

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL  
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO  
February 11, 2014**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, February 11, 2014. Council President Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

**THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY: *Kay Fantauzzi***, who then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Present: Rosso, Stark, Kovach, McCullough, Erdei, Cizl, Wtulich, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Service Director Smith, Law Director Graves, Fire Chief Card

Absent: Councilman Smith, Treasurer Woods (excused)

Attending: Concerned Citizens, Firefighters; Lt. Brian Davis, Demolition Board Chairperson Gee, Members of the Media

**READING OF THE MINUTES:**

*Council – January 28, 2014* - \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2014 Council meeting. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

*Monthly report of court receipts for month of January 2014 - \$9279.00.* Receive and file.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

*Jonathan Wright presented proposals for city parks* – Mr. Jonathan Wright reported I presented in front of the Park Board and Mayor Bring and Director Smith were present and we talked about the income tax issue that failed last November and putting it back on the ballot here in May. I presented a way that I believe I could be of assistance in helping to get the issue passed. I presented to the Park Board a gathering of information; images like you see and numbers and presenting to the community not only the past issue but with the addition of putting equipment in the parks. So Mayor Bring and Mrs. Smith and I sat down and we talked about how to put it together and the type of equipment and we targeted a few parks of which there were 4 to be specific that we considered to be the main parks in the community and what type of equipment that we want to put out there. Also a basic level of costs that it would be and how to present it. So getting into it and what I am proposing is these types of equipment (submitted illustrations) in the different parks and we basically talked about one skate plaza; not a full blown skate park with bowls and all that thing but a nice centralized spot where kids could go skate and recreate and have a good time and it could be managed. Picnic

pavilions at 4 different parks and playgrounds at 3 out of the 4 parks. We talked about equipment that would be sustainable, long-lasting, made of heavy duty materials, maintenance would be very minimum. The skate plaza would primarily be made of concrete with some steel implements and the picnic pavilions would be all steel. The playgrounds would be steel and plastic like you would normally see but we talked about having the surface be a rubber material like re-poured rubber that way there is no on-going costs or maintenance for it and it is a good clean look and will serve the community for years. What I also wanted to do if you turn the page, I wanted to put together flyers of the two would be the third page would be something that I would out to basically whatever private establishments that would allow that is kind of calling out to the community asking them to vote for it and explaining what they would get voting for it. Hopefully the attraction of course instead of just giving up more of their money in income tax and we all know why and that is that it is pretty critical that it passes but also there will be tangible things that they receive in the community by way of park equipment. The page 4 is something that I wanted to put together such as a poster to put here in city hall and maybe put something on the website and this one we are not necessarily calling out to people and asking for anything – it is an explanation of what is now included in an issue. So basically tonight I am asking essentially for approval to put these things into that ballot issue in May and approval to use these, for lack of better term; marketing materials around town to try to help with the passage of this ballot issue. Mayor Bring summarized we looked at this and we talked for a couple of hours the other day and Jonathan has been coming to most of our Park Board meetings and we have been talking about some of the people that came to express their feelings of why they didn't vote for the last levy because of the parks and some of the other things and I know we have a number of parks in our community that we maintain by mowing and doing everything but we really don't have any equipment. So Jonathan came to us and did a proposal and this is nothing that we can promise to everybody but it is something that we are looking to possibly do and this would take a number of years to actually get this done. You couldn't do all these at one time but this is something that we are looking into actively to make the community better and to give the residents with children some place to go to be able to take their kids and enjoy the parks instead of just walking around in the grass and stuff. Jonathan has taken the time to look at this and I told him to come down tonight to show you guys and like I said these are nothing that is being promised because there is much details of going into but it is something that we are actively looking into to to help this community grow a little bit better. I know that he has asked to put this out there to promote the income tax with this equipment and stuff but I didn't know how else to bring it to you guys so we thought we do a little presentation. President Rosso advised I don't know necessarily that Council

