

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO
October 15, 2019**

The regular meeting of the City Council Worksession was held Tuesday, October 15, 2019. President Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: President Rosso, Kovach, Erdei, Cizl, Gee, Wtulich, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Law Director Graves, Superintendent Pat Hastings.

Excused: Radeff, Stark

Attending: None

PRESENTATIONS: None.

*******COMMITTEES*******

ROADS & DRAINS: None. /SAFETY: None./BUILDINGS, LANDS,

VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT: None./ORDINANCE: Chairwoman Gee states we were asked to do some corrections on ordinance 1357, the driveway ordinance. Law Director Graves states this is in regard to vehicles parking in side yards. Originally there was a section that stated no matter where the vehicle was parked, it had to be on a driveway that met all other requirements of the code. Current language states any vehicle parked in the front yard must be on a driveway. It does not put any restrictions on rear or side yards. The original language was not agreeable to all members of council, so it was removed. We now have an issue with vehicles and boats being parked in side yards on grass. We thought maybe council would want to revisit this. Maybe include language that states no matter where you park them, they have to be on an approved driveway. President Rosso asks so you basically are saying they cannot park them on grass? Law Director Graves replies they would have to be on a driveway that meets the code. President Rosso states I am concerned with the residents who have gravel on the side of their garage and have their boat there. Law Director Graves states if the gravel pre-existed the ordinance, it can remain as long as it's maintained. That would be ok. President Rosso advised I just don't want to pass something that will affect the people doing it right. I understand not parking on the grass. I'm against side yard but on the fence about the rear. Councilman Erdei says I am not against side yard either if there is gravel, but not the back yard. Councilwoman Gee states as the ordinance reads now, a resident cannot lay gravel to put a boat on. Mayor Bring states there are many existing ones. Councilwoman Gee says we can take this back

to ordinance. Councilman Cizl asks is this going to be like the chickens where people are grandfathered in? Mayor Bring replies you can tell when someone lays down new gravel. The building inspector has been driving around looking. We aren't really bothering those people. President Rosso states we really just want to fight the grass. Law Director Graves states when the original ordinance was passed, people were supposed to come in and register non-compliant, existing driveways within 90 days of the ordinance passing. Councilwoman Gee responds but that was never done. Law Director Graves states this was during our transition from Safebuilt to an in-house building department and it just was not ready to go out and do the photo registry. The section of code we really need to consider is 351.21, parking of motor vehicles and/or recreational vehicles in the front yards of residential districts. We have no regulation as far as parking on the side or rear yard. President Rosso asks so parking in grass on side yards is our real concern, right? Councilwoman Gee replies yes. Councilman Wtulich states he is ok with adding side yards to the ordinance. Councilman Kovach asks do you know the percentage of houses that are doing this? Mayor Bring responds not exactly, our building inspector is extremely busy right now. But we have been getting complaints. Councilwoman Gee asks so the majority of council feels we should take this back to ordinance and have the law director draw up something? President Rosso replies we are trying to figure that out. We have to be careful here. We just want to make sure you can't park on grass; we don't need to overthink it. You know when someone is violating it and needs to be addressed. Finance Director Smith states it is like the chickens, you have to have something there should the issue arise. Councilwoman Gee says we will take it back to ordinance, draw up a few ideas and bring it back to work session. President Rosso replies that sounds like the best idea. **FINANCE: None./PARK BOARD:** No report, but a reminder the ribbon cutting for the skatepark is this Saturday.

*******ADMINISTRATIVE*******

MAYOR: Mayor Bring reports there are now problems with a couple of the kids at the skatepark. I have met with the chief and we will be talking to their parents. If they can't stop, they will be banned from the park. We had the bid opening for our used equipment and got a little over \$21,000.

SUPERINTENDENT: Superintendent Hastings advised the two major road projects are on schedule. Tomorrow is the signing for the watershed project. That should commence yet this month. We will have a progress meeting with ODOT, we are shooting for Friday. Mid November is 98% completion required. Councilman Wtulich asks did you award the bid for the day ditch project? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, it was between \$300-500,000, I think it was \$286,000. That

will replace the rails, etc. Councilwoman Gee asks have you gotten much feedback on the walking trail along Lake Rd? Superintendent Hastings replies I received two. I track them and upload to the website. Councilman Cizl asks do you get many complaints from the 900 block of Warwick about the curbs? Superintendent Hastings replies yes. The goal on that is when the stormwater utility fund starts to clear up. There are no drains from Forestlawn, south. There is occasional flooding. The project would be huge. /**FINANCE DIRECTOR:** Finance Director Smith states no report. /**LAW DIRECTOR:** Law Director Graves states no report. /**COMMUNICATIONS: None.** /**OLD BUSINESS:** President Rosso states here is my thought on Planning commission and the master plan; either tell Rocky to hand out our questions at the next Planning meeting and have them write back their answers, or I myself may go to a Planning meeting and ask our questions. Unless someone has a better idea. /**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Councils Agenda –

Council 057- Second Reading- AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THAT SALARIED EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE WHO ARE COMPENSATED ON A BIWEEKLY BASIS SHALL RECEIVE A TWENTY-SEVENTH PAYMENT IN CALENDAR YEAR 2020, AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

Council 059 – Second Reading - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 935.15 REGARDING THE WATER CONSUMPTION RATE SCHEDULE AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

Council 060 – 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.

Council 061 – Emergency - AN ORDINANCE TO RETURN TEMPORARILY ADVANCED MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE ROADS INCOME TAX FUND (Ord.# 15-19) FOR CURRENT EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach /Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:46 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

Brandy Randolph

I, Brandy Randolph, duly appointed Clerk of Council of Sheffield Lake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of

WORKSESSION of October 15, 2019.

MAYOR

Dennis Bring

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Rick Rosso