# Minutes of the Safety Committee City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio October 5, 2022

The regular meeting of the Safety Committee was held Wednesday Oct. 5, 2022. Chairwoman Stark called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

#### **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Stark, Gee, Erdei, Mayor Bring, Fire Chief Novak, Police Chief Kory

Excused: None. Attending: None.

#### **MINUTES:**

\*Motion by Gee/Second by Erdei to accept the minutes of the Sept. 7, 2022 meeting with any noted corrections. Yeas All.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None. **PRESENTATIONS:** None.

## Reports from Safety Forces:

Police Chief's report – Chief Kory reports last month we had 500 calls for service, the breakdown is in the packet I handed out. With vehicle maintenance, 701, we are working on turning that into a patrol car. The quote I have now is \$2,400 but that includes a light bar which we already have. 704 will be done soon, 702 has a blinking headlight that is being fixed, 721 has a radar power issue but we have a spare one and 720 was out of service and will be coming back asap. Lenny's instructor cancelled our certification again and the new date is the 26<sup>th</sup>. Rural King is donating 2 bags of dog food a month for him. One officer is out on workers comp, another is out on paternity leave and Sergeant Corr retired. We are still working on some things with New World and getting the evidence switched over. While doing that we are also going to try to do an evidence purge. We just purchased some scheduling software and hopefully that will help with time management. The dispatch upgrade has been approved and that will allow us to talk to the schools. Member Erdei asks are all set on the body cams? Chief Kory replies the only issue we have right now is that with rotating shifts, the batteries are running low, so we are looking into buying an extra one or two. Member Erdei asks the blinking speed limit signs we have, do they seem to be doing any good? Chief Kory responds some people follow them and the others get tickets when we see them. Member Gee asks with Lenny's food, is that permanently or a commitment for a few months? Chief Kory replies there is no commitment. Chairwoman Stark asks if the certification gets pushed off again, do we have to have that person do it? Chief Kory replies no, we will look into others. There was an issue in training, so they just want to be 100% sure.

*Fire Chief's report* – Chief Novak reports in September we did 97 runs, 86 were Ems runs, 2 were motor vehicle accidents, 1 carbon monoxide, 6 fire responses, 1 wires down and 1 public asset. Year to date, we have had 936 runs. The new squad delivery date has been pushed back to Jan/Feb. Squad 71 needs some extensive engine work done to the cost of about \$8-10,000. I spoke to the mayor, and we are probably not going to do that, but I

talked to Terry PFund and he is going to give us a loaner squad. Squad 72 had the brakes done and an oil change. Cars 73 and 66 will be going to WW Williams this month for their annual pump and ladder testing. We got all the fire hydrants in the city tested this year. Next Friday we are going to be doing hose testing behind the shopping center. Last month they did the annual testing on the cardiac monitors and LUCAS machines. We have been working with Brookside and the Chiefs from Sheffield Village and this month we will start with a tabletop exercise which is where they will come up with a scenario and we will sit around a table and talk through the scenario. We plan to do a full-scale exercise next year. Still waiting to hear on the Assistance to Firefighters Grant I wrote for turnout gear. I am also waiting to hear from Firehouse Subs. They have a firehouse public safety grant, and I wrote that for \$2,000 to try and get a jet ski. By the end of the month, all the firefighters will have their annual physicals done. Next week the guys are going to the three schools in Sheffield Lake to do fire safety talks. Some of the guys have to recertify as CPR instructors and that will be done next week as well and then we will have a community CPR class. Member Erdei asks do you have an idea of when you will have the next open house? Chief Novak replies we haven't really talked about it, but maybe the same time as the last one. Member Gee says in the future when you have time, I would like you to come do fire safety with the seniors. Chairwoman Stark asks with Halloween coming, if a parent has a concern with any candy, can they come to the fire or police and have it looked at or what is the protocol? Chief Kory responds if anyone has a problem, I suggest they call us, and we can come look at it. Chief Novak replies we have had people come in the past and we have checked it out.

Mayor Bring says with Sergeant Corr leaving, we will have to have another Sergeant's test and promote someone. There will be a mandatory training coming up for the entire city and I will find out more in about a month. Member Gee says I saw the fishing tournament Saturday was quite well attended and seems to have went well. Mayor Bring replies it was a very good turnout.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Member Gee asks is there going to be any additional stress on our safety forces with the road being closed for 45 days? Mayor Bring replies where it's being closed is in one section, then the other section. There are many routes to get around, I assume it's not going to be an issue.

**OLD BUSINESS**: None.

### **CITIZENS COMMENTARY:**

**MEETING ADJOURNED**: With no further business before this committee, \*Motion by Erdei/Second by Gee to adjourn at 7:20 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

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Leanna Stark

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 5, 2021.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL Rick Rosso