needs to take any action to include this and the campaign of the income tax. I know the Fire union wants to get involved so obviously it needs to be a development of a committee to do that and I think that is the place that makes that decision. I don't really know that Council needs to take any action to allow that but I guess the real question is does anybody on Council oppose doing something like this. Finance Director Smith stated that is more of what we were looking for. President Rosso stated this is more of an informational than any sort of action. Finance Director Smith stated so what are your thoughts on some park improvements? Councilman McCullough stated things that stick out of my head real quick is, you said 3 out of 4 parks? Mr. Wright answered we had targeted when we talked about putting this together and running numbers to see the total costs, we targeted 4 of the main parks. We assumed work to be done in Guenther, Gary Green, Ferndale and Freedom Parks. They are the largest parks and they are pretty much parks that are located centrally and largest populated areas and they all have a strong need for equipment. So 3 out of 4 when I said that I was talking specifically about playgrounds because Gary Green has pretty well established playground there. We talked about the skate plaza at Gary Green and then pavilions at all 4 and basketball courts also. We worked in a bunch of things; park benches, trash cans, a couple of basketball courts, concrete pads underneath the pavilions with picnic tables under those. Places where the community could have birthday parties – things like that and people can spend time together at the parks. Councilman McCullough stated so the ancillary parks like Memorial and Shell Cove and Erie Shore – so we are not looking at doing anything with those. Finance Director Smith stated it is not a plan that can't be expanded, we are just trying to be realistic upfront. Councilman Kovach advised we have been Jon for quite some time; several years now. If you will notice the parks that they are working on are what we call the inland parks – they have more a feel for the neighborhoods, each one is primarily suited to each ward. The other ones that you are referring to Kerry are all lakefront parks with the exception of Erie Shore which is kind of a landlocked small park. The ones on the lakefront and to the northern end excluding Memorial are lakefront and they kind of have purposes already set to them where as Lakewood Beach has some lakefront access for swimming like a public beach. Of course the Community is boat launch at this point. We also have the park which is at the Community Center which is not necessarily but it is lake view and Shell Cove again is one with exactly the same - lake view. The ones they worked are primarily and this is what we have been working on the set up like this for years are the inland parks which are basically for the wards, broken down by ward. You can get the kids to come and probably if you put a skate park or skate plaza whatever you want to call it at Gary Green – that probably will attract more people or kids to that for that purpose but the refurbishing of like basketball courts and

whatever you are doing at Guenther would be more primarily more for the ward 1 community – not that other kids won't come, it is more local and they can ride their bikes up there and they can walk to them and so on and so forth to the second ward, third ward and fourth wards. Councilman McCullough stated this is what we would do because we would have the money to go out and get some type of grant. In other words, we are not going to finance parks. Finance Director Smith advised we can write grants, we can get a long term bond – we don't want to hurt our Safety Forces with this but we want it to blend and give something tangible back. Councilman McCullough stated but if somebody ask and they go well what about this park still, we can say if you pass it we are not going to finance the parks with it but it gives us the opportunity to get any matching funds or any grants that we have to put in for. Councilman Kovach stated for the sake of that one and I can interject on most of this because it has been my life blood for almost 20 years now. Jonathan presents us continuously with grant paperwork's that are available. Jonathan has been very good and has brought us almost on a monthly basis up-to-date on what was available. Most cases it didn't fit our bill because there was a lot of times it was matching funds which we don't have. Councilman Erdei stated I think it is a great idea especially for the younger couples moving into our town. There really isn't much available and the older kids they are pretty well sit in their ways but for the toddlers and that we don't really have nothing in safe equipment to have them play on. Plus I like the pavilion idea big time because you go into other communities and on a summer day there is birthday parties or reunions or anniversaries and the kids go off and play. It is a great atmosphere so I am all for it and when you do put flyers up I will be the first one to take them to all the stores in our city and get them posted and say this is what could actually happen. We are not guaranteeing it but this is what the city is looking forward to and I think it is great. I hear a lot of parents say there is nothing really for the toddlers to do. Councilman Cizl stated I appreciate the communication and getting this and I think it is a great idea including it in with the income tax just to get the community to see okay what are we getting. They don't tangibly see Safety Forces although we all know they do a lot but to see a park and see things like that I think that is great. We kind of have like a playground over at Gary Green Park right and at the soccer fields over at Guenther but other than the soccer fields? Mayor Bring advised we have a basketball court there but we would like to take that court down as Jonathan and I were talking because it is actually in the wrong spot and if you are going to take it down and put a new one up because right now the poles are leaning and everything and the blacktop is bad and it kind of interferes with the soccer fields. So if you are going to start doing things you would want to move it and get it done right, move it over to the other area and that way like Jonathan said to us all the kids would be concentrated in one place because right now you got kids playing and the parents

