

**Minutes of the Park Board  
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio  
July 18, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Park Board was held Monday, July 18, 2016. Chairman Lewis called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Lewis, Albaugh, Kovach, Prokay, Gee, Mayor Bring  
Attending: Councilperson Gee

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the June 20, 2016 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE: None.**

**PRESENTATIONS: None.**

**MAYOR/PARK SUPERINTENDENT/RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORTS:**  
discussion below.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Designated Skate Areas:** Mayor Bring advised we did put a pump track in at the Ferndale Park, that pump track is portable so we can leave it there for a while and let them do that. Also in that skate park we are going to put a permanent basketball hoop only at one end, it will be like a half court so you can do that. I talked to some of the kids that were there today, they were talking about some of the skate park things like rails or something they want. Member Kovach stated probably grind rails with that. Mayor Bring concurred that is what they are. Member Kovach advised they come off the ground about 6 inches, they are like a pipe. Mayor Bring stated so that is what they asked for and I told them the Superintendent and I were talking about that last week and we need some ideas. So I gave them my card and they said they would get back to me and we are going to do some of that. The water fountain line was moved over there too so we are going to have a drinking fountain and add some more stuff for the kids. It looks pretty nice over there and we are going to pave that entry to that skate park too, Griffith is going to do that this year when they come to do the roads. Member Kovach stated they are small rails which are like a piece of pipe basically like a hoop is what it amounts to. It comes up off the ground about 6 to 10 inches so that the kids can roll off of either the trail or this thing and they can jump onto it. It goes for a short distance and they jump off. Mayor Bring stated it will be good and that pump track can also be used for bikes and stuff like that. I did ask the kids what they thought about it and they said that it is pretty hard but they said that it is nice and they are pretty happy about

it. Member Albaugh asked the grind rail that you are going to put on that pad are you going to anchor it down so you can take it up whenever you switch things around? Mayor Bring answered yes. The pump track even if we move it, we are still going to have something over there for the kids to have. Member Albaugh advised I saw a lot of activity there today. Mayor Bring stated if we take the pump track down we might add another basketball hoop so you can almost play full-time over there and then if you want to remove those grind rails and we can make it almost a full-size basketball court over there. I know somebody thought that is what we were doing and I told them no. Then somebody thought we were putting another pavilion up and I said no. We have talked about this for so long I thought everybody kind of figured it out. I had guys staring at the thing and they said do you have any idea of what this is and I said yes, it is concrete. Member Kovach stated well they should be able to get the idea now. I know Saturday there were a couple of children waiting for that concrete and they were sitting on the dirt. Mayor Bring laughed well some of the kids just like the dirt.

**Memorial Parks:** Mayor Bring reported we haven't done anything on that, I will be looking into more of that towards the fall.

**Lakefront Parks/Grants, Gifts & Awards:**

**Shell Cove Park:** Mayor Bring stated I don't know if anybody has seen that lately but they put the dirt down there and then leveled all that out and now they are starting to build beds and that looks really nice. Member Kovach stated I went in there Saturday and walked the path up into it. Member Gee concurred it is nice I saw it a while ago, it looks great. Mayor Bring advised we are still waiting for the Coastal grant on that, I guess they are almost 2-1/2 months behind. So even if we do get anything for this year we won't be able to do anything or finish over there. We still have our fingers crossed on that. The grants are just what I told you.

**Erie Shore Park:** none.

**Westshore Park:** Member Gee asked any news on the holiday tree for the kids to decorate at the center? Mayor Bring answered I did find one, I did go over to Pandey's the other day and they have got one probably at least as high as this ceiling for \$499.00. So I told Pat about it and we are going to take a ride over there and they said it would take about 2 weeks to get it prepared. So being that is in August we may buy it and then have them dig it out towards end of August so it is not so hot and then probably put that over there. It is really a nice tree for \$500.00 you can't beat it and hopefully it is still there.

**Boat Launch:** Member Gee asked did we get any more information on the bathrooms at the Boat Launch for next year? Mayor Bring answered no, we are looking into it. We had looked at a grant for that and I think it was about

\$75,000.00 or something because I think our match was \$45,000.00. I think that we were going to get \$35,000 or something like that but we never did get that grant. I would like to do something like that though.

***Neighborhood Parks:***

***Guenther Park:*** Mayor Bring stated eventually we are going to pour another pad probably over at Guenther Park and then we can move the pump track over there for a few months and take it back and forth. We are doing a few things there; add a roof to that one shed but we might do a little bit more than that as it is looking pretty bad. Member Gee asked did we ever get a refund from the inflatable company? Member Prokay answered yes I turned that into Tammy.

***Freedom Park:*** Mayor Bring reported we still haven't done anything with the bark for your park, we are waiting for some of that. We did take down a couple of the hoops over there and I know that we got a couple of complaints about that but we are going to put new ones back up so that will be addressed. We are still waiting to find out if we get any money for the dog park.

***Gary Green Park:*** Mayor Bring advised we have to just pour the pad for underneath that pavilion and we are going to add two charcoal grills and mount them right into the concrete. Member Prokay asked are there any plans to put parking spaces over at Gary Green now that we have the pavilion there? Mayor Bring answered there is the whole area where they park over there but I don't know that we are going to add anymore. We could probably do something we might start off temporarily with some gravel or something because we really don't have anything over there. Mayor Bring advised people are now asking whether they can rent that or not and I really don't want to charge anybody though we may have to get a list and maybe make some kind of a schedule. If they have families that want to use that but we will see, I don't know at this point. It is nice for the Mom's where they can sit and watch their kids play.

***Bike Trail & Covered Bridge:*** Mayor Bring advised we are going to clean that up a little bit. We are talking about maybe doing kind of retention pond over there by the Metro Parks to help alleviate the water from the streets over there. But in turn maybe we can work with the county to finish that bike trail over there too. We are going to try to contact the courier Jim for that and see if we can fit all that in.

**NEW BUSINESS: None.**

**CITIZENS COMMENTARY:** Councilperson Rosa Gee advised I am with the Summer Children's Arts and Crafts and July 25<sup>th</sup> is our last day of our Summer Arts & Crafts for 2016. We have had a wonderful year again we have had more

students then we have had every year it is increasing. We truly want to thank the City and thank everyone that has helped us do this. July 25<sup>th</sup> is our last day and we are going to have an Art Show once again year at 6:30 pm at Joyce Hanks Community Center and it will open to the public. We are urging all Park Board, all residents to please attend the children's art work which will be on display. They are very, very proud of their art work and they worked real hard and they do a great job and they really like seeing a bunch of people coming and looking at it. So the children made this [invitation](#) to Park Board. Member Prokay asked about how many kids were there? Councilperson Gee answered this year we had over 50 and each year it has increased. Mayor Bring added the kids have a blast with it. Councilperson Gee added check on line all the pictures from it each year and you will see that we have the same students come back plus new ones. It is wonderful! They painted their art painting on canvass today, that is one of our favorite times and they are ready for the parade which they made tie-dyed shirts to be in the parade.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this committee,  
\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to adjourn at 7:13 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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CLERK OF COUNCIL  
*Kay Fantauzzi*

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN  
*James Lewis*

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 Park Board  
Of July 18, 2016.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL  
*Rick Rosso*