

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO  
March 23, 2021**

This regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Council President Richard Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

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

Excused: None.

Attending: None.

**READING OF THE MINUTES:**

**Council** - \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2021 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

**Worksession** - \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE.** Monthly report of court receipts for February 2021-\$3,512.00.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None.

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**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer and Refuse:** None. **/Safety:** None. **/Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment:** None. **/Ordinance:** None. **/Finance:** None. **/Council**

**Representative to the Joyce Hanks Community Center:** Representative Gee reports in April there are two dates for Monday morning coffee. Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> will be bingo.

**/Council Representative to the Park Board:** Representative Kovach reviewed the minutes of the March 15, 2021 meeting. **/Representative to the Planning Commission:**

Representative Gee reviewed the minutes of the March 17, 2021 meeting. **/Council**

**Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals:** None.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**MAYOR/SAFETY:** Mayor Bring reports to add to Mrs. Gee's report, Mr. Corna's presentation this time was much clearer and better. The structures he is proposing are better and seem to fit in better with the neighborhood. I was pleased with his engineer. Overall, I think they did a really good job. The only thing is that Mr. Corna did not tell the truth again. He told me some things and I checked them out the next morning. He states Carter Lumber was looking to do financing, etc. He also said he was going to take out a loan with the VA for his house, but he did not have financing for the structures he was doing. He told the board that he was working with Carter Lumber and that they were looking at having the Amish do that and they were having a little shortage on labor, etc. I went to Carter Lumber and they said none of that was true. I talked to the manager and he said Mr. Corna called him that morning and told him everything was in place and they were ready to go. I told him that was not 100% true. I

asked if Mr. Corna addressed the problems with the prices that have escalated, i.e., material and labor. Some windows are taking 20 weeks, vinyl siding taking 6 months, etc. The manager said that company would not fund that project unless there was a loan in place through the bank and they did a draw. Mr. Corna said steel process have not gone up that much, but they have gone up 5 times since last year. OSB last year was selling for \$7.29 a sheet and is now \$38.50 a sheet. The cost on these units is going to be tremendously higher. I just don't want this project to go on forever because they can't afford it. I would suggest we make sure they have the financing available to get them done, other than that I think aesthetically these units are better than before. Overall, I am ok with it. I just don't think Mr. Corna has any idea how much these things are going to cost and that is a huge concern. There are a lot of projects right now getting cancelled or delayed because the pricing is so high, or material is not available. We have been shutting people's water off. Mr. Hastings has been getting some nasty emails and one lady threw a check at Lisa and swore at her. I talked to Mr. Campo and he said if that continues, he is going to have a policeman over there and they will give out tickets. There have been some more cars broken into because the doors were left unlocked over on Irving Park. Please lock your doors. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. /**SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:** Superintendent Hastings reports the city will be turning in an MS4 stormwater report at the end of the month. It is an annual report. I will also send out our backflow prevention notices in April, which is the legislation that council bolstered 2 years ago, and that program is in good shape. The mayor authorized the water tower study so we sent that proposal today and we will be disconnecting the water tower per the Ohio EPA sanitary report. That is scheduled this week. I am having trouble finding a contractor to dredge the boat launch. They are either completely booked or no longer do that work. We do not bid that job because it is so low below the bidding limits. At Shoreway we are doing some asphalt repair in front of Goodwill in conjunction with the paving and water line project in the back. In the meantime, our service dept. is installing some drains, which is why that area failed. On the legislation this evening that pertains to the sidewalk escrow and road target list, I sent the wrong tab to the Clerk. The one I sent is not the most reflective of what has been done. The road target list has about 14 roads on it and I anticipate being able to do about 10 of those with the mayor's approval, based on the funding and the matching funds we have. We have a small project going on behind Subway. I have received a lot of calls because we have removed the vegetation. There is a 30in. storm sewer in there and an overgrown unmaintained ditch, which is why we had to start from scratch. It will have a decorative (inaudible) with some ornamental trees and the result will be nice. Councilwoman Gee states a couple years ago I believe Pleasantview was on the road list, they were set to start and then nothing ever happened. I notice it's not on this road list. Mayor Bring replies it did happen. Superintendent Hastings responds it was a chip and seal application. Councilwoman Gee asks will there be anything done about the big holes there now? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, it's an aggregate. Councilman Radeff asks is the list from most needed to least needed? Superintendent Hastings replies there is a pavement grading that we use. We have focused a lot on wards 1 and 2, so we did have a stronger focus in the other wards this year. Councilman Erdei asks if you can't find anyone to dredge the boat dock, what happens? Superintendent Hastings replies I