are way over on the other side and they can't keep track of them. Right now, now a days you want to see where your kids are at 24/7. So there was different ideas that we kicked around and everything but that was one of them. Councilman Cizl stated I think that is an ideal spot for a playground because like you just mentioned when kids are playing soccer there is always little ones running around. President Rosso stated they have some playground equipment there right; swing sets? Mayor Bring answered yes there is some there. Councilman Cizl asked what do we have at Ferndale? Mr. Wright answered a swing set, a slide, a crawl tube. Councilman Kovach included the tube you got us from NASA. Mr. Wright continued and there is also the dinosaur slide. President Rosso stated yes Mr. Smith will insure that the dino slide stays in these parks even with the hole in the head. Councilman Kovach stated we do have 2 of those. Councilman Cizl stated I know we don't have Ferndale II anymore as I know the trail is coming through there. I think pavilions in all parks are a great idea. Thank You very much for the ideas. President Rosso stated thank you very much for the time you have put in with the Park Board as I know it is all volunteer and it is greatly appreciated.

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**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer and Refuse:** Chairman Cizl reviewed the minutes of the February 3, 2014 meeting. \*Motion by Erdei/Second by Stark to accept the report. Yeas All./**Safety:** Chairperson Stark reviewed the minutes of the February 5, 2014 meeting. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to accept the report. Yeas All./**Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment:** Chairman McCullough reviewed the minutes of the February 6, 2014 meeting. Councilman Cizl asked regarding the donation of land, I am sure the city is real happy about receiving it but is there anything the city can do with it, would they possibly sell it to a buyer? Councilman McCullough answered I think at that point that it is actually right near a right of way that might be in the best interest of the city just to hang on to it for a little bit to make sure. That sits right on that right of way of Hawthorne I think. Councilman Cizl stated I thought most of the time they would sell it to the neighbors, have they tried that? Councilman McCullough answered I think it has to come to Council and if they are donating it to the city? Law Director Graves advised from time to time we have people donate parcels where maybe they inherited it, I think that might be the case here. They don't want to pay the taxes, we really can't do anything with it and the city pretty much just holds onto them. If we are approached by somebody wanting to buy it and then Council could consider selling it. \*Motion by Stark/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All./**Ordinance:** Chairman Kovach reviewed the minutes of the February 6, 2014 meeting. \*Motion by Stark/Second by McCullough to accept the report. Yeas All./**Finance & Audit:**

**None./Council Representative to the Joyce Hanks Community Center:**  
**None./Council Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals: None./Council**  
**Representative to the Planning Commission: None./Council Representative to**  
**the Park Board: None.**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**MAYORS REPORT:** Mayor Bring reported just one thing, I was called yesterday about a water break for a rental property and we sent one of workers out there and it was after hours. They get a minimum of 3 hours time when they get called out and getting over to that house, our employee reported back to me saying that the water should have been shut off and it was actually slightly turned back on and the main valve had been leaking. In discussing that with our employees we have had numerous calls like this lately especially now with the winter time being very cold and we have had breaks inside some of these houses and we are getting called at all hours of the morning and night and our guys are going out there to shut that water off. I think I am going to bring that to Worksession for discussion on how to move forward on that. I haven't even said anything to David because I forgot to talk to him about it today. I think there should be maybe some kind of a charge that we charge these people for after hours like this because if we are paying our employees probably \$40.00 or close to that – that is \$120.00 I think we should have some kind of a charge on that. I need to talk to you guys about that and see what your thoughts are and I will get more information on that but I know we have had numerous breaks with that sort of thing and it is kind of getting out of hand. I don't think that the city – we have our residents that we maintain which we should do but when we start getting the rental properties and getting called at 8 o'clock or 2:30 in the morning or a real-a-tor that goes over on a Sunday and finds out that the property has flooded or leaking because somebody is messing around with that or just for the fact of lack of maintenance. Lack of maintenance is not our problem so I think that we should take a look at that and kind of have a discussion on it.

