

**Minutes of the Safety Committee  
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio  
April 6, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Safety Committee was held Wednesday, April 6, 2016. Chairman Wtulich called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Wtulich, Stark, Mayor Bring, Police Chief Campo,  
Fire Chief Card

Absent: Cizl (excused)

Attending: Councilperson Gee

\*Motion by Stark/Second by Wtulich to accept the minutes of the March 2, 2016 meeting with any corrections. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE: None.**

**PRESENTATIONS: None.**

***Reports from Safety Forces:***

***Police Chief Campo*** – Police Chief Campo reported our newest cruiser went back on a trailer to Statewide Ford yesterday for some minor warranty issues and should be back in a few days. We have submitted our application for the grant for digital radios and thanks to Pat Hastings who did a wonderful job helping us with that and that has been submitted and we are waiting to hear back from them. Our state accreditation, we are meeting with someone from the Governor's Office here Friday. We have rewritten our policies and we have done the other things he wanted us to do. We have implemented some extra testing that we are going to do yearly here and we are expecting the stamp of approval on everything Friday and should have that accreditation with the first round that they give out. For the last probably 2 years I have had a part-time Officer in our Detective Bureau and it worked for a while but it is not really working now as we are getting busy. I have worked a couple of cases over the last few days to help out and I am going to take Shawn Corr full-time Sergeant and put him in the Detective Bureau full-time. We need to do it, we are getting busy. That is going to create an open space, an open vacancy in the Patrol rotation and I have asked the Mayor to initiate the hiring of another full-time Officer.

***Fire Chief's report*** – Fire Chief Card reported I gave you the maintenance log for the trucks. So far this year we are up to 266 runs. This week myself and all 3 of the Officers are in the IMAT (Incident management class/FEMA) class that the county is putting on and it is up at the Lorain Community College. The last I heard about that new world for us which I told you the last time it was going to April and I think they just pushed it to the summer. I have no idea when we are going to be using that. I am still waiting to hear back from the FEMA people on the AFG grant that I wrote. I had some contact last week with them, I had to fill out some paperwork and send it back to them but since then I haven't heard anything else. Chairman Wtulich asked that was for the bottles right? Chief Card answered no it is for new SCBA paks and 2 life pak 15's. Mayor Bring advised it is about \$40,000.00 and it is only about a 5% match. Fire Chief Card corrected no I think it is \$202,000 and that is for the entire grant if I get the entire grant, it is like 2 separate grants in 1. One is for the 12 lead monitors and one is for the SCBA's but they are combined for a total but they could give me the whole thing or they could just me part of it like they did the last time.

***Mayor Bring*** stated just a couple of little things, we still got county wide the drug activity and everything else. Not a lot of people are talking about but it is pretty intense right now with the heroin overdoses. How many did we bring back a couple of weeks ago? Chief Card answered I have 3 dawn forms from the Police where the Police pushed Narcan. But my guys may have had a couple where my guys are the ones that gave them the Narcan. Mayor Bring continued these people are getting very desperate and they are doing a lot of petty crime; stealing credit cards and breaking into things. So everybody has to be aware, if you hire a contractor or something and they come in your house people can't leave their purses around or wallets around because these people are stealing their cards. I know that Tony has caught 1 just recently but that is the kind of stuff that is happening but I don't see that going away any time soon. You have to protect yourselves of who is coming in and make sure that they are registered, get their names and stuff like that. So you might want to pass that word around and I think people read the minutes and get that information. We have the last reading on the Police Chief's car and as you know we took the one car out of service and that is part of the car that we use now for everyday for City Hall and then he is going to take if everything works out take his car and turn that into the Detective car which was the old Chief's car. So that is the plan for that and I would like to see how this Dodge Charger actually works out in a field. The State Highway Patrol has been driving it around but that is kind of the plan. If you look at some of the

other cities they are bringing in several Explorers and/or Tahoe's or whatever but they are still bringing in a couple of cars in so I think that is kind of what our plan may be too. Everything else has been kind of quiet, just a lot of little petty things. Chairman Wtulich asked are you still planning on doing something over at the Fire House, weren't you going to do some kind of construction work over there? Mayor Bring answered that would be under Buildings and Lands which would be tomorrow night. Yes we did apply for a grant for that and that was in conjunction with a couple of other things that we applied for. Councilperson Stark asked could we maybe just as a public relationship kind of thing maybe get the lady that does Sheffield Lake BUZZ, at some point could we do some type of open house or community thing talking about these kind of things; don't leave you valuables out or some type of thing where we have a lot of this stuff happening in the community – here is ways that we are telling you to protect yourself or this is the information you should be giving us or here is the number to call if you think there is something going on and sort of do maybe forum where they could come in after a Safety meeting or something where we could talk to them from that type of thing and people could you more information. Police Chief Campo stated I have been asking people to come here at 7:30 pm after every Safety meeting for probably the last 6 or 8 months and it has been on the city's website for probably the last 6 or 8 months to meet the Chief and talk to the Police Chief or any other Officer that maybe I would have here and talk about just that kind of stuff and voice your concerns and 1 person showed up and he was here to ask for a job. Mayor Bring stated that is true and the other good thing is with a lot of this stuff that the night stuff is that people now have to pull into empty houses because they aren't allowed to park their cars in the street. We had an Officer the other day saw a car parked in of the empty houses and went up to it and it was obviously something that they weren't supposed to be doing. Just keeping these people off the streets on the parking ban 2 am to 6 am is working very well and has deterred a lot. Like I said these people are desperate so they are trying anything they can to get a little bit of money and stuff like that to take care of their habits. If you put things away or lock things up, there is less chance of anything happening. Councilperson Stark stated you talked about getting a Charger for the Chief's car, is that what you were saying? Mayor Bring answered a Dodge Charger. Councilperson Stark stated as much as I love Charger's, is this an all-wheel drive? Mayor Bring answered yes. Councilperson Stark stated okay because my in-laws brought one up from Texas and they were here during a snow storm and needless to say it was not a pleasant experience for them. Mayor Bring advised I

think everything we get is going to be all-wheel drive, I think we have gone through enough of the rear wheel and everything else. The front-wheel drives on the cars are good but it is just nice for the Officers and I know that they have said that it has helped out tremendously.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilperson Stark stated I was asked to mention that apparently on May 4<sup>th</sup> is National Fire Fighters Day and they are getting a group together that is going to come over and I guess feed the guys for 3 days; breakfast, lunch, dinner, some snacks and stuff and then we are going to do it for the Police Department and I think we talked about doing it in September or October. They were talking about coming over and doing it also for the Village. So if you go on the Sheffield Lake BUZZ for people to donate, I think they have already got a couple of meals lined up but they are looking for some stuff to do and they are going to do it for 3 days and I think it is the 2, 3 and 4. So if people would like to bring stuff; food, coffee – there was a list. If they want to contact me or Mary Ellen or somebody we would love to have more people and make this a yearly event for both departments.

**OLD BUSINESS: None.**

**CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this committee,  
\*Motion by Stark/Second by Wtulich to adjourn at 7:09 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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*Kay Fantauzzi*

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

*Bill Wtulich, Jr*

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

*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 Safety Committee of April 6, 2016.