

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO
May 21, 2013**

The regular meeting of the City Council Worksession was held Tuesday, May 21, 2013. Council Pro Tem Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Elliott, Kovach, Stark, Erdei, Smith, McCullough, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Service Director Smith, Law Director Graves
Absent: President Rosso, Treasurer Woods (excused)
Attending: Members of the Media

PRESENTATIONS: None.

*******COMMITTEES*******

ROADS & DRAINS: None./SAFETY: None./BUILDINGS, LANDS, VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT: None./ORDINANCE: None./FINANCE: None./PARK BOARD: None.

*******ADMINISTRATIVE*******

MAYOR: None./FINANCE DIRECTOR: None./SERVICE DIRECTOR: Service Director Smith explained I dealt with 2 complaints today and one has to do with the question that Mr. Erdei has asked repeatedly about over the last 2 weeks and that had to do with the Lake Breeze cutout on asphalt. He could not understand why it hasn't been taken care of yet. We have had 15 working days since the asphalt plant opened up, when we got to doing all 4 Lake Breeze cutouts – there were from water breaks. We got through to the second one with our saw and the saw broke and couldn't be repaired. We coned off the sites that we had done, we used caution tape and ribboned them off so the cars wouldn't go them. That night we lost 8 cones that were stolen. Two days later we coned it with a minimum couple other cones which were stolen again. Then had a resident who was extremely irate that he hit the chuck holes this morning and we haven't been fixing them. Just so everybody understands we don't like leaving a hole or a cutout un-repaired if we can't do it. We did take action and of course the general public doesn't know the internal actions that we take to address an issue. We used the Water Department's concrete saw, we didn't have the sled for it to make the cuts so I purchased one immediately so we could do the cutouts and at that point we were already looking at the asphalt machine since we had a little bit of downtime before we refilled it when we noticed both lead springs were broken. So the vehicle was unsafe to fill with asphalt. We immediately moved ahead of anything else in the Service Department and ripped it apart and got on it and we will have it back in service on Monday. This is the adversity that we deal with every now and again and in this situation we are going to use barricades this time but tomorrow they will probably be barricaded instead of coned. We are limited by the assets that we

have. I know Mark has brought this up because he evidently has complaints about it. We should have our asphalt trailer back in operation Monday or Tuesday and the rest of the cutouts over there on Lake Breeze are top priorities. The street list; it looks as if the quantity breakdowns that we got we are going to be able to get 18 of the 20 done this year. So that is very good and I will be bringing more to you as time goes on. Councilman McCullough asked the permanent improvement funds from the Water and Sewer; capital improvement off our increases that we did, are we starting to make a headway where we can put together a plan to start fixing infrastructure? Service Director Smith answered yes we will be developing a long range plan and we will actually be facilitating the city engineers in developing that. Currently to give you an example with the sewer capital improvement, we have Bramhall Engineering working with us with the hydrological model on all 3 pump stations. You will see them down on Lake Road by the pump stations – they are taking measurements and getting all the data that is going to be used in the hydrological model and that we will be able to plug in data and then know what we can or cannot do or whether or not it is something that we can do to affect the system to get a certain outcome. Councilman McCullough asked so the money we are collecting we are spending towards fixing the problems? Service Director Smith answered yes sir. Councilman McCullough asked where does the money come from when you have a problem on Lake Breeze to fix the road? Does that come from the Road Department? Service Director Smith answered yes. Councilman McCullough asked why it was a water problem that caused it, why is it not coming from the Water Department? Service Director Smith answered the Water Department fills the hole up flush and then the driving surface we take care of? There was a brief discussion on understanding fund sources which was clarified and also that this is a main road and heavily traveled./**SAFETY**

DIRECTOR: Mayor Bring advised we had a little episode on Saturday and we were extremely fortunate that it wasn't worse than what it what it was. We had a gentleman going down Lake Road and decided to take out one of our telephone poles. The trouble shooter that came out that I talked to said that if that pole would have tipped over we probably would have had a huge fire and it was pretty bad. I was there at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and I was there for about 2-1/2 hours and I came back at 7 at night and they had 6 large trucks and 2 small trucks and they did not get that pole back up until 1 o'clock in the morning. We had Lake Road coned off at 2 o'clock in the afternoon until 1 o'clock in the morning. We are very fortunate, it could have been far worse. All we lost was a pole and Tom Erwin's mailbox./**LAW**

DIRECTOR: Law Director Graves advised we did meet with the consultant today who will be preparing our wetlands delineation study in regard to the Brookside Nature Trail extension. The grant we received from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails program. The Service Director and I did go out today with him and things look pretty good. We are going to be able to hopefully navigate our way through all the bureaucratic agencies that we need to do. The other thing I wanted to report on is I have been working with Patty Lines whose our CHIP coordi-

nator who has provided me with an awful lot of data for a city housing study and we will be putting that together along with some legislation designating the city as a community reinvestment area and I will be having to you probably the next Council meeting. Once that is passed, it will be sent down to Columbus for their review and hopefully at that point we will be able to start offering tax abatement agreements for potential businesses that want new construction expansion in the city. The state has stated it is okay to use other road monies and there are other road funds other than the income tax fund which will not be touched which we can use to make our match.

/COMMUNICATIONS: None./OLD BUSINESS: Charter Review Board – Law Director Graves advised to convene would be a simple majority but I want to make one other point in regards to this – yes we are supposed to have this Charter Review Board to consider changes to the Charter but that does not conclude Council from recommending Charter changes itself and that is what we have done in the past. You don't have to wait for a Charter Review Commission to amend the Charter. Council-at-Large vacant seat; *Motion by McCullough/Second by Erdei to go into executive session to consider the appointment of a public official. ROLL CALL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Yeas All – Erdei, McCullough, Kovach, Smith, Stark, Elliott. *Motion by McCullough/Second by Erdei to return to regular session. ROLL CALL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Yeas All.

Law Director Graves advised let the record reflect that the City Council of City of Sheffield Lake did adjourn to executive session for the discussion of the appointment of a public official pursuant to the Sunshine Laws./**NEW BUSINESS: None.**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Councils Agenda –

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach/Second by Smith to adjourn at 8:28 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/COMMITTEES
Kay Fantauzzi

COUNCILPRESIDENT
Rick Rosso

and/or

COUNCIL PRO TEM
Eric S Elliott

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 WORKSESSION of May 21, 2013.

MAYOR
Dennis Bring