\*Motion by McCullough/Second by Stark to accept the report. Yeas

**All./FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT:** Finance Director reported I received from the Board of Elections the total charges we incurred for our 2 elections last year and this will give us a good idea of what we are going to pay in May as well. For the May primary we are charged \$1548.92 and the November was \$1479.75. Again depending on how many other issues are on the ballot is how we get charged accordingly so I would venture to say we are going to be around the \$1500.00 range for this year which we won't be charged until next year. Which brings me to the appropriation changes that I have before you tonight because I really had no idea what we were going to be charged since we hadn't anything on the ballot for so long. I was a little shy on my original appropriations for the year for the election

costs. So I have asked for an increase there of \$2000.00. I don't think we are going to use all of that but I wanted to make sure, if we don't use it it doesn't go anywhere. Also I have found a web designer that is going to babysit and keep an eye on our website/redesign it/upgrade it/add some more interacting things/make it more user friendly and teach a bunch of us how to put things on – all our Department Heads and everything. I was hoping that we could use and I could wait until later in the year but the poor site is such bad shape right now that I think that it desperately needs some help and I was looking to see if we could use some of the capital projects revenue – the internet café money and I have asked for \$5000.00 there. Again he is very reasonable and if we don't use it it won't get spent but I just wanted to have it. I really think we need to put a conservative effort into our website because we have gotten many complaints and I can certainly understand why. We are going to have like an interactive calendar and we may even allow some of our local businesses to put events on our calendar as well so it can be more of a community calendar. But he doesn't work for free either. President Rosso asked I thought we had used all our internet café money on the ambulance? Finance Director Smith answered no we still have funds. Mayor Bring advised we didn't spend it all. Finance Director Smith advised we are using it in very small increments. President Rosso stated they must not have been shut down until after we spent that money for that, so we probably still had some money coming in. I pretty much wrote them off a while ago. Finance Director Smith advised but it is nice to have a little bit of a fall back and especially that I really would like to get a jump on this. Otherwise we are going to have to wait until much later in the year. Councilman Cizl stated do we collect money from cable franchise, we used to years ago from Roadrunner? Finance Director Smith answered yes we still do. Councilman Cizl asked from WOW too? Finance Director Smith answered yes, they pay us quarterly. I haven't got the last quarter of the year from WOW yet. They are still playing catch-up, they gave us a check in the fall as well. Councilman Cizl stated I was just wondering if it could be funding that? Finance Director Smith answered that goes to fund the general fund, that is one of the many things that funds the general fund and thank goodness we have that at this point because we would really be in some sad shape. Councilman Cizl stated in means of communicating, we are getting money from cable to communicate in using that money in putting things on the website. You know people watch. Finance Director Smith stated in the future I hope that we will have a few extra dollars to keep up and make the website something to be proud of which it is not at this time. Councilman Cizl asked do we have to do a posting or anything like that when we look for someone to do websites? Finance Director Smith answered I did quite a bit of research and talked to quite a few people and he is very competent. Law Director Graves stated it would be below the limit where it would have to be bid

to, just be informal quotes. President Rosso stated it is not like a city job. Councilman Cizl stated right I agree but I just didn't know with so many people doing websites today, it is good to know. Finance Director Smith advised again we are going to give him a shot and if it doesn't work out we will seek someone else. Mayor Bring advised we didn't gain anything by getting WOW, any extra money for cable service. It just off-set out other supplier. We are still getting the same amount of money. Law Director Graves advised they are both at 5%, so if you think about it if someone switched from Time Warner and goes to WOW it is just the same money – not additional funds. Councilman Cizl asked is there anything decreased, I noticed it says established, increase and decrease? Finance Director Smith answered yes that is generic wording that has to be there. Councilman McCullough asked I have just one question when it comes to the website, has anybody looked into word press? Finance Director Smith answered our's is set up with word press. Councilman McCullough asked then why are we not doing it? Finance Director Smith answered that is exactly what I have plans on doing, this web master will be tutoring our department heads so that they can add their own and we will be able to add our own. Kerry – we don't have anybody that is here that has enough time to spend that has the knowledge that can dedicate to this at this time. I am not saying that we are going to keep him forever, I just wanted to get it up and running and going. Finance Director Smith continued I noticed the other day and I interacted with Mr. Cizl, I know he posted something about information that gets left on the copiers when we trade them in because they have a hard drive – they are a computer. I reassured Mr. Cizl that I have known about this for many, many years and the last 2 copiers that we actually traded in that had hard drives I had certifications that those hard drives were destroyed. So any information that we would copy and that has to do with employment data, social security numbers or any income tax data – any of that was all destroyed and I have the certifications when we trade in our copiers. Just so you know because I know that there is some video out there of how they can buy a used copier for \$300.00 and take the hard drive out and start looking and as a matter of fact they used an example of a Police Department in a city where they took all sorts of crazy information off of there. I just wanted if that came up, Mr. Cizl had a question. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Stark to accept the report. Yeas All.

