

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO
January 18, 2022**

The regular meeting of the City Council Worksession was held Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2022. President Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

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

Excused: None.

Attending: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

*****COMMITTEES*****

ROADS & DRAINS: Absent. /SAFETY: None. /BUILDINGS, LANDS, VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT: Absent. /ORDINANCE: None. /FINANCE: None. /PARK BOARD: Absent.

*****ADMINISTRATIVE*****

MAYOR: Mayor Bring reports we have two firefighters currently in line for two different cities. There is a possibility we will lose both. We may have to do another eligibility list. We have been looking at another part-time patrolman. We have somebody that we are interested in, and we will bring them to your attention at the next council meeting. **SERVICE DIRECTOR:** Service Director Hastings reports I have a letter I wanted to share with the committee about the sale of public property. We used to have an old pumphouse on Lake Rd. that was removed some years back, the land is roughly 35ft. by 135ft. and the homeowners have maintained it all these years. I told them to present it to Council and Buildings and Lands. We would require an easement because of the underground piping should it ever fail. I also received an email from a resident on Beach St. about vacating the end of Beach St. which I unofficially mentioned that on first response the city wouldn't be interested in giving away what limited access we have. We had our first snow event, and the guys did a very good job. It was challenging with the holiday Monday, and I had to keep everybody on shifts. I always have to keep men on reserve in case of a water or sewer emergency. I only had one complaint on a missed section of a road. President Rosso asks didn't we talk about the pump

station property before? Service Director Hastings replies we did. We always had concerns of the pipe being there. We explored removing the pipe, but it would cost a substantial amount of money. The idea was to maintain an easement as a possibility. The gentleman is investing a lot in his property there and is already maintaining this. President Rosso asks the minimum bid is \$1,000, is he aware of that? Law Director Graves responds yes and even though this person reached out to the city, it still has to be publicly bid. We would reserve the right to set a minimum price, you could set it beyond \$1,000 if you wanted to factor in future cost of underground utility removal. Service Director Hastings states the mayor commented to the gentleman that a minimum of \$15,000 would most likely be set and his letter to the mayor said he would be interested at that price. It is a sizable piece of land, but not a lot of value to us anymore. Councilwoman Gee says the seniors at the community center were pleased that the sidewalk was clear for them to get in, etc. and they wanted to thank the service dept. /**FINANCE DIRECTOR:** Finance Director Smith has no report. /**LAW DIRECTOR:** Law Director Graves reports I wanted to update council on the sergeant's test. Unfortunately, of the 5 patrolman that took the test, none achieved a passing score. The civil service rules do allow for the utilization of a formula using one standard deviation over the mean score as the minimum passing score, they elected not to use that. However, the rules also allow for the commission to reject any list for good cause. After a lengthy conversation, they elected to reject the list in its' entirety. There was a concern raised about the fairness of the test. It was administered by the International Association of Police Chiefs and had a lot of information that wasn't Ohio law. They are looking at alternative testing agencies for the administration to do a different test.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Councils Agenda –

None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach /Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:17pm. 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

MAYOR

Dennis Bring

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of Sheffield Lake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that
this is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of
WORKSESSION of January 18, 2022.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT
Rick Rosso