

**Minutes of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
June 3, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse Committee was held Monday, June 3, 2013. Chairman Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Elliott, Kovach, Erdei, McCullough, Smith, Cizl, Mayor Bring, Service Director Smith, Law Director Graves

Absent: President Rosso, Stark (excused)

Attending: Concerned Citizens

*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to accept the minutes of the May 13, 2013 meeting as presented with any corrections. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

SEWER CREDITS/UNPAID CHARGES FOR TAX DUPLICATE: Service Director Smith reviewed requests and gave recommendations.

- a.) *249 Erieview Blvd., in the amount of \$341.04 – **TABLED. No further information as of 6/3/13.***
- b.) *773 Lake Breeze Rd., for the amount of \$64.68 – Service Director Smith advised I have no indication on the material submitted of what the actual leak was and only after notification to check the toilets did the leak stop. I can only assume it was the toilet, the tenant did not notify the owner and I do not recommend as I have no indication that this did not go down the drain. The actual door hanger is attached there that the owner returned to the city that the tenant left inside the house and if you notice on it it states to check your toilets. It was a rental unit. *Motion by McCullough/Second Erdei to deny the credit for 773 Lake Breeze Rd., in the amount of \$64.68. Yeas All.*
- c.) *4875 Southwood Drive., for the amount of \$355.32 – Service Director Smith advised I know it sounds kind of simplistic but I do recommend this sewer credit and the reason I do this claim is backed up by numerous service calls by the Water Department personnel to and from the house and several notifications by the lady of the issues to please come back out and check which we did. Notification for finding the spigot on or leaking and dripping and that was documented and it actually had on file who which was Jason who handled the service call. In this situation I think that they were preoccupied with other issues and did not even think about going out at the time to look at the spigot dripping. I would have to recommend this as I feel it would have just gone*

down in the yard. After a brief discussion on total sewer charge, *Motion by McCullough/Second by Erdei to approve the sewer credit of \$355.32 for 4875 Southwood Drive. Yeas All.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Service Director Smith reported the 2013 road lists should be started towards the second half of this month but an exact start date I do not have but as soon as it get a little closer I will let you know. They is all according to Griffith Paving, we will be doing 18 of the 20 of the target streets that are on the target list approved by Council. The last 2; #19 and #20 will be put on the 2014 default list. We have had several mechanical breakdowns with the patch box over the last week and a half that of which lead to the original delay on Lake Breeze and the most recent being an ignition problem with the flamer. Rob is working on it, he redid the whole wiring on everything but we are using it. It is not right and we might end having a delay or two, a day here or there depending on how it works but he has got it working. So this whole week they are out patching and the goal is to get completely through the whole town from one end to the other so we get caught up on everything. Due to the new water bill format its first run issues; meaning all the issues we had with the envelopes and the mail back and all that stuff. We also had 2 scheduled increases that went on the water bill. I unfortunately was unable to stop the rebate of the \$2.00 credit in time before we caught it. I take full responsibility for that, it is corrected and in conference with the Finance Director we decided to make the correction in one month; do it in one billing so after this month's bill everything is corrected. So that is why there is a \$6.00 charge on the bill where the \$2.00 credit was. We have had a lot of calls but people have been very understanding, there have been a couple that were really upset but a lot more people are very understanding about it. I originally thought maybe we should wait and split and do half when we do the July water rate increase from Avon Lake which is scheduled for July billing as a start July 1st. So the end of July we will be able to bill for the increase water rate do it then but Tammy kind of figured that it was imperative that we correct it immediately. That is the nature of what that was. We are working with Bramhall on the stormwater map, the stormwater map is a requirement NPDES permit and that is the federal permit that allows us to bypass into Lake Erie when our sewer systems go into overflow. This permit is regulated by Ohio EPA for the federal EPA. The sewer map was identified in the stormwater audit as a requirement of our NPDES permit, it is in a GIS format and it is a work in progress and we are working on it. We should have it before the end of the year, before our deadline we should be good to go. At the end of this year our NPDES permit is up for renewal. One other thing on the Ohio EPA the one other major item besides the functional items that we have to build or actually put in the ground is a long term operational maintenance contract being developed for future stormwater facilities which are things like retention/detention basins, bio-swales; things like that, all these different stormwater structures. When they are put on a property of an acre or more require a long term contract between the City of