***/TREASURER REPORT: None./SERVICE DIRECTORS REPORT:***

Councilperson Stark asked the solar panels on top of the Community Center, with all of the ice and snow and really bad weather how are they holding up? Service Director Smith answered good they are designed to hold up. Councilman Cizl stated Len I am glad you are back and I am glad that you feel better and all that but when we got our Police report and our Fire report – do we get Service reports annually. The reason I ask this I don't believe none of us knew how long it takes to

shovel the city. I didn't know if there was anything that you have done in the past or is this something that you could do in the future. Service Director Smith answered I could if you want me to but then again too I give detailed mini reports because I go to so many different committees; Buildings & Lands, Vehicles, Equipment – I try to break into that, Roads & Drains – break it down into them and if you notice there is a lot of minutes in those committees. Councilman Cizl stated right and I appreciate that, I only ask that because like on the Police report how much crime has taken place – when Tony did that, like certain times of the day and it was really interesting. I am not asking you to do one. \*Motion by Stark/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All./**SAFETY DIRECTORS REPORT:** Mayor Bring advised I am actually going to turn this over to Fire Chief Card. I think many of you know that there was a terrible tragedy in the City of Toledo the other day where 2 Firemen lost their lives and Mr. Card and a couple of his men went to that. Fire Chief Card advised unfortunately we had 2 Firemen die and the Mayor allowed us to take one of our engines and be part of that service. It is an unfortunate thing but we were there and we were able to honor the 2 guys. I would just to ask if it would be okay for a moment of silence for them. After a moment of silence he continued if anyone wants to donate their website is [Toledofirerescue.com](http://Toledofirerescue.com) and once you get on there there is a link that can take you to where you need to get the information if you feel the need to donate to them – their memorial funds. Mayor Bring stated I think we all forget that every time these guys go out that it is a pretty dangerous job, sometimes reality is a hard thing. If you guys took the time to look at any of that there were a lot of people at that memorial which is all due to respect and part of the job. I would like to thank Tim for going there and our Fire Department. President Rosso stated it was very nice that people allowed them to come and the guys taking the time to go. Councilman McCullough stated U Tube they call it the last call for those guys, they went into a building because they were told people were in there and they weren't. They got disoriented when they got in there because it wasn't supposed how it was and the unfortunate thing is – are they bringing the landlord up on our criminal charges? Fire Chief Card answered he has already been arrested. Councilman McCullough stated they set the fire and they went in to save somebody because they were told they were in there. \*Motion by Stark/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All./**LAW DIRECTOR REPORT:** Law Director Graves reviewed legislation, on Council#007 for the Chase Bank there was a number of parts of the original 1968 lease that involved the guarantee that they would continue to operate – they won't agree to that any longer. So I am just bringing that to your attention that that language is being stripped from the original lease. The lease will remain in force but there were things in there like they would not allow the store to remain vacant for more 10 days, they would continue to operate during regular business hours.

Those guarantees are not in the lease anymore. It is an enforceable lease agreement they just won't agree with that. Just bringing that to your attention, I didn't want any surprises as that is the most significant change. Councilman McCullough stated even though those are removed, if they leave the lease is still enforceable for the period right? Law Director Graves answered yes. He continued to explain Council#8, I was contacted by Ms. Emas several months ago who is a very nice lady who would like to donate this property back to the city so I would ask that you consider doing this. We actually drew this up as a three reading but can be suspended if you so choose. On Council#009 this is kind of a weird way of going about this but when the county – Community Development used their funds for the demolition of these properties as authorized by our Demolition Board. They were essentially acting as our agent and part of the interview that we had with them is that they would then place liens on the property for the county's costs that they incur in the demolition. They have \$11,227.00 for Stark and \$9715.00 for Community and the problem with that is the city really can't authorize the county to lien the properties. Either we can lien it or they can lien it but in order for us to lien it we have to have a debt; we have to have an obligation. So in talking with the county prosecutor's office in Human Development came up with this process because we are really the only municipality that is using this program. The only other entity in Lorain County that are using this are townships which are really under the county's jurisdiction anyway. So basically they sent us a bill, we lien the properties and then we assign our lien to the county as full and final satisfaction of the bill. So it is kind of circular way of allowing the county to place liens for their costs. We already have these liens in place but they are not due unless we receive money from a sale. Council#010 is the appropriation adjustments as outlined by the Finance Director in her report. We will be having a Civil Service Commission meeting on Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:45 pm and the topic will be starting to make arrangements for some tests in the Fire Department to at least compile eligibility lists in the event that we are in the position to hire we would have those lists in place. \*Motion by Stark/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All.

