## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO April 13, 2021

This regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, April 13, 2021. Council President Richard Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Present:

Council President Rosso, Stark, Radeff, Cizl, Kovach, Erdei, Gee, Wtulich, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Superintendent Hastings, Law Director Graves.

Excused: None.

Attending: Citizens.

## **READING OF THE MINUTES:**

*Council* - \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the March 23, 2021 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE**. Monthly report of court receipts for March 2021-\$6,224.00. **PRESENTATIONS**: None.

## **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

*Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer and Refuse:* Chairman Wtulich reviewed the minutes of the April 5, 2021 meeting. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /*Safety:* Chairwoman Stark reviewed the minutes of the April 7, 2021 meeting. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /*Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment:* Chairman Wtulich reviewed the minutes of the April 6, 2021 meeting. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /*Ordinance:* Chairman Radeff reviewed the minutes of the April 6, 2021 meeting. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /*Ordinance:* Chairman Radeff reviewed the minutes of the April 6, 2021 meeting. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /*Interference:* None. /*Council Representative to the Joyce Hanks Community Center:* Representative Joe Miller. /*Council Representative to the Park Board*: None. /*Representative to the Planning Commission:* None. /*Council Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals:* None.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

*MAYOR/SAFETY:* Mayor Bring reports the property across from the civic center got transferred into the city's name so we will be getting it surveyed and proceed to the parking lot. The covered bridge is now getting stained. We will then address the front with flowering trees, etc. Also, a reminder that May 15<sup>th</sup> is Pride Day. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. */SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:* Superintendent Hastings reports Community Rd. is scheduled to have grinding begin this Thursday. They did a full depth repair on the water line trench. Paving is scheduled for Monday weather permitting. Irving Park will see the contractors return for restoration along the tree lawn. We will also be doing restoration on the outfall/sewer near pump station 2. The service building had the gutters installed



and has completed the majority of our improvements over there. Our final goal would be to seal the roof which I intend to do this summer. The boat launch is scheduled to be dredged by barge. I am working with USACE on extending our permit. Once that is done, we will install the docks and open the bathrooms back up. We did install some new bench swings at the boat launch. We continue to clean out the major outfalls for the drainage. We are installing upwards of five miles of pipe. Lakewood Beach Park was cleaned. Depending on some earmarked funds we have, it will help determine our final goal. Ideally, it would be a box culvert to continue, at the very least it would be Armor Stone or erosion mat control with natural vegetation. We intend to restore the fence that had fallen in due to the erosion. We cleaned out along Hawthorne as well. We will be doing full restoration repairs on the water breaks as well as hot asphalt repairs on potholes starting next week. Councilman Erdei asks did you hear anything on the water survey from Oster to Lake Rd. on that path? Superintendent Hastings replies that is ODNR. All of that work required a wetland delineation study. There are wetlands identified there. We filled out a permit and now they have to come in and dictate which areas have to be maintained. They are backed up, but we hope to have the plans out mid-May. Councilman Erdei asks at Lakewood Beach, there is still about 3-4 trees at the very end, down in the water, are you going to tear them out too? Superintendent Hastings responds actually, the ODNR limits when we can remove trees. The time limit has stopped, I would need to get a permit to remove those. We cannot cut down after April 1<sup>st</sup> until about October. Councilwoman Gee asks is there any update on the sidewalks? Superintendent Hastings replies it is out to public bid along with our target road list, I'll be opening that bid this week. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /FINANCE DIRECTORS **REPORT**: Finance Director Smith reports I have some appropriation changes in the packet tonight. Most are just little clean up things. Testing expenses for Chief and Lieutenant test is in there, we didn't know that was coming. OWDA has rescheduled how they are asking us to pay that loan back. We had a clerk out in the service dept. and had a temporary clerk, so I moved money around for that. Councilman Erdei asks do you foresee any cuts? Finance Director Smith responds not at this time, but they have pushed back the filing date for taxes. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /LAW DIRECTORS REPORT: Law Director Graves reports Council #014 is the annual recodification ordinance. This is important to make sure all the legislation passed locally is included in the codification and also that our traffic and criminal code is updated to coincide with the Ohio revised code. Council #015 as set forth by the superintendent. It is our annual salt purchase ordinance. Council #016 authorizing the sale of unneeded equipment and vehicles. Lastly, Council #017 which are the appropriation changes. The Civil Service did elect to do an oral interview portion for the fire chief test. It can be no more than 20% of their overall score. It also has to be done by an outside testing/interviewing agency. There is an increased cost for doing this, but with the position as important as it is, we want to be as thorough as possible. Councilman Wtulich asks when is the fire chief retiring? Finance Director Smith replies end of this year, January 2022. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**:

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilwoman Gee states election day for Sheffield Lake is May 4<sup>th</sup>. We have 3 charter amendments on the ballot and the library levy renewal. Please make all effort to get out and vote. Early voting is already open. Also, I attended the annual report for the Lorain County Public Health 2020. I have copies. On Pride Day May 15<sup>th</sup>, are residents already being informed on forming groups to plant flowers, etc.? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, I have been working with the county. We do have Jonathan Wright and Russell Realty coming and donating time as well. Councilman Erdei asks what is the time for that? Superintendent Hastings responds 8am-2pm. Councilman Kovach states it is my intent to go forth with community days this year. Tentative dates are July 7-11. I spoke with the health dept. and it looks like it will be a go. They are going to send me some information. I spoke with the fireworks people as well and they are sending me a contract. All but one of the vendors is planning to be here. Mayor Bring asks did they say anything about us passing out candy? Is it going to be ok? Councilman Kovach replies I didn't get into that but will be talking to them.

# **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

COUNCIL #014- EMERGENCY- AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECODIFICATION. EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO, AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION: Kovach, Erdei, Stark, Wtulich, Cizl, Radeff, Gee. Yeas All. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR ADOPTION ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Radeff, Wtulich, Stark, Kovach, Erdei, Gee, Cizl. Yeas All. Ordinance Passes #15-21 **COUNCIL #015-EMERGENCY-** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FOR THE 2021-2022 WINTER SEASON, AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION: Erdei, Radeff, Wtulich, Stark, Gee, Kovach, Cizl. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR ADOPTION ROLL CALL FOR ADOPTION: Stark, Kovach, Wtulich, Gee, Cizl, Erdei, Radeff. **Resolution Passes #16-21** COUNCIL #016- EMERGENCY- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO SELL VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT OWNED BY THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE WHICH ARE OBSOLETE, NOT NEEDED OR UNFIT FOR PUBLIC USE AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY. \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION: Kovach, Erdei, Stark, Wtulich, Cizl, Radeff, Gee. Yeas All \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES ROLL CALL FOR SUSPENSION: Radeff, Wtulich, Stark, Kovach, Erdei, Gee, Cizl. Ordinance Passes #17-21 COUNCIL #017- EMERGENCY- AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, INCREASE AND/OR DECREASE OF CERTAIN FUNDS WITHIN THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

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Councilman Kovach asks has there been any thought to the citywide garage sale this year? Mayor Bring replies we can discuss it and get everyone's thoughts.

# COUNCIL PRESIDENT: None

**MEETING ADJOURNED**: With no further business before this council, \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:38pm. 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.

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 April 13, 2021. COUNCIL PRESIDENT Rick Rosso

MAYOR Dennis Bring