would have to get a permit from the state to allow us to do it ourselves. Personally, I have done it, we have the skill set, but it takes a tremendous amount of time and we have to rent the equipment. Financially it is not the best and many things will go by the wayside. Councilman Erdei asks the extra sand will go on the beach? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, we have 4 designated areas we can take it to. President Rosso asks are we having dumpsters at the city again? Superintendent Hastings replies the mayor and I have had this discussion and are strongly in favor of it. One of the pieces of equipment we are pursuing through for parks, most likely through solid waste, is an insert where the guys can actually dump into a small hopper. They are moving 40-50 cans. To accommodate that, we will build a land ramp up to a larger dumpster. We only carry a 15 yard now, but we would return to the 30's and 40's. The ordinance identifies a pay scale based on the size of your equipment. I think council may want to reconsider that. Mayor Bring states the problem we had was contractors coming in and dumping stuff, etc. It won't be done right away; it is not an easy process. Superintendent Hastings says we do have surveillance now which helps. Councilman Wtulich asks we can still bring brush, right? Or call to have it picked up? Mayor Bring replies yes.

\*Motion by Gee/Second by Erdei to accept the report. Yeas All. /**FINANCE**

**DIRECTORS REPORT:** Finance Director Smith reports enclosed tonight is the balancing report for February. Also, we have not received the stimulus money yet. The state auditor's will be here Monday to start the 2020 audit. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Erdei to accept the report. Yeas All. /**LAW DIRECTORS REPORT:** Law Director Graves reports tonight you have council #011 which is the annual bid ordinance. Council #012 which is accepting NOPEC grant funds. Council #013 authorizing the mayor to enter into a lease with Caribe Soul Café at the old Driftwood Café location. The proposed lease is a 5-year lease with graduated rental payments commencing April 1<sup>st</sup> at \$650 after 6 months going to \$750 and then \$50 a month thereafter, capping out at \$950 a month. Councilman Cizl asks on the sidewalk ordinance; do you know the year when council said from now on when houses are sold...? Law Director Graves replies the ordinance was enacted in 1979 and amended in 1991. \*Motion by Gee/Second by Erdei to accept the report. Yeas All.

**CITIZENS COMMENTARY:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Councilman Erdei asks is anyone interested in the two empty spots at Shoreway? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, we have interest, nothing concrete.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilwoman Gee states I received a complaint about a refrigerator on Lake Breeze. An officer went over, and they put it back out a few hours after the officer left. Law Director Graves replies I thought the building inspector addressed that. Councilwoman Gee responds it is a different one then you addressed. Law Director Graves replies we will make sure it is taken care of tomorrow.

### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

**COUNCIL #011- EMERGENCY- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE**

LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF PREMIUM NO LEAD GASOLINE, REGULAR NO LEAD GASOLINE, PREMIUM LOW SULFUR DIESEL FUEL, #304 LIMESTONE, #57 LIMESTONE, #8D LIMESTONE, #8W LIMESTONE, #1&#2 LIMESTONE, CONCRETE PLACEMENT FOR ALL OR PART OF THE 2021 SIDEWALK TARGET LIST, AND ASPHALT PLACEMENT FOR ALL OR PART OF THE 2021 ROAD SECTIONS TARGET LIST, AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES.

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

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR ADOPTION.

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

***Ordinance Passes #12-21***

**COUNCIL #012- EMERGENCY-** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) TO ACCEPT NOPEC 2021 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT(S) FUNDS 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.  
Yeas All.

\*Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee FOR ADOPTION.

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

***Ordinance Passes #13-21***

**COUNCIL #013- EMERGENCY-** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH YVETTE RAMIREZ AND MYRIAN MALDONADO, DBA CARIBE SOUL CAFÉ FOR THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 4116 LAKE RD., 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.

***Resolution Passes #14-21***

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT:** None

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this council, \*Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:45pm. 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 23, 2021.

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

*Rick Rosso*

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MAYOR

*Dennis Bring*