

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO  
March 10, 2020**

This regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, March 10, 2020. Council President Richard Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

\*\*\*\*\***ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**\*\*\*\*\*

Present: Council President Rosso, Kovach, Stark, Erdei, Radeff, Gee, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Law Director Graves, Superintendent Hastings.  
Absent: Cizl  
Attending: Citizens

**READING OF THE MINUTES:**

**Council** - \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the February 25, 2020 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Monthly court receipts for the month of February 2020-\$4,874.00.

**PRESENTATIONS:** Mayor Bring states one of our dispatchers is on FMLA leave for having a baby. We have been filling her position with patrolmen. We have asked Mr. Torres if he would like to be a provisional full-time policeman and he said yes.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to appoint A.J. Torres to the position of provisional full-time police patrolman.

ROLL CALL FOR APPOINTMENT: Erdei, Radeff, Wtulich, Stark, Gee, Kovach. Yeas All.

Also, I have asked Christopher Rewak to resign from Civil Service, he has, and I would now like to add him to the Planning Commission.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to appoint Christopher Rewak to the position of member of the Planning Commission.

ROLL CALL FOR APPOINTMENT: Kovach, Erdei, Stark, Wtulich, Radeff, Gee. Yeas All.

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**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer and Refuse:** Chairman Wtulich reviewed the minutes of the March 2, 2020 meeting. \*Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit for 664 Rowelyn Ave for \$426.31. Yeas All. \*Motion by Wtulich/Second by Gee to approve the sewer credit for 626 Alameda Ave. for \$100.71. Yeas All. \*Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit for 927 West Dr. for \$381.83. Yeas All. \*Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit at 4865 Lake Rd. for \$1700.88. Yeas All. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the report. Yeas All. **/Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment:** None. **/Ordinance:** None.

**/Safety:** Councilwoman Gee reviewed the minutes of the March 4, 2020 meeting. \*Motion by Erdei/Second by Stark to accept the report. Yeas All. **/Finance:** None.

**/Council Representative to the Joyce Hanks Community Center:** Representative Gee states next Monday is going to be our St. Patrick's Day party. **/Council Representative to**

*the Park Board: None. /Representative to the Planning Commission: None. /Council Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals: None.*

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### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**MAYOR/SAFETY:** Mayor Bring states Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> we will have our annual Easter egg hunt. We have several projects coming up this summer. Irving Park will be the big one. The flags are all out and it's been surveyed and engineered. That's going to start in July. Getting back to the coronavirus, pay attention to the health officials, don't believe all the hype. Wash your hands, avoid crowds and stay about 6 ft. away from others. Everyone is taking this very seriously, including us. We received our Moody's report. It is for the city's ratings. It helps with interest rates, etc. We upgraded from an A2 to an A1. There are a few more steps to go, but this has been very good for us. President Rosso states it speaks very highly of the job our finance director is doing. Finance Director Smith states this helps with the credit rates we get, etc. Mayor Bring states we are only one step below Avon Lake. \*Motion by Erdei/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. **/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Superintendent Hastings has no report. Councilman Kovach states I wanted to comment on how the building is moving along. I stopped by and they have been restructuring it. Superintendent Hastings replies the service department building? We are residing the building. We are doing it in house. Lately we have been working with contractors on camera-ing the sewers, so there was a little lull. We are making headway and doing some reinforcement of the steel framing and doorframes. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee. Yeas All. **/FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT:** Finance Director Smith has no report but states the February balancing report is attached. **/LAW DIRECTORS REPORT:** Law Director Graves states we have a second reading on the amendments to the off-street parking. Also, we are asking Council to suspend the rules to authorize us to enter into the partnership agreement for the CHIP program. We have participated in this many times before. We had a meeting with the FOP, which represents the part-time police patrol and police dispatch. It's the one bargaining unit we have not resolved the agreement with yet. This was our first opportunity to meet with them. The meeting went very well. As some of you may be aware, there was a lawsuit recently filed, it has already been reported to the newspaper. I do not want to comment on it except to let you know it is in regard to the driver who was impaired and ran the stop sign on Ferndale and collided with the house, injuring a woman in the garage. That woman has now sued the driver and also named the city. We will be working with insurance defense council on that. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All.

**CITIZENS COMMENTARY:** None.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Bring states Mr. Hastings attended a function recently and there is money available for some of the elderly. It is called age in place improvements. I believe 3/30, they will be coming to the Civic Center to talk to the community. There's money available for handrails, showers, etc. We will talk to you guys about that. Hopefully you can spread the word. Everyone can take advantage of this. The money is sitting out there and if it doesn't get used, it's going to go away. Councilman Radeff states about the Easter egg hunt, Friday from 5-8 at the Fire dept., they will be

filling eggs if anyone can help. Or if you can drop off/ donate candy for the eggs. Mayor Bring asks how many eggs did you do last year? Councilman Radeff replies I want to say around 3,000. Mayor Bring sates so they will definitely need help. Councilwoman Stark states just a reminder that election day is this Tuesday. You can still request an absentee ballot. It just has to be in at the Board of Elections by Saturday.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

**COUNCIL #004 – SECOND READING – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 351.21 AND 1357.03 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE REGARDING RESIDENTIAL OFF-STREET PARKING.**

**COUNCIL #013- EMERGENCY- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROGRAM YEAR (PY) 2020 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM (CHIP) PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LORAIN, THE CITY OF OBERLIN, THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, AND THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.**

**\*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES  
ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION: Erdei, Radeff, Wtulich, Stark, Gee, Kovach. Yeas All.**

**\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR ADOPTION  
ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Radeff, Kovach, Wtulich, Gee, Erdei, Stark. Yeas All.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT:** Before we adjourn, I have a question for Council. Right now, the only thing on for Worksession agenda is reviewing council #004. I am curious how many have questions or concerns about this. I'm leading up to the obvious, which is do we need to be here on Tuesday to talk about it for five minutes? We are already down members Stark and Gee who will be working the polls. I don't want to cancel if I shouldn't. At this point we will cancel Worksession and Finance.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this council, \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:35 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

COUNCIL of March 10, 2020.

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

*Rick Rosso*

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**MAYOR**

*Dennis Bring*