

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO
September 13, 2022**

This regular meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, September 13, 2022. Council President Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

Present: Rosso, Stark, Radeff, Kovach, Gee, Erdei, Cizl, Wtulich, Mayor Bring, Finance Director Smith, Service Director Hastings, Law Director Graves.
Excused: None.
Attending: Videographer.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Council - *Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to accept the minutes of the August 16, 2022 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas all.

CORRESPONDENCE. Monthly report of court receipts August 2022- \$3,162.98. Mayor Bring submits Frank Goscewski for position of Police Sergeant retroactive to June 28, 2022. *Motion by Kovach/Second by Gee to approve the appointment of Frank Goscewski for position of Police Sergeant retroactive to June 28, 2022. **ROLL CALL:** Stark, Kovach, Wtulich, Gee, Cizl, Erdei, Radeff. Yeas All.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Roads, Drains, Water, Sewer and Refuse. *Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit at 4535 E. Lake Rd. in the amount of \$167.36. Yeas All. *Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit at 870 Devonshire Ave. in the amount of \$78.45. Yeas All. *Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit at 3955 E. Lake Rd. in the amount of \$523.80. Yeas All. *Motion by Wtulich/Second by Kovach to approve the sewer credit at 312 Cove Beach Ave. in the amount of \$31.38. Yeas All. *Motion by Wtulich/Second by Gee to approve the sewer credit at 854 Sunset Ave. in the amount of \$470.70. Yeas All. **Safety:** Chairwoman Stark reviewed the minutes of the Sept. 7, 2022 meeting. *Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. **/Buildings, Lands, Vehicles & Equipment:** Chairman Wtulich reviewed the minutes of the Sept. 6, 2022 meeting. *Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. **/Ordinance:** Chairman Radeff reviewed the minutes of the Sept. 6, 2022 meeting. *Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All. **/Finance:** None. **/Council Representative to the Joyce Hanks Community Center:** Representative Gee states the seniors would like to invite city hall and the service dept. to their Italian night at the community center on 9/16 from 3-6pm. **/Council Representative to the Park Board:** None. **/Representative to the Planning Commission:** Representative Gee reviewed the minutes of the August 17, 2022 meeting. **/Council Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals:** Representative Erdei reviewed the minutes of the August 18, 2022 meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

MAYOR/SAFETY: Mayor Bring reports the 2008 ambulance we purchased quite some time ago is having major engine problems. It cost between \$8-10,000 to repair. We are still waiting for our new one to come in and are trying to get a definite date, but they are saying Jan-Feb. We are considering borrowing one or biting the bullet and repairing ours. We are down a man in the service dept. and are actively looking to replace him. *Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Service Director Hastings has no report.

/FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT: Finance Director Smith reports I will have appropriations for the finance meeting. **/LAW DIRECTORS REPORT:** Law Director Graves reports the 3 communities did sign a new MOU for the building inspections, permitting and plan reviews for the proposed Ford expansion. They have proposed a 2.5 million sq. ft. expansion, almost doubling the plant. Today I also circulated a proposed cooperative agreement for the 3 communities to utilize Bramhall Engineering and Surveying. We are entering the time where we will be engaging with collective bargaining with all of the unions in the city. Councilman Wtulich asks is Avon Lake still the lead on Ford? Law Director Graves replies yes. Law Director Graves reports on the legislation for the evening. *Motion by Gee/Second by Kovach to accept the report. Yeas All.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: Amanda Hamilton, 4623 E. Lake Rd. states I was here about two months ago and I came to talk to you because your police dept. had an employee lie about me. Did any of you look at the information I left for you? Councilman Wtulich and Radeff reply we looked through all of it. Ms. Hamilton asks what were your thoughts? President Rosso says just for a point of clarity, that is all an administrative function. Council cannot take any action to do anything. Ms. Hamilton replies I am not asking you to take action, I am asking why you do not care that there is an employee in your police dept. lying on official paperwork? Why doesn't the mayor, law director or chief care? President Rosso responds those are questions directed at the administration. Ms. Hamilton replies they have ignored me. President Rosso says council has no authority to force the administration to answer questions. I have worked with various administrations, and they have never made me doubt their decisions. They have been up front with us and gone over things and whether I agree or disagree, they made a decision. I don't have the authority to overturn it. Ms. Hamilton asks you don't have the authority to listen to phone calls or look at what she wrote on a piece of paper? Councilman Wtulich replies we did that. Councilwoman Gee asks what do you expect from all of this? Ms. Hamilton replies I want them to look into employees lying on official paperwork. I want my personnel file fixed, because it is filled with lies and preventing me from getting further jobs. I am not sharing any opinions; these are all facts you can see. Mayor Bring replies you are making accusations and we have already told you; we are done. Councilman Kovach states at this point I think your only recourse would be to hire the services of an attorney.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

COUNCIL #050-FIRST READING- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 133.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE REGARDING COMPOSITION OF THE DIVISION OF POLICE AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

COUNCIL #051-FIRST READING- AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NUMBER 104-96 ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF PAY FOR THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF POLICE AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

COUNCIL #052-FIRST READING- A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PRESENT AN APPLICATION FOR ROUND 37 OF THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDING FOR THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO'S PROJECTS AND SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF SUCH APPLICATION AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

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

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

*Motion by Kovach/Second by Wtulich FOR ADOPTION.

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

Resolution Passes #49-22.

COUNCIL #053-FIRST READING- AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 163 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE REGARDING PARK-RECREATION BOARD AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

COUNCIL #054-FIRST READING- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 961 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE REGARDING PARKS, PARKWAYS AND PLAYGROUNDS AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this council, *Motion by Kovach/Second by Erdei to adjourn at 7:35PM. 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 September 13, 2022.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Rick Rosso

MAYOR

Dennis Bring