage, approximately 500 feet of ditch running around the perimeter and going to the existing exiting storm pipe. The 4-wheel drive backhoe is 95% complete in its repairs, you know that we have been down in the Road Department. It was a large repair and we had to replace a complete axle on it and it should be on the road by the end of the week, it should be back in business with everything being done with it. There was some other odds and ends. The 2013 roads target list is still in evaluation, I am not done with it. It is still in process and I will have more information coming to you guys as soon as I know which I will be able to present to Council or Worksession. We have filed our SWP

plan to the Ohio EPA for municipal complex along with the other stormwater items that were required on the deadline target date of February 28th and we are continuing to move along and I will keep you informed as we make progress. As you know last year and the year before we started with the previous engineer and then continuing with the new engineer we started collecting data for the pump station flow issues giving us a foothold as to what data we would need to modify our sewer to eliminate back-up lines, overflow and SSO's into lake erie. In the next few weeks Bramhall Engineering will be conducting; actually it is going to be Tuesday – will be conducting a quick tour with a professor and the Sewer Department and we will be collecting certain data that they don't have yet as of right now but in conjunction with the stuff that we have already collected previously in the past several months. We are going to be putting together a hydrological model of our pump stations and our sewer flow; that is a computer model and is done with high tech and accuracy. We will be able to plug in to this model all kinds of changes, events and it will tell us what the outcome is thus giving us an idea of where to make the proper corrections to our system infrastructure wise. That way we can make capital improvement investment in certain areas. This is the way to do it, this is how things are done now and I am really, really excited that we are going to be able to do this. We did receive a notice of a possible illicit discharge on February 27th from the Ohio EPA concerning a complaint received from a Lakeview Drive resident in December concerning a sulfur like smell that he felt was coming from CEI after the news reports on television. The EPA did a field investigation of air quality looking for a sulfur like smell and it ended up in the new catch basin from Walker Road Phase III on the south corner of Lakeside and Walker Road where there is a stormwater catch basin and the sulfur like smell was coming from it. As a result and as required by NPDES permit which is issued to us through the Ohio EPA and the Federal Government we are required to perform an investigation. That investigation is on-going of water sampling and testing and we have until March 25th to come up with a summary of findings. At that point we will file that with the Ohio EPA and we will go from there. What I can tell you is that this situation has been an historic situation here with us over there with the smell of sulfur in the storm sewer. I have reports of it as far back as 1992 when Ford was built. So the water sampling should give us a direct indicator as to exactly where the point source is coming from. Again I will keep this committee advised. As a reminder, the refuge rate contract year starting May 1st there will be a 3.5% increase – that is 66 cents from 18.83 to 19.49 and that will go into effect and that is a scheduled rate increase. It will be in effect for the billing starting May 1st of this year. Councilperson Belaska asked wasn't there something that Bill Gardner did about 3 years ago or so? Mayor Bring answered that was Ferndale. Councilperson Belaska asked wasn't that a sulfur smell? Service Director Smith answered it was slag, one of the contractors was using slag as fill/slag when it is not pre-washed, pre-conditioned can give off a sulfur like smell. Councilman McCullough asked my wife has complained about that smell

at the Amvets catch basin in their lot and she had asked and she was told that they were told it was Ford and this has been going on for years. So I know that that smell is all the way down at 530 Abbe Road. Service Director Smith advised one of the sampling points that was changed and added today was the entrance point into the Abbe Road storm sewer from the retention basins on Abbe Road directly across the street from where Kerry is talking about. Test points were added there and in Shoemaker Ditch on Oster Road. Councilman McCullough asked when are we going to get the 2013 road list? Councilman Erdei asked remember you mentioned about that company that was coming in to do our pump stations but they didn't have long enough equipment, what is going on with that? Service Director Smith answered we postponed the sediment removal from the pump stations, the result of that is also going to be included into the hydrological model. This model that I talked about earlier, it is so cool. In the model they will actually be able to shut 1 pump off and watch what happens to the complete system just from 1 pump being shut off. We will be able to turn 2 pumps at 1 time in the system and literally see where the back-up occurs, which streets, which tie-ins and everything else. This is new school and the City of Amherst was involved in something like this recently and they actually eliminated their stormwater discharges from their sanitary into their creek which comes through there where they have their NPDES permit for and it was a big deal. Service Director Smith advised Councilman McCullough that he would need a report in writing on the sulfur smell at Amvets. Councilman Erdei stated the road is caving in just past Howell and Tennyson, there is a humungous ditch right there. If somebody turns the corner, it is caved in and about a foot and a half deep. Service Director Smith stated I will take a look at it. Councilman Smith asked when somebody wants to fill their ditch, once it is done you guys keep the elevations on file? Service Director Smith answered there is usually a drawing that Pat keeps because they can't fill it in until after it was checked unless of course it was one of these pirated jobs that we catch after the fact. Councilman Smith asked do we require some sort of a clean-out or catch basin? Service Director Smith answered suppose to, yes. With every full length yard, rule of thumb – well it is actually 200 feet. Councilman Smith asked so if I want to find out if somebody actually got the drawings to do it or just did it on a Saturday, how do I find that out? Service Director Smith answered if you are talking about the house that is south on Hollywood on the west side of the road south of Ivanhoe? Councilman Smith answered no I am talking about the house on the east side of them. The only reason I ask is because when it rains drive down that road, they have got dirt and mud and they filled it up. That road is being destroyed. Service Director Smith answered we have already looked at that house and it is a long section of pipe and he was supposed to put in 2 standups and he did not. I was there with Pat once and Pat is still working with it. He left his standups off and we went and investigated that already. Councilman Smith stated I was wondering how they got inspected before they filled it in on a Saturday and nobody is

working – that is twice. Service Director Smith explained if the hole is open and the elevations of the pipe were set by Pat and they did their fill-in the following day. A lot of times the people will dig the hole and lay the pipe one day and then come back the following day with fill. Councilman Smith stated I don't think that happened but my only thing is if you want to see what water does to a road, drive down Hollywood on the 700 block and you can see what standing water on a road does because that road is destroyed now. Service Director Smith advised the gentleman does have to put 2 stand-ups in there. Councilperson Belaska stated you know Bill Watkins and Terry Watkins over there, can anybody still purchase to buy the sewer and build it in. Instead of them cutting into the grass and to the ditch, can that get all filled if people wanted to buy? Service Director Smith advised we don't do the front ditch work anymore. Bill Gardner used to do that but we don't do that, we only have an ordinance that allows to put in pipe for a driveway.

OLD BUSINESS: *Ditch cleanings; Day Ditch by Holl/Shoemaker Ditch – north of Richelieu, east side by Buckeye* – Service Director Smith advised nothing new but I will be bringing forth our plan on how we are going to approach things.

NEW BUSINESS: President Rosso asked Len, every sewer credit you review before it comes over here? Service Director Smith answered yes. President Rosso advised Chairman Elliott to just allow the Service Director to give a brief review of the sewer credit and his recommendation rather than taking the time to read through the stories people write. President Rosso advised just to let everyone know that Councilwoman Belaska has turned in her resignation effective the end of March.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee,
*Motion by Kovach/Second by Belaska to adjourn at 7:30 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.

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Kay Fantauzzi

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Eric S Elliott

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Rick Rosso

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 March 4, 2013.