

**Minutes of the Park Board  
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio  
October 21, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Park Board was held Monday, October 21, 2019. Chairman Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Lewis, Kovach, Gee, Superintendent Hastings, Mayor Bring  
Absent: Albaugh (excused), Dailey(excused) Law Director Graves (excused)  
Attending: Councilwoman Gee

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting as written. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE: None.**

**PRESENTATIONS: None.**

**MAYOR REPORT/SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: None.**

**SUPERINTENDENT – PARK/RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORTS:**

Superintendent Hastings advised under items below.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Skate Park:** Superintendent Hastings reported this is installed and we had a grand opening this past Saturday. They had sponsors and did some advertising, and there was a very good turnout. They raised \$600 towards future improvements. We would like to make this an annual event.

**Boat Launch:** Superintendent Hastings has no report.

**Shell Cove Park:** Superintendent Hastings reported we did put a sealer on the deck and power washed it. We used that same product on the bridge at the back of Ferndale Park.

**Guenther Park:** Superintendent Hastings reported maintenance.

**Lakewood Beach Park:** Superintendent Hastings reported we have not replaced the sign yet.

**Ferndale Park:** Superintendent Hastings reported there is another proposal of the construction of a cell tower. It would be AT&T, T-Mobile is there now. We are considering what to do with the water tower there now. AT&T as they propose the tower, would have space on it for T-Mobile to move over. The city would have a ground lease with AT&T and T-Mobile. Parkboard would need to be on board with this. Member Kovach asks would their intention be to put it between the two ballfields or sink it in the back ballfield? Superintendent Hastings replies it would

be in the vicinity of the current water tower. Member Kovach states I just wondered because we should think of developing something else back there. That field has never really been a good field. Superintendent Hastings replies I agree. Would the board like the city to continue discussions or is anyone opposed to it? Chairman Lewis says I am not opposed to it. Member Kovach states I don't see anything wrong with it. Superintendent Hastings states I will continue negotiations. They will most likely come and give a presentation.

***Gary Green Park:*** Superintendent Hastings reported maintenance.

***Freedom Park:*** Superintendent Hastings reported we started the first phase of construction to the dog park. It is second to a storm sewer project we are working on. Our goal is to get the center drainage in. The city would acquire the obstacles and various dog park activities on this year's budget. We have the tools to install the fence. We are looking at this fall to at least break ground.

***Memorial Park:*** Superintendent Hastings has no report.

***Erie Shore Park:*** Superintendent Hastings reported maintenance.

***West Shore Park; Community Center addition*** – Superintendent Hastings reported I applied for a preapplication for permission to apply for the engineering of a pier. Estimated engineering is \$80,000. My goal would be to get a grant to cover more than half of that. With plans in place, the city could pursue other grant funds. Step one we need a design and figure. I will hear back in November if we can apply.

***Brookside Nature Trail & Covered Bridge:*** Superintendent Hastings reported the TLCI program is still on track. We are working with ODOT to classify it as a local let project. I got certified with ODOT, which means we can manage it ourselves. We are on track for a March solicitation for bids and then open it up for April construction with everything done by mid-June. Member Kovach asks is there been any talk on the relocating of the power supply down there? Superintendent Hastings replies no, there's not been. The engineers are redesigning it to hug Route six a little closer.

***Lincoln Nature Trail:*** Superintendent Hastings reported I was contacted by the State regarding clarification of an application I wrote a year ago. They should be releasing the nominations here in the fall. They asked why the city submitted different numbers for these applications. I went after two funding sources; the Recreation Trails Program and one called COTF. They have different max contributions. One is \$150,000 and one is \$500,000. Obviously, our numbers would be different. I told them the city would seek the maximum in either of the grants. I submitted it all back to them.

***Pier behind Community Center*** – Superintendent Hastings reported I already mentioned this.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilwoman Gee states the American Legion Riders out of post #211 want to takeover Veteran's Memorial Park. It is adopted by disabled

American veterans. They are getting up there in years as there is not as much involvement with them. They use the park the most and want to take over the adoption of the park. At the same time, UAW local 2000 were the ones who helped restore the park last and would like to restore it further. The American Legion Riders and UAW 2000 offered to build a gazebo at the park if the Ohio Flags of Honor were able to raise enough money for the material. That money was raised. We have looked at some gazebos already. We need Parkboard and the city to give the ok. Home Depot said they would match part of the money.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the donation of a gazebo from Legion Riders #211 and UAW 2000. Yeas All.

Superintendent Hastings asks do you know the approximate cost for it? There are kits I have priced, and they are around the \$16,000 range. Member Gee replies I have to get the blueprints from Lorain, and I will let you know. We are looking at smaller versions and getting them to match costs. Member Gee states as far as the Ferndale Park ceremony, I would like to thank Ed Holmes and Chris Vaughn and Pro-skater Doug Brown, for promoting safety by example.

**CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this committee,

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by gee to adjourn at 7:25 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

*Brandy Randolph*

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CHAIRMAN

*James Lewis*

I, Brandy Randolph, 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 October 21, 2019.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

*Rick Rosso*