

**Minutes of the Safety Committee
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
October 2021**

The regular meeting of the Safety Committee was held Wednesday October 6, 2021. Chairwoman Stark called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Stark, Gee, Erdei, Mayor Bring, Fire Chief Card, Police Chief Kory.
Excused: None.
Attending: Media.

MINUTES:

*Motion by Gee/Second by Erdei to accept the minutes of the Sept. 1, 2021, meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: Joe Gee Sr., 272 Gayle Dr. states my wife and I would like to present a bicycle to Chief Kory. We saw a need for a patrol bicycle. Chief Kory thanks Mr. and Mrs. Gee and states it will be a great asset. He shows the lights and sirens to the committee. Chief Kory says the bike is capable of 5 speeds with the top one being 30mph. Mayor Bring and the committee thank the Gee's for the donation. Mayor Bring states we will probably be donating the 4 bicycles we have now once we get the equipment off of them. Chairwoman Stark asks is there possible grant money to write for those? Chief Kory replies there is an opportunity we can look into. Mayor Bring says we probably will purchase another one next year.

Reports from Safety Forces:

Police Chief's report –Chief Kory reports in September we had 728 calls for service. Domestic cases are up from last year, there were 4 last month. Dispute reports doubled from last year, there were 18 last month. Disturbance calls were at 15. The expected go live date for New World is Nov. 1st. The MDT mounts are going in the cars this week. We have a bunch of guys going to first aid training in Avon, we have guys going to various shooting classes and driving response classes, etc. A lot of good training overall. We are in the process of getting body armour for new hires, we have a grant for that. Officer Ebert started training today and will hopefully be on the road training next week. Our other 2 new hires are in training, and it is going very well. Member Erdei asks how is the drug activity in our town? Chief Kory replies I think it is always going to be there. Member Gee asks were the issues taken care of that were on 701? The rear window, brake pedal, etc. Chief Kory replies those were not covered under warranty and it was not a significant issue, so we are not going to get it corrected. Chairwoman Stark asks are we still expecting the 2 cars later this year/early next year? Mayor Bring replies as far as we know. Chief Kory states hopefully by the end of year was all they could give me. Chairwoman Stark asks are we on track to switch some out for next year too? Mayor Bring responds with the 2 cars coming in right now, we still have kept the 2 older cars in service. With the truck and everything, we are in pretty good shape. We will take a look at it.

Fire Chief's report – Chief Card reports we are up to 900 calls this year. We didn't have vehicle maintenance reports because nothing changed, however 71 was in the shop for most of the month of Sept. They changed out a high-pressure fuel pump which they had trouble getting. After fixing that, they broke something which they had to pay for and fix. It is back in service now, but I don't have the bill yet. The radio grant that we did went through, and we got that. It is an AFG grant for the fire departments. It was \$900,000+ of equipment that we will be getting between the 5 cities. Our portion of that is a little less than \$150,000. It will go out to bid towards the end of the month and then will have a month for the bids to come in. Avon Lake is handling all that. Jacob DeWitt started training on Monday and is doing very well. The bathroom got remodeled. I forgot to mention the 2008 is going to become difficult to get parts for. The mechanic was told they aren't making the parts anymore. We do want to get the new ambulance ordered and are working on it, but that has been slowed down as well because of the chips. There is a possibility we won't get that until June of next year or later. Member Gee asks when is your official retirement date? Chief Card replies Dec. 31st.

Mayor Bring's report: Mayor Bring reports uniforms for our new officers in the police dept. are back ordered as well. There will be a lot of new equipment coming that we will be bringing to council. It is needed. We had a lady come in from the 911 center and she has been an immense help. We are going in the right direction and the new chief is handling it very well. The door came in for the sally port and they were putting that in today. We are keeping the jail at a 6-hour facility right now. We are going to take the bunks out and put in a bench.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY:

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Erdei/Second by Gee to adjourn at 7:22 PM. Yeas All.

CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION: This meeting of the City Committee of 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 Safety Committee of October 6, 2021.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Leanna Stark

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Rick Rosso