

**Minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting**  
*Sheffield Lake, Ohio*  
**December 3, 2019**

This regular meeting of the Ordinance Committee was held Tuesday, December 3, 2019. Chairperson Gee called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Gee, Radeff, Erdei, Mayor Bring, Superintendent Hastings, Law  
Director Graves

Absent: None

Attending: None

**MINUTES:** October 1, 2019, \*Motion by Erdei/Second by Radeff to accept the minutes with any corrections. Yeas All.

**PRESENTATIONS:** **None.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** Chairwoman Gee states we were discussing Sheffield Lake code of ordinances chapter 1357. That references driveways. Law Director Graves states in your packets I provided the current code language for 351.21 and 1357.03, both of which relate to prohibition of parking motor vehicles in the front yard on grass, dirt or any material other than the hard surface required for a driveway. I also included the proposed language from the original draft June of 2017. It was proposed to change the language to limiting these vehicles to a driveway which has been installed and established in accordance with revisions of the code of the city. This was not adopted as part of the revisions. To address the current concerns of residents parking on the side of their house on grass or soft surfaces. Instead of getting into where you can and cannot park, simply say wherever you park, it has to be on an approved driveway. That resolves that issue. Chairman Gee states when we brought this up in 2017, wasn't it Council that turned it down? Law Director Graves replies right. Some members at the time felt we should limit our restrictions to what people do in their front yards, not their side or rear yards. Member Radeff asks so this would cover side and back? Law Director Graves replies it would cover any yard, wherever you park, it would have to be on a driveway. Member Radeff asks would the grandfathered gravel drives be considered an approved driveway? Law Director Graves replies yes. \*Motion by Erdei/Second by Radeff to add Ordinance chapter 1357 to the next Worksession. Yeas All. Law Director Graves states to be clear, this committee would be ok with the language that even if it is a rear yard, it has to be on a driveway? Chairwoman Gee states the way you have it now should be fine. Member Radeff asks can you have a rear driveway? Law Director Graves replies yes, but you would have to have a driveway that goes all the way from the road to the back yard. Chairwoman Gee states I have been getting calls from residents complaining about contractors and commercial vehicles being parked in residential

driveways. This addresses everything but that. In the future we should look into that. Law Director Graves states as long as it is not parked there permanently and they are not operating a business there, we do prohibit commercial trucks in residential driveways, but they have to be over a certain tonnage. Mayor Bring states if it is in violation, you can call the police. I don't think you want to start prohibiting smaller trailers and people with businesses that have to go to work every day. Big dump trucks, semis, buses things like that, we don't want, but normal everyday vehicles you take home for work shouldn't be a problem.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Member Radeff asks where are we with the zoning code? Law Director Graves replies I talked to a consultant a few weeks ago and I think it was geared to start the process in December. The office is putting together a proposal for us. However, her first recommendation was to attempt a joint meeting of Council and the Planning Commission. I told her we have been trying to do that for months now. Mr. Melbar and I met with her and gave her a long list of things that need addressed. I will keep you up to date.

**ORDINANCE/RESOLUTIONS BEFORE COUNCIL AT THIS TIME: None.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this committee, \*Motion by Radeff/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 6:20 pm. Yeas All.

**CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION:**

This Meeting of the City Committee of the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, was 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 Office.

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL/COMMITTEES**

*Brandy Randolph*

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 Ordinance Committee of December 3, 2019.

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**CHAIRPERSON**

*Rosa Gee*

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

*Rick Rosso*