Sheffield Lake and the owner to maintain the facility. David is working on that, he has a copy of the one that we are going to do and we should have that coming to soon. Sanitary data collection for pump station modeling is also on-going with Bramhall Engineering. If you see surveyors and people down there on Lake Road for the pump stations, that is what they are doing – they are getting actual dimensions of certain areas and that will all be used in the modeling. We currently the sewer camera out of the blue van and it is now in the painted enclosed trailer. We just need to have it hooked up and outfitted for operational use. The water guys got that all handled and then the blue dump is back in service for the Water Department. It was out of service with a fuel issue. As a side note, I was assured today by Joe Faga of Ohio Edison that the pole and the underground service wire coming off of Lake Road for the Civic Center will be done this month. Councilman Erdei advised Len when we had the old Speedway there it always flooded on that west corner, I am looking at the way the concrete was poured – did we ever correct that? Service Director Smith answered we corrected from the east side of that entrance all the way down past the car wash and down the hill. We still have to jet the west side/bank side and the corner on the west side but we will be doing that. Councilman Erdei asked the sewer pipes looking pretty good shape? Service Director Smith answered yes we had to replace a section of it down east of Speedway right there where you have a cone. You can still see where 2 sections of road were dug up – they were both collapsed pipes. Councilman Erdei asked the street sweeper, I was coming down Lake Breeze and I see all these people where the sewers are all clogged with dry leaves and grass cuttings. Don't these people get it that they are supposed to not blow stuff into the streets and that? Service Director Smith answered we just swept them all Mark, we just swept them all in the last 2 weeks – the curb streets, with the exception of Lake Breeze and Holl and those down there. Ferndale was done complete; the ash trees droppings, grass clippings. I had one Water guy who went out of his way and stopped to a resident who was blowing his grass into the road, the Water Department guy advised him sir you know you shouldn't be blowing it into the street as it goes into the storm drains. The guy went off and almost drug him out of the truck to beat his butt. I actually had to scold the Water guy because it is not his duty to stop and tell a resident not to do that. We have to work within the confines of the law as to what authorities we actually have in order to do that. Councilman Erdei stated then they are the first ones to complain when the street floods because there is sewer in front of their houses. Service Director Smith advised some people just seem to think it blows away and I don't know the reason because I am not one of them. Councilman McCullough asked when was the credit supposed to end? Service Director Smith answered February. Councilman McCullough asked when was our first new bill? Service Director Smith answered March, that is what I am trying to say there was a lot going on over that period. I am not saying it all happened on the same day. I am just saying there is a lot involved when you make a change to do that at the same time when the girls are

doing billing. I lost track of that because I was worried about some of the other things that are going on over there. That is why I say I take full responsibility for it and I am dealing with it. Councilman McCullough stated sidewalk, Columbia Gas – I wasn't there this is second hand but tore up the sidewalk at the corner of Lake Breeze and Ivanhoe – when are they going to fix that? Service Director Smith answered they are in the town every day doing that, I will get a definitive answer on that for you. Councilman McCullough stated that is kind of making a mess there on the corner. Service Director Smith advised I have a contact on it, I actually had the Water guys go over there because that corner as you know has as built in it and it is necessarily what OOPS has – it has as built, so I sent the Water guys over there to offer some suggestions to Columbia Gas as to what might be underground there. Councilman McCullough asked another question, with all the rain that we got over the weekend how did East/West drain? Service Director Smith advised no problems that I am aware of on East/West Drives. Actually I was out on Sunday – cars are off and it does seem that it is making a big difference. As a matter of fact I have been doing this in the evenings is taking notes of the areas where there is cars. East Drive has been fantastic except for the very south end – there is 2 cars at the very south end of East Drive towards South Street. I believe it is Kenilworth south of Ferndale has 2 cars that are parked on it and the house on Lake Road is the other one.

OLD BUSINESS: *Ditch cleanings; Day Ditch by Holl/Shoemaker Ditch – north of Richelieu, east side by Buckeye* – Service Director Smith stated I have talked to several of the homeowners over there recently and explained to them what our plan is, it just comes down to manpower, resources and timing. I think our ditching capability and cleaning of our easement areas are going to be a lot better this year.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee,
*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:26 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

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
Eric S Elliott

COUNCIL PRESIDENT
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 June 3, 2013.

and/or

COUNCIL PRO TEM

Eric S Elliott