

**Minutes of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
September 14, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer & Refuse Committee was held Monday, September 14, 2020. Councilman Wtulich called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Wtulich, Rosso, Stark, Kovach, Gee, Radeff, Erdei, Mayor Bring

Attending: None.

Absent: Cizl.

*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the minutes of the July 6, 2020 meeting with any corrections noted. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

SEWER CREDITS/UNPAID CHARGES FOR TAX DUPLICATE:

551 Parkview Dr requesting a credit of \$58.20. Chairman Wtulich states request is for an outside spigot and a hot water tank that broke. Superintendent Hastings states I verified that, and they provided the appropriate receipts. I recommend it be approved.

*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to approve the credit of \$58.20 as requested.

Yeas All.

832 Devonshire Ave. requesting a credit of \$159.08. Chairman Wtulich states request is for a mainline break in the yard. Superintendent Hastings states this was acknowledged by the utility department, a substantial leak. They provided appropriate receipts. I recommend approval.

*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to approve the request of \$159.08 as requested.

Yeas All.

MAYOR/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mayor Bring states we are still doing the piping. 4,000 + ft. of pipe. We are going to continue that and then in 2022, stormwater utility will be paid off. So, we are going to try to do even more. Someone did text me from a number I don't know, and they didn't say what the street was, but they sent a picture that showed water in the street. If anyone knows what that was about, let me know. During the heavy rain, one of our guys had to clean one of the pump stations. It looks like someone lifted a manhole cover. There was a bunch of small pieces of wood. It was causing water to come up. If anyone knows who is doing that, let me know. It is illegal. Chairman Wtulich asks do we have any kind of strainer system in the pumps? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, that's where it collected. It can still get past that because the screens are huge.

Superintendent Hastings reports Irving Park is on schedule and the main water line is in and operational. They are doing connections now. TLCI project will have a final

walk through the week of the 28th. I am meeting with ODOT this week to go over our urban paving grants. That is the resurfacing of Lake Rd. Also with ODOT, the TLCI project we did, we are going to apply for another \$500,000 to continue that sidewalk from the covered bridge to the community center. Various committees have talked about a pier, lakefront accessibility and walking. The city has purchased the land across from the community center to accommodate parking if we realize all these dreams. Member Kovach asks would that end with another crosswalk?

Superintendent Hastings replies yes. That is a safety grant through ODOT. The first one was federal money through NOACA. Mayor Bring states we contacted the people across from the civic center, we have those lots over there that we purchased, we finally got ahold of the other property owners and they may be willing to sell us those other lots. Superintendent Hastings states I will be applying for a grant for that parking lot as well through Lorain land conservation and water. Currently the layout would afford 75 spaces, give or take. If we can acquire more land, obviously that would grow.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lincoln Blvd; nature trail from Oster to Lake Road proposal/wetland study –

Superintendent Hastings reports the state of Ohio is moving quickly with me now. I have reached out to HCW, our environmental engineers and consultants, and they are working with us to coordinate with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. I need their final approval. Internally, we will start engineering for the winter months so we can start building in the spring. On Community Rd. I met with the county, the engineers and contractor today so we will be moving forward on that. Because we are late in the season, we pushed the completion date out knowing if there are any stalls, they would run out of asphalt season. Unfortunately, that means they can stretch out this job. We told them today that at a minimum, we want a water line in before snowfall. They are not bound to that. Member Erdei asks did you meet with the people for the water towers? Superintendent Hastings replies no, we most recently completed the public bidding for the AT&T communication tower. We have that position in place. I would like to know the direction of city council, AT&T and the administration as to whether that is going forward. That is a key part in being able to tell T-Mobile we are taking this tank down, but here is a tower coming. Member Gee states I was asked about Oster Rd. I understand Sheffield Village is paving their half and that it's supposedly going to be cheap for Sheffield Lake to pave theirs. Superintendent Hastings replies the mayor has been approached by the mayor of the village for several years. The last two years we have had projects on top of that, Harris Rd. last year, Irving Park this year. He always comes late in the year and we already have our stuff budgeted. Member Gee asks so we are not planning on paving our side? Mayor Bring replies no. Superintendent Hastings replies I am five years out on our planning. It's difficult to get a phone call and put in a dual road. Member Gee asks are the bugs worked out

of the water bill system? Mayor Bring replies they are supposed to be. The girls worked with a young man on it and supposedly now it will reflect the arrears. Superintendent Hastings states for an internal understanding, there are four platforms, four computer software programs that have merged together. So when they finish the billing on one month, they had three weeks to get all those software companies together. You have the meters that are read remotely that go into a software program that calculates, etc. Then that program sends it to a printing company. In the background of all that is our psn network that's trying to grab all that data so when you go online it can give you your bill. Mayor Bring states and our old supplier was not communicating with our new supplier. Member Gee asks did they stop where you could pay it online? Superintendent Hastings replies we are discussing that, but it is still there. I'd like to cut that loose truthfully. The software we have now, Munilink, can offer online payments. Member Kovach asks on Community Rd., has there been any thought to moving that one storm drain that is at the end where it meets Ivanhoe? Do we have any problems with people driving over it and breaking it down? Superintendent Hastings replies we have done some rebuilds over there, most recently next to EZ Transitions. I don't think that's part of it, but I can most likely capture that to bring it to better grade. Community Rd. actually stops at the old Minotti's, now EZ Transitions, and there is a 60 ft. void before it picks up again. It's technically not a street.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTARY: **None.**

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:23 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 COMMITTEE

Brandy Randolph

CHAIRMAN

William Wtulich Jr.

I, Brandy Randolph, duly appointed Clerk of Committee certifies this is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of the Roads & Drains Committee of September 14, 2020.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Richard Rosso