

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO
June 23, 2015**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, June 23, 2015. Council President Rick Rosso called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

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

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

Present: Rosso, Mayor Bring, Cizl, Kovach, Smith, Erdei, McCullough, Wtulich, Finance Director Smith, Treasurer Zaborski, Law Director Graves

Absent: Stark (excused)

Attending: Concerned Citizens, Videographer; Eric McElheney, Police Sergeant Corr, Demo Board Chair Gee, Charter Review Board Gee, Civic Center Advisory Board Nicola, Service Dept; Erwin, Kepic and Trowbridge, Exclusive Balloons; Mrs. Kepic, Members of the Media; Avon Lake Press and Chronicle

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Council – June 9, 2015 - *Motion by McCullough/Second by Kovach to accept the minutes of the June 9, 2015 Council meeting. Yeas All.

Council Worksession – June 16, 2015 - *Motion by McCullough/Second by Kovach to accept the minutes of the June 16, 2015 Worksession meeting. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: Mayor Bring submitted the name of Andrew Kory for full-time Police Officer for the City of Sheffield Lake Police Department. After a brief question and answer, *Motion by McCullough/Second by Kovach to approve Andrew Kory as a full-time Police Officer for the City of Sheffield Lake Police Department. **ROLL CALL FOR APPROVAL:** Yeas All – Smith, Kovach, Wtulich, McCullough, Cizl, Erdei.

Mayor Bring swore in Andrew Kory as full-time Police Officer for the City of Sheffield Lake Police Department.

Mayor Bring submitted the name of John Duplaga as Custodian for the Joyce Hanks Community Center. He advised I talked about changing the custodian over there for the Civic Center as you know and Mr. Hastings has resigned from there. I would like to have John Duplaga for Custodian for the Center. I think he is 62 years old and retired and this is what he has done his whole life and just bored. He actually lives in Lorain but is a member of the Baptist Church over here and they

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are the ones that recommended him and he came for his interview 2 hours before his interview so I think he will work out well.

*Motion by McCullough/Second by Kovach to approve John Duplaga as Custodian for the Community Center.

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

Mayor Bring advised we also talked about doing a full-time Dispatcher, one of our full-time Dispatchers has not been here for approximately 6 months and we don't anticipate her coming back. We have had quite a bit of overtime and we do need another full-time employee over there, with vacation times and everything that has been going on. We had 2 part-time Dispatchers that applied for this and then we had some other applicants. The 2 that applied that were part-time here were LEADS certified but we decided to go with Carolyn Brown. She was working over at Oberlin for almost 30 years so she has great experience. Sergeant Corr highly recommended her and all the rest of the Patrolmen. She is very professional and she handles herself very well on the phones. She is just a very good outstanding Dispatcher. I would like for your consideration Carolyn Brown for full-time Dispatcher. After a brief question and answer, *Motion by McCullough/Second by Kovach to approve Carolyn Brown for full-time Dispatcher for the City of Sheffield Lake Police Department.

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

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer and Refuse: None./Safety: None./Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment: None. Chairman McCullough advised he would not be there and requested Member Erdei to chair the meeting./**Ordinance:**

None./Finance & Audit: President Rosso reviewed the minutes of the June 16, 2015 meeting. *Motion by McCullough/Second by Kovach to accept the report.

Yeas All./**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: Member Kovach reviewed the minutes of the June 15, 2015 meeting. Mayor Bring advised the deck at Shell Cove Park will need to have a few things done to it to make it a little bit safer by recommendation of the Building Inspector, so we will be doing those. Member Kovach advised we had the Picnic in the Park Saturday which was well received and well attended, they had almost 50 people there in attendance because they were taking tickets as hot dogs and that that they were serving and I don't believe everybody had one. So they were in the 40's with the numbers which is well over doubled what they did last year which I think as it gets more accepted it is going to be bigger and bigger over the next couple of years. A big hand to Lisa Prokay and her husband who manned the

