

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION  
SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO  
June 20, 2023**

The regular meeting of the City Council Worksession was held Tuesday, June 20, 2023. President Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

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

Excused: Service Director Hastings.

Attending: None.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None.

\*\*\*\*\***COMMITTEES**\*\*\*\*\*

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

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**MAYOR:** Mayor Bring reports the storybook trail, the stands that we have there that tells the story and has a piece of plexiglass in front of it, so far 24 have been broken. We have the police looking into it. It's a shame that every time we try to do something nice, they seem to want to damage it. Hopefully we can catch them. Those pieces of plexiglass are about \$20 a piece. We have posted the jobs for the people who have left in the water and service dept. Councilwoman Stark says I have been getting complaints about 624 Irving Park and I think we have discussed this before. People are living in their car on the property with no electricity, etc. Mayor Bring replies they do have two young children and we called the health dept. and children services. Children services came out and said their needs were met because they had bottled water, a charcoal burning stove, etc. We went back and forth for months and I think they did finally take the children away, but I think the two people are still living in the car and the health dept. doesn't want to do anything about it. President Rosso says I know for a fact the schools have called about the children and they said it is their choice to live like that. Mayor Bring says they were burning wood in the garage and it was not ventilated so I had the fire chief go over there and the police chief. We have been there numerous times. Councilman Wtulich asks how is the Sea Doo cage, is that all done? Mayor Bring

replies the davits that put them in the water had a defect and we shipped them back to the manufacturer. They are in the process of fixing them and I anticipate them back in the next 2-3 weeks. The Sea Doo's are on trailers so if something does happen, we can still get them in the water and they are ready to go. /**SERVICE DIRECTOR:** Service Director Hastings is excused. /**FINANCE DIRECTOR:** Finance Director Smith has no report. /**LAW DIRECTOR:** Law Director Graves has no report.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Councilman Kovach says I have some issues to bring up. As I understand, during the ordinance committee they brought up parking in the streets and the possibility of allowing golf cart use in the community. I was on the committees that spent a lot of time doing their due diligence on them. I have a letter from the fire chief in regard to the issues and the reasons discussed regarding both. The biggest issue with the fire dept. was if cars are in the street, it makes it extremely hard to maneuver the fire truck, ambulance and other safety vehicles. In regard to the police, it has been a big help with knowing if there is a car on the street between 2-6, they can easily check it out and see if it belongs there or if it is possibly someone involved in a break in, etc. The service depts. biggest concern is in winter with the snow plows. The golf carts which we did an extreme amount of research on, would have to be licensed in the State of Ohio like any other motor vehicle. It would require them to have headlights, brake lights, etc. That came up during the former mayor's term and the biggest concern then was the bike lanes and possible interference. In the past, there have been several deaths on Lake Rd. of cyclists. We now also have two walking trails in the community and I can see someone going down one. This really isn't a golf cart community.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Law Director Graves states back in 2012 a couple of parcels on Maplewood were donated to the city and we have been approached by residents who have a desire to purchase those parcels. Prior to selling any public property, it has to be publicly bid and advertised in the paper for 5 consecutive weeks. I wanted to see if council would like me to prepare legislation for that for next week. Councilman Wtulich asks is there any benefit to us for holding onto them? Law Director Graves replies not really. