

**Minutes of the Safety Committee
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
November 6, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Safety Committee was held Monday November 6, 2019. Chairman Wtulich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Wtulich, Cizl, Stark, Mayor Bring, Fire Chief Card, Police Chief Campo
Absent: None.
Attending: President Rosso

MINUTES:

*Motion by Cizl/Second by Stark to accept the minutes of the September 4, 2019 meeting with any corrections. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

Reports from Safety Forces:

Police Chief Campo – Police Chief Campo advised our two new officers are done with training and on their own now. They are doing well. This enabled me to keep Sargent Kory working as a detective at least 3-4 shifts a week. He has been swamped. We have had two more overdose deaths and an armed home invasion. Member Stark says I just want to show appreciation for the guys on Halloween. They did a great job. Chief Campo states Andrew Kory has been great as detective. He leaves no stone unturned. Chairman Wtulich says I've noticed some of the bigger cities have sued pharmaceutical companies to try and recoup some of the money for the drug epidemic. Has there been any talk of the smaller cities getting involved in that? Mayor Bring replies I think Lorain and a few other ones participated in that, but I don't think anyone individually is going to get that. I haven't heard anything.

Fire Chief's report – Chief Card reports so far this year we are up to 934 runs. Unfortunately, I did not get the AFG grant for the ambulance. I am working with Tammy right now and we are going to remount the box from 71 onto a new chassis. This should save the city over \$100,000. Engine 63 went in for annual service, but prior to that we were having transmission problems. The second and third gears were grinding. We had to put a new transmission in it. The cost of that plus the whole service was \$15, 215. Engine 61 just had regular service. That cost was \$1, 357.88. Like I said in February, Hollingshead may be going to Parma. He did resign and got hired in Parma. Luckily, we have a new hire, Elliott Smith, he will be sworn in on the 12th, have orientation on the 18th and start his shift on December 3rd.

Safety Director Bring – Mayor Bring states I would like to bring up the tree on Harris Rd. I went over there, and I do not believe it is a safety issue for the city to step in. The house went into foreclosure and I believe it was purchased. We are trying to find out who bought

it. We had to ban 3 kids from the playground. Lastly, we had a jail inspection and they are giving us a hard time. It is supposed to be a 12-day facility. They are going to give us the info to get in compliance and the cost. They want a concrete or steel wall separating where the jail is. My guess is \$50-60,000 to be in compliance. I talked with Tony and it costs us \$80 a day to send someone to the county, which doesn't happen often. We are going to talk seriously about not having a jail. It could be an ongoing process that is never done. We will wait until we get an actual cost and decide. Chief Campo states without that jail, imposes fine payments in Mayor's Court would be almost impossible. There would be nowhere to put anyone who didn't pay their fines. Mayor Bring replies I read recently they are letting people out early who are incapable of paying fines. They are supposed to come back of their own accord, you know that's not happening. It's a mess. Is it creating more trouble than it's worth? Chairman Wtulich states so, if we have to take someone to county, then we have to pull someone off the road, right? How long, an hour, hour and a half? Will we be short? Chief Campo replies say someone owes \$200 in Mayor's Court and aren't paying, you pick them up on a warrant, we put them in our jail, they pay. You take them out to county, they are there 2-3 days, now that cost the city more than they owe. Doesn't make sense. If we can keep a 12-hour facility, we can take care of Mayor's Court cases. But they want detention facility type doors, etc. Mayor Bring states I will talk to Mr. Hastings about trying to find a grant. Member Cizl asks is there a time Ferndale Park closes? Chief Campo replies at dark. Mayor Bring states as long as we don't have any complaints, we aren't really enforcing it.

NEW BUSINESS: **None.**

OLD BUSINESS: **None.**

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: **None.**

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Cizl/Second by Stark to adjourn at 7:16 PM. Yeas All.

CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION: This meeting of the City Committee of Governing The Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio as they may apply. All meetings are recorded and available in Council's Offices.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

Brandy Randolph

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

William R Wtulich, Jr

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Rick Rosso

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 Safety Committee of November 6, 2019.