***CITIZEN'S COMMENTARY:***

***Ann Marie Woltman, 649 Sheffield Road*** stated we just recently at St. Thomas initialed the blood pressure and sugar testing program. At the last Council meeting Scott Kozlowski one of the paramedics volunteered his services along with whoever else would be willing to do it. So they are going to help us this coming Sunday and I asked the commentator to add that they were volunteering their services. So that was a good promotion for anybody that goes to Mass that day will hear that comment.

***UNFINISHED BUSINESS:*** Councilman Kovach advised what I want to talk about tonight our work/my work along with committee on the Bicentennial which

was started 199 years ago and will be in effect starting January of next year which will be the start of it. So for everyone it is not just Sheffield Lake and Sheffield Village, it also includes Sheffield Township which is actually the birth place of the three communities and John you can jump in anytime if I miss anything here. We have formed our committees and the one I am working with is the one that we will be putting on the programs that are ongoing during the year. They intend if possible to start up with the opening of the High School if that is possible. If it is not on time or on schedule. Then through the year we are going to be having some other programs going on but the 3 big ones will be tying Community Days into it, Sheffield Village's annual festival. Also the one thing that the Township is doing; a one night affair – I am going to ask Tim do we attend that where they bring in all the Safety Forces; they bring in Fire trucks and Police cars? Fire Chief Card answered I haven't been asked to do anything with that yet but if Chief Vandanski does get a hold of me but I haven't been requested for anything like that. I can talk to the Chief. Councilman Kovach advised I will talk to you about that during the year then and maybe get you in there this year and definitely for the Bicentennial. We don't have anything set at this point as far as the opening and closing type functions but that is where we are at at this point. One thing I do have to do is there is 2 guys in this room that I do have to get coming up there sometime, not necessarily on a regular basis. For anybody here that is interested – Anne has been there for the majority of the meetings and also Sandy Jensen attends it and Barb Miller has been there and Rosa and Joe has been there and of course John is with us. We meet the first Tuesday of every month and meetings start at 6:30 pm and it is casual and if you come in at quarter to 7 or 7:30 – it runs for about an hour/hour and a half. It is just the ongoing of what we are working on, we have produced this (brochure) and this is the one that went out in Sheffield Villages. Avon Lake Press John Edwards asked can that be sent out with the water bills? Mayor Bring answered we are going to include it with the water bill. Finance Director Smith advised it is going out with the March bill, it is already set. Councilman Kovach advised we meet at the Sheffield Village Historical Society which is across from the Nissan on Detroit Road. Like I said there is a couple of other people that should probably be stopping in involving stuff because you people have a lot more information, most of you were born and raised here. Whereas I came a little later, I have been here almost as long. Councilman McCullough stated I thought last years graduating class was supposed to get to graduate from the High School? Mr. Edwards answered theoretically. Mayor Bring advised if anyone wants to join, annual dues are due for the Historical Society. Councilman Kovach advised it is time for the annual renewal and probably new memberships which means once you get a full use out of your dues which are due the minute you walk in the door. Councilman McCullough stated Charter Review, how many do we have to have -