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concession stand. Thanks to Mr. Kepic there and Jerry Gillespie and if there was anybody else from the department that helped set up the tent and it is going to be well used in about 2 weeks. They had games for the kids, they had a magician perform which was well received but unfortunately as the magician left so did the majority of the people which it worked out because tear down time started about 5 and they were ready to go at 6 which was good. It was a good day and the weather stayed with them and thanks to Rosa and Joe for sitting there handling the tickets and Sheila Kepic who was handling the balloon duty. Mrs. Gee added and painting faces. Member Kovach stated I wasn't there for the opening, I got there about mid-show and it was going quite well and like I say it should increase every year. Councilman Cizl asked refresh my memory, when we finish the walking path behind Ferndale was the county supposed to connect the Brookside Trail – is there any update on that? Mayor Bring answered the EPA has delayed that, so as soon as they work out all the particulars of that they are going to finish that or however. They want to go through the woods and I don't believe – they may not be able to do it.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

MAYOR/SAFETY/SERVICE REPORTS: Mayor Bring stated with the pavilion, did the wood show up today? Service Department workers attending stated didn't see it. Mayor Bring advised we did order that so it should be here in the next day or two but I did see a truck coming down Walker Road so I was assuming that it did show up today but I could be wrong. Anyway when that comes we are going to get Mr. Kepic out there and test his carpentry skills and lay that out and see how good he does. If the pavilion is up crooked I am going to blame it on him. We discussed that light at Lake Breeze and Lake Road and I don't know if any of you noticed but it is gone. We did contact the State of Ohio and they thanked us and they just said we will put a note into it, so it was very simple. It was really no problem at all. We got a little bit of surprise, they called about our new cruiser the other day and we weren't expecting it for another month or two. They are going to have that probably by July 6th or the 8th and that will be back in here, so it has to go to Cincinnati and get outfitted for some of the radios and everything else and they are going to do a car-hauler and bring it up here. So we will have an extra car which is good. The plan is to still use the old cars to keep the mileage down on these other ones but the guys are all excited. So that is coming. We did have a number of break-ins last night during the storm and that gentleman is sitting in our jail right now so we did catch him. That is one thing that Mr. Campo will not tolerate, he is does not like that and he will do anything that he can to make sure that he catches them. He told me this morning I will have that gentleman by this afternoon and I just went down there and he is in our jail. He is a man of his word. We had a big storm last night and I have been up since about 4:30 this morning but the east side of the town seemed to get a little bit more rain and wind then it did on the other

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side of town and that is not saying that people didn't get a lot of rain but I think down on our end over here we probably got close to 4 inches of rain. In going down Walker Road this morning the deer were coming out of the woods because the woods were actually flooded and there was no place for the deer to lay down so that tells you how much water so there. We did have a number of phone calls and I know the guys were out almost all day long and that is all they did all day today was to take the phone calls from people and try to help them out as much as possible. We have got a couple of areas on Walker Road and Buckeye over there that were pretty bad but again all that water is coming off the woods and sitting right there right now. That is the worst of it all. I got flooded and I had a couple of trees down. CEI the power plant down there lost part of its roof, they had a power line/telephone pole knocked down right by Miller Road right there in Avon Lake. Avon Lake said it was one of the worst storms they had. We also had a drop in the pressure of the water and Avon Lake had a break over there by Tomco. Mr. Erwin answered they were up east of that it looked like. Mayor Bring continued so anyway they had a water break so there was a little bit of a water drop pressure this morning too. Yes there was a lot of water again and these rains are coming – they are just down-pouring, they are not a gentle rain and we have already had an enormous amount of rain as it is so the ground was saturated. So we did have some overflows but for as much rain as we had it turned out alright. We are continuing to keep the process going as far as cleaning the ditches and everything else but we are still short on manpower and we are working to do the best job we can. Councilman Erdei stated the Bowling Alley looks nice and I noticed a lot of cars there tonight. Mayor Bring answered Habitat for Humanity is there right now and they are having a meeting. We have been talking with them for 3 months, whether anything happens or not we don't know but they brought all their Board Members there. They have been looking at a number of properties so we will see. We got approached today by a gentleman that wants to open up a restaurant inside Shoreway. So we are getting a little action over there. *Motion by Erdei/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All.

FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT: Finance Director Smith advised I passed out a preliminary copy of the 2016 Tax Budget to help with your narcolepsy if you so choose. It is conservative because there is a lot of things right now that haven't firmed up. We have got people coming and we have got people going but it balances and I will tweak it probably before July 9th is when we will need to pass it so I can get it to the county. Then we will firm it up again by the end of the year before we go into 2016 but I wanted you to take a look. Look through it and if you have any questions please feel free to give me a call and then I will have any answers. You can call me or email me and we will talk more on the 9th. Councilman McCullough stated you mean the 14th. Finance Director Smith answered yes the 14th. *Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to accept the report. Yeas All.

