

**Minutes of the Park Board
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
September 21, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Park Board was held Monday, September 21, 2020. Acting Chairman Kovach called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Wright, Mayor Bring, Council Representative Kovach,
Superintendent Hastings.

Absent: Lewis, Gee, Dailey.

Attending: None

*Motion by Wright/Second by Mayor Bring to accept the minutes of the July 20, 2020 meeting as written. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

MAYOR REPORT/SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Mayor Bring has no report.

SUPERINTENDENT – PARK/RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Superintendent Hastings reports below.

OLD BUSINESS:

Memorial Park: Superintendent Hastings reports one of the grant opportunities is through the land and water conservation. It is what funded our parks at Shell Cove and Memorial back in 1986. When reviewing these grants, I continue to try and get this nautical theme. I reached out to the vendor I was working with, Game time, and am putting together a somewhat patriotic theme for Memorial Park. I explained I would be applying for some playground grants. She went on to tell me about their grant through Game time and that is just a glorified way of price reduction, a coupon. In this case, it is retailed at about \$109,000. With the grants and the co-op agreement, it would knock it down about \$30,000 or so. I had the idea of maybe pursuing this grant/coupon code and focusing on Memorial Park with the land and water grant. I would like to get this funded this year. As far as memorial, I wasn't clear on the parameters such as available square footage and the volume of people that go there, both of which are small. She submitted to me a \$350,000 proposal that has rubber and a flag, etc. To summarize: the city will try to do the shell cove project and exhaust the Windsor account funds which we have done about \$400,000 of improvements with. We will pursue through the water conservation grant something for Memorial Park.

Freedom Park: No report.

Ferndale Park: Superintendent Hastings reports I met with Ed Honse, Councilman Radeff and a few other young men and I am formally bringing to Parkboard their

desire to have a fundraiser and support the construction of a concrete bowl at the skate park. One was just done at Millersburg Ohio and I think it was right around \$60,000. I asked them to get me some contacts for that so I can see who they used, who designed it and what we can do to offset the cost. If we could capture \$25,000 or 50% of that through their fundraising, which I was very clear it would be a substantial fundraising effort and they were not intimidated. Acting Chairman Kovach states go back to when we did Gary Green Park however many years ago and they raised around \$15,000. As I recall, there is a similar one to what they want in Bay Village and I understand that cost around \$100,000. We may want to do a size comparison of that one to the one in Millersburg. Superintendent Hastings replies the biggest difference between what this group is proposing, and Bay Village, is the depth of the bowl. Bay Village is much deeper. There have been some requests that we relocate the pump track so they have more room to skate on an open pad. We haven't come to any decisions yet. That's something we should consider; how we are going to approach that come spring.

Gary Green Park: Superintendent Hastings reported we are working with Play Mart to update some of the hardware on that equipment.

Guenther Park: No report.

Erie Shore Park: No report.

Boat Launch: Superintendent Hastings reports maintenance, but we did get the new RRFB's there. The TLCI, this 10 ft. concrete path, that is part of the grand plan of the TLCI, we also are applying for sectional improvements of this. Basically, are next goal is to go from the covered bridge to the community center. That would connect us to that parking lot.

Shell Cove Park: Reported on above.

West Shore Park: Superintendent Hastings reports I am also applying to the land and water for the parking lot improvements at what we are labeling West Shore Park South. That is the land we bought across from the Civic Center with the idea we could put in 75-125 parking spaces, get RRFB crossing lights and then apply for the engineering again on the Thomas Jordan Pier. I just finished a training seminar with coastal management on the preapplication for the pier again. I am hoping to reach out to the county commissioners for a letter of support.

Lakewood Beach Park: Superintendent Hastings reports the mayor is in negotiations with the wood shop which at least would include a new sign. We have some for our service building. As you know that one was stolen; to the tune of about \$2,500.

Brookside Nature Trail & Covered Bridge: Superintendent Hastings reports there is some serious loitering here with youths that were impacting the people's ability to ride their bike and walk through. The garbage was profound. Mayor Bring states after about three weeks, we told them they were not welcome anymore. They relocated to the boat launch and after about a week, we told them they are now no longer allowed there either. We won't let them ruin it for everyone else. The police are on watch and we watch them on the cameras. Superintendent Hastings states

another thing worth noting at the covered bridge is part of the watershed project, which was the clearing of that big ditch line, part of that was a project to go from the covered bridge to Lake Rd. in a ready rock wall. It's poured wall but has the look of cobblestone. My goal is to incur that money. I met with some contractors last week to get the materials on hand and maybe do some construction in winter.

Lincoln Nature Trail: No report.

Pier behind Community Center: Addressed above. I will be applying for it again. Round 1 is \$80,000 in engineering. Round two will be probably \$1.5 million to build it and our goal would be to attack the bi-annual capital budget. That was dead this year because of COVID.

NEW BUSINESS: Superintendent Hastings states I wanted to comment on garbage. If you count up all of our cans, they are moving over 50 cans twice a week. There's a lot of cans in our system now. The guys are now trying to manipulate between our little dumpsters we have throughout our city buildings, etc. We picked up a shed unexpectedly I public service that was put out incorrectly on bulk by a senior citizen. What I am getting at is I would like to get some equipment. It is like a small compactor that would go inside of a pickup truck. Whether through solid waste or our own refuse funds. The idea would be instead of the guys moving 50 cans twice a week, they can go to the park and unload everything into that. Acting Chairman Kovach states in other words, your own garbage truck. Superintendent Hastings replies exactly. Then we would design an earth dump to a 20-yard dumpster. The idea is to save time and back work. Member Wright asks I believe we talked about Gary Green as a potential home for a water pad? Is that something that is still being considered? Superintendent Hastings replies absolutely. I forgot to mention the Lincoln Trail, as of last meeting was in serious jeopardy of funding. We were able to capture all of that again from the state. The project is back on. Environmental engineers are there right now identifying the wetlands. The finance director and I were talking today about how nice it would be if this trail would intersect with a future water splash pad. Acting Chairman Kovach states I had mentioned previously to perhaps contact channel 8, from what I understand in Vermilion they are dedicating a Goddard dog park. I don't know where that would go, etc. They are more affiliated because of the Woollybear, but I don't know why they can't have many Goddard dog parks. Superintendent Hastings replies my only hesitation is I'm still trying to finish what we started. I have a shelter that has been backordered again. Once it is complete, then I would love that. Acting Chairman Kovach states it could bring some publicity and perhaps some funding. Are we doing anything with the water supply over there? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, I would like to attack that next season.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee,
*Motion by Wright/Second by Mayor Bring to adjourn at 7:29 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.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

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 Park Board Of September 21, 2020.

CHAIRMAN

James Lewis

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Rick Rosso