

Buildings, Lands, Vehicles and Equipment Committee
Sheffield Lake, Ohio
Oct. 5, 2021

This regular meeting of the Buildings, Lands, Vehicles and Equipment Committee was held Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2021. Chairman Wtulich called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Wtulich, Cizl, Radeff, Mayor Bring, Law Director Graves, Superintendent Hastings.

Excused: None.

Attending: Rose Hale.

MINUTES: June 1, 2021 - *Motion by Cizl/Second by Wtulich to approve the minutes with any corrections noted. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: **None.**

PRESENTATIONS: Rose Hale, 4308 East Lake Rd. states I have the house next to the bridge where the new ice cream store is. In the document I just gave you, the yellow lines are the parcel I live on and own those two. The big red circle is the property lot I would like to vacate and split. The second page where I drew the blue line, that is the only piece that I want. The person to the east of me already vacated and owns a portion of the land. I am just trying to get an informal approval before I move forward with ordinances, etc. Right now it is just a green space and I want to clean it up a little bit. Law Director Graves says in the event that planning and council were on board with vacating this portion of the continuation of Tennyson, it would start with presenting a full application to the building dept. and then it would go to planning commission, back to this committee and ultimately city council as a whole for approval of the ordinance to vacate. There is a fee associated with that. Obviously, this involves a split, so there would have to be engineering, surveying and a split drawn up. The applicant would have to bear the cost of all of that. Chairman Wtulich asks if we were to vacate that, would we have to offer it up for sale? Law Director Graves replies if a city determines to vacate a road, it splits essentially down the center of the road and goes to the adjoining property owners. Looking at the drawing, if we vacated this, the northern portion would go to her and the southern portion would go to the city. If she wanted the entire area, we would have to discuss compensation and a sale of that section to her. Ms. Hale says where it says Hawthorne Ave., that is not even a road but just a tiny walk path.

Member Radeff asks how big is this total? Ms. Hale asks the lot that I want to vacate? Member Radeff replies yeah. Ms. Hale responds I don't know; I would have to get a surveyor. When I get one, does he have to survey the rest of the land to tell you what is left over, and do I have to pay for that? Law Director Graves replies it looks like it is about 40ft. How they would survey that is they would carve out a new legal description of that and then deeds accepting that from what is already there. Another issue you run into is there is an ordinance that we can not allow a split that creates a non-buildable lot. That would require a variance and you would have to go to the zoning board for that. We will have to sit down and create a timeline of all the steps in this process. It wouldn't be a split. If we vacate that road, that section would then be consolidated and if you wanted to maintain that 20ft. strip as a separate parcel and then buy the other 20ft., we will just have to talk about it. Superintendent Hastings comments what makes it difficult is in vacating it, the city is the owner of the other half and if she was willing to accept a vacation and just do the 20ft., it would be a far less cumbersome process. (Internal discussion). Ms. Hale states Tom Irwin owns the one that is already vacated. Member Cizl asks does Tom have 40 of it or 20? Ms. Hale replies he has all of it. Law Director Graves states he has the full 40. He purchased the other half of the road from the city. Ms. Hale says well the people before him did. What would happen to the other part of the land back there, would it just stay green? There are downed trees, an engine, etc. back there which is why I wanted all of it and I was just gonna clean it out and leave it nice. Law Director Graves replies legally, the other 20ft. would go to the city or you could buy that from the city. Mayor Bring says we have been discussing getting a tree service back there and maybe we can do some of those. The willow trees need to come down. Law Director Graves says there are no future plans to improve that road back there. Ms. Hale says then I am here tonight to see if this committee would object if I moved forward. Member Radeff says I would have no objection to do it, but I would say I prefer the land becomes part of the parcels, I don't want to keep it separate. Everything being sold together is cleaner and easier. Chairman Wtulich states I have no objections to you moving forward.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) *General Maintenance* – Superintendent Hastings reports we are currently resealing the parking lot at city hall, the community center, the water dept. and boat launch. We are sending a truck to Best Equipment this week to have a trash compactor for our park truck. I wrote a grant for solid waste, and this is to improve our collection. We collect about 50 cans a week and it is quite time consuming. This will consolidate it. They have a machine that goes in our truck and automatically dumps it in for them. We can take it out very simply if necessary. It will improve

time and safety. Next week I will have the mayor meet with Murphy Equipment to pursue the backhoe that was passed. I believe the fire dept. bathroom project is complete. We have a small internal job in the police dept. of restoring a wall that was removed. They are hoping to get an interrogation room and/or additional office space. Mayor Bring says we met with a jail administrator this morning and if we stay at a 12 hour/12-day facility, it is very complex and it will cost us money. We can leave it as a 6-hour facility, and we will be in compliance and not have to do anything. I don't want to take it out in case we ever have to put it back in, it will cost a fortune. We haven't used it in 2 years, but I think we are going to just leave it as is. We are waiting on new keyed entry locks. Superintendent Hastings states they responded today, and they are finished. Mayor Bring says there are a couple doors we are replacing. The sally port door is getting replaced. The guy who got caught vandalizing the boat launch bathrooms did pay his restitution in full, over \$3,000. We will be repairing the door, etc. Chairman Wtulich asks was the fire dept. bathroom a remodel? Superintendent Hastings replies yes, a remodel.

B) *Joyce E Hanks Civic Center* – Superintendent Hastings reports above.

C) *Old Business-Other-* None.

D) *NEW BUSINESS:* None.

E) *CITIZENS COMMENTARY:* None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Radeff /Second by Cizl to adjourn at 7:35 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 Office.

CLERK OF COUNCIL/COMMITTEES

Brandy Randolph

CHAIRMAN

William Wtulich Jr.

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 Buildings & Lands Committee of Oct. 5, 2021.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Rick Rosso