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TREASURERS REPORT: report is attached.

LAW DIRECTORS REPORT: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: President Rosso stated we will have legislation I believe at the July 14th Council meeting to adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan. This is a fairly large plan so instead of wasting all that paper and making copies if anyone wants to see it, it is in Mr. Hastings office at the Service Department. It will be available if you want to see it, if you need to take it out of there just make sure you let Pat know that you have it. If anyone wants to look through it before the July 14th meeting. Law Director Graves advised the legislation that we will bringing will affirm that you have received a copy and have reviewed the Solid Waste Management Plan. If you want to take a look at that I would encourage you to do so.

Mayor Bring asked Mr. Cizl can you explain kind of what is going on with Videographer and how you are doing all this. How Mr. Cizl has done this is really good and I just want everybody to know what is going on. I really appreciate everything that he has done, it has been a lot of hard work. I want him to talk about this. Councilman Cizl explained the Mayor asked me – one of his goals was to get our Council meetings back up on video and I guess they used to do it through cablevision and whatever else. Since I used to do that when I taught and I am called back in the schools they are asking about what equipment we could use and I go well it just happens that there is some school equipment that is not being used at this point and they are going to be selling it I am sure. Maybe I could get some of my students that I am working with back and we could get the process back up and going. So we are temporarily using some cameras that are just old, used things but the idea was the Mayor wanted them done and I recommended that if you are going to do it let's do it right where you use multiple cameras like we do at football games and basketball games and make it a professional thing where you could put it up on the web and you could also put it up on cable television because he wanted people in this community be able to watch it. So I am just helping to facilitate that and as with any other technology it is always a challenge, not with video but with the audio right now. I have Eric McElheney right now and he is one of my students and he is helping us out and hopefully we will just record with it. Mayor Bring advised we were able to put that on the internet and then pull it up. We were able to do that and watch a little bit of it. Councilman Cizl stated any suggestions or anything else by all means share them because we kind of just got it started.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY:

Debbie Suarez stated I am here for 2 reasons and 1 is to report what things we have done as the Sheffield Lake Civic Pride Committee and the other is to kind of let you know about is going on with the Craft Program that we are doing. First of all the Sheffield Lake Civic Pride Committee has taken on beautification of the parks. So we have been working in a number of the parks mostly along the

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lakeshore. We have been doing a lot of painting, a lot of sanding, painting of railings, of picnic tables, the grills. We have been doing a lot of weeding, planting flowers and anything that we see that needs to be done. We have actually been talking about with Pat and Jerry so they can let us know what we can do and we can kind of get an idea from them of what to do as well. The other thing that we are doing is we are planning to help Kathy with the parade, so we are going to help her to mark the streets and help to get things ready for that. So we are trying to expand our group so that we have more people volunteering. We have a core group of people that are really doing a whole lot but we are getting more people that are looking into that so that is a good. The other thing that I am here about is the Art Program that we just started this week, we started yesterday. Last year we had like maybe 25 on a good day. We had 25 that signed up and we usually would have about 16 each week. This year we had 50 that signed up so we really have kind of doubled our numbers which has been awesome and about half of them showed up the first week which was yesterday. So we are kind of hoping that the rest of them will come. President Rosso stated thank you so much for all you do. Councilman Kovach stated she and her husband helped at the picnic the other day.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Council#030 – 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 Kovach/Second by Erdei for SUSPENSION OF RULES:

ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES: Yeas – Smith, Kovach, Wtulich, Cizl, Erdei/Abstain – McCullough.

*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei for ADOPTION:

ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Yeas – Erdei, Cizl, Wtulich, Kovach, Smith/Abstain – McCullough.

Ordinance Passes#30-15

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: President Rosso advised everyone has in their packets where we had asked to get some comparisons of local communities for the fees. So it is just attached.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei 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.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL/COMMITTEES

Kay Fantauzzi

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 June 23, 2015.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Rick Rosso

MAYOR

Dennis Bring