David – 5 to start or 9 total. Law Director Graves advised I think you could probably get started with 5. It provides for 9 but I think if you have a majority you could have a quorum. Councilman McCullough asked how do we go about Rick getting this moving because I got 3 more names? President Rosso stated you just got to get names to get it going. Give your names to Kay, that was actually something I was planning on getting motivated on now and starting going to some of our other committee meetings and see I can get volunteers. Mr. Guenther from Planning actually wants to be on it. Just give those names to Kay and I will figure out how to organize it from there.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilman McCullough advised if I could make this announcement – the Brookside Basketball is going to host an inaugural comedy night March 15 at 7 pm at the VFW. It is going to have 4 comics; 1 guy that is pretty well traveled. They are actually going to have a local guy out of South Lorain. They have the funniest woman in Ohio going to be there. We have a special guest host which is JG Spooner; he is producer of the Morning Show that people turn on just to laugh at him because they argue over the color of water. Also one of the comics is actually on the Allen Cox Show on WMMS, he is going to be one of the comics too. It is going to be a nice line up and it is \$20.00 a ticket and again it will be at the VFW on March 15 and it will 1 show only right now and I am sure it will sale out. President Rosso asked how do they get tickets? Councilman McCullough answered contact Brent Shremp or myself. Councilman Erdei asked are those tickets available right now? Councilman McCullough answered I am supposed to meet Brent tonight after the basketball game and make sure that we have them printed. Councilperson Stark stated with the election coming up I know the Board of Elections is now taking High School students as helpers, so if you know anybody who has High School kids that might need credit tell them to go to the Board of Elections; they greet people as they come in and the Board is always looking for election help as well. May is usually a bad one because people go out of town. Councilman McCullough stated Lake Ridge requires community service out of their graduates in order to graduate and sometimes some of them are really pushing at the end of the year. So the Board of Elections might reach out to them. He continued this is something that I have been thinking about for a long time and I needed to ask and it has been this way forever, the Zoning Board of Appeals always meets one night before the Planning Commission, there is things that go through Planning Commission's at times that needs to head to the Zoning Board of Appeals. But sometimes they will go to the Zoning Board of Appeals and get told they got to the Planning Commission and this is in the past and then the Planning Commission okay's it and then pushes it back to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The thing is those people have to wait a month, I would like to suggest that sometime that you break those to be meetings

that are 2 weeks apart if that is at all possible. Only because that would make more sense in stream lining some of the things that go on in the city when they do go on and when there are large projects. Just something to consider that those meetings be split up rather than the way they are especially with Planning Commission being one day after Zoning Board. Mayor Bring stated Leanna asked me the other day for the snow events that we have been having and how much is this affecting our budget and I will probably have the numbers of overtime, fuel, salt and some other repairs that we have done just so you guys know where we are at and it has been very critical. It has more than we expected, let's put it that way. I will have that for you at the Worksession. President Rosso stated I would like to make a brief statement kind of supporting what Kerry said about the Brookside Basketball has an event coming up on the 15<sup>th</sup>, I am 99% sure Youth Baseball has an event in March I think the 22<sup>nd</sup> if I am not mistaken. Also the Night at the Races and I am sure there is events in a lot of other organizations – I can't stress enough, get involved and go to these things, get seen and show people that their Council supports different organizations. I think it does a lot of good getting your face out there and letting people know who we are. I 100% support these events; all events but the one that Kerry mentioned tonight. It is part of our jobs to get out there.

### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

Council#007 – EMERGENCY – a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a fourth amendment to lease with JP Morgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor-in-interest to the Central Security National Bank of Lorain County and the declaring of an emergency.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by McCullough for SUSPENSION OF RULES:  
ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Cizl, Erdei, Kovach, Stark, Wtulich, McCullough.

\*Motion by Stark/Second by Kovach for ADOPTION:  
ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – Stark, Kovach, Wtulich, Erdei, Cizl, McCullough.

#### **Ordinance Passes#8-14**

Council#008 – EMERGENCY – a resolution authorizing the City of Sheffield Lake to accept and approve the donation of a parcel of land to the City of Sheffield Lake by Camille Emas.

\*Motion by McCullough/Second by Stark for SUSPENSION OF RULES:  
ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Kovach, Wtulich, Stark, McCullough, Cizl, Erdei.

\*Motion by Stark/Second by McCullough for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – McCullough, Erdei, Cizl, Stark, Wtulich, Kovach.

**Ordinance Passes#9-14**

Council#009 – EMERGENCY – a resolution authorizing the Director of Law to assign liens held by the City of Sheffield Lake to Lorain County Community Development for demolition at 744 Stark and 876 Community and the declaring of an emergency.

\*Motion by Stark/Second by McCullough for SUSPENSION OF RULES:

ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Stark, McCullough, Cizl, Erdei, Wtulich, Kovach.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by McCullough for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – Smith, Kovach, Wtulich, Stark, Cizl, Erdei, McCullough.

**Resolution Passes#10-14**

Council#010 – 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 Erdei/Second by Stark for SUSPENSION OF RULES:

ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas All – Wtulich, Stark, Cizl, Erdei, Kovach, McCullough.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Stark for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas All – McCullough, Kovach, Erdei, Cizl, Stark, Wtulich.

**Ordinance Passes#11-14**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach/Second by Cizl to adjourn at 8:11 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.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL/COMMITTEES  
*Kay Fantauzzi*

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COUNCILPRESIDENT  
*Rick Rosso*

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 February 11, 2014.

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**MAYOR**  
*Dennis Bring*