

Minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting
Sheffield Lake, Ohio
June 6, 2023

This regular meeting of the Ordinance Committee was held Tuesday, June 6, 2023. Chairman Radeff called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

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

Excused: Service Director Hastings.

Attending: None.

MINUTES: Feb. 7, 2023 *Motion by Wtulich/Second by Cizl to accept the minutes with any corrections. Yeas All.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Radeff says I reached out to police, fire and the building inspector to see if there are any ordinances they wanted us to take a look at. I did get one back from Chief Kory that he sent over and the building inspector has 1-2 that he will get to me. Member Wtulich asks I know there is a guy that came in and wanted access to the backside of his fence to stain it/protect it, is there any law that you have to grant access to maintain a property? Law Director Graves replies no, because our ordinance allows you to put it on the property line. So, you can put it on the property line and the finished side has to be out. If you are going to put up a fence, it is probably a good idea to put it in a few feet so you can perform maintenance on it. If it is right on the line, there is nothing that says someone has to allow you on their property to maintain it. Chairman Radeff asks if the next person puts a fence, is there a distance between the two fences, or no? Do we not allow fence to fence? Law Director Graves replies you can put fence to fence. In fact, that has been done. There is nothing that requires someone to allow you on their property. Member Cizl says I remember seeing a wood fence and chain link fence back-to-back. Mayor Bring says we have a few of those.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Radeff says the email from Chief Kory says we need an ordinance passed that if we have a house/K-9 that the animal owner is responsible for all lodging needs for that dog, such as taking to vet, etc., he said he was going to send me language on this. I assume he means if we pick up a dog or we have a dog loose? Mayor Bring says we just had an episode where the woman has a husky that has gotten out several times and eventually, she moved and gave up the dog. It was getting out because the fence had holes all over it. The new owner of this home has had her dog get out 7-8 times over the last 2 weeks and it kept running across Lake

Rd. She has now given up the dog. Kory may want to get something for that too. Law Director Graves says I will follow up with the chief. Chairman Radeff says since I have been on council two things have come up multiple times, especially in the last year. It's about golf carts and the parking ordinance. I know the parking ordinance was put in like 10 years ago. I suggest we take a look at it and revisit it. Member Wtulich says the parking ban has been my number one complaint. Mayor Bring says a big reason is in wintertime with plowing the streets, the plows are 14 ft. wide and need to get down the streets. It was the overall consensus with the safety forces including fire trying to bring down firetrucks on some of these side streets where people are parked on the street and they can't get down. I had a ton of emails from people in the city trying to ban all parking on the streets. You will upset a lot of people if you try to do this. The golf carts are a safety issue. Law Director Graves states if you allow golf carts on the road, they have to have all the same safety equipment as a motor vehicle. Chairman Radeff says I would like to get all the information and discuss it. I'm not saying there is going to be a change, but I have had enough people ask me and I would like to at least review it.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTARY: Adam Shaw, 165 Pembridge Court (Ward 4 councilman) says I want to bring up the golf cart thing. It has been asked of me quite a few times. I have been a sheriff's deputy for 10+ years and I have yet to take an accident of golf cart on the roadway and we cover 400 sq. miles, the entire county. My wife's family owns a lake house in Lake Mohawk, OH and the primary mode of transportation there is golf carts and side by sides in that community. They have rolling hills and blind turns and they don't have golf cart crashes. I think the golf carts alone would allow more mobility. It's a no cost option to the city. I've talked to many officers including state patrol, and they don't take many of them. Yes, they happen, but it's usually because children are in them. I do not believe seat belts are required. You keep your kids off of them and don't drink and drive in them and they are fun and safe and another way for people to get around in the city. I think it's a great idea and a win, win for everybody.

Mayor Bring replies I disagree with what was just said. The reason they are called golf carts is you use them for golf and you keep them on golf courses. I don't think they should be in this city. There will be an accident and someone will get hurt seriously.

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTIONS BEFORE COUNCIL AT THIS TIME:

None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee,
*Motion by Wtulich/Second by Cizl to adjourn at 7:21 pm. Yeas All.

CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION:

This Meeting of the City Committee of the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, was 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

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 Ordinance Committee of June 6, 2023

CHAIRPERSON

Rocky Radeff

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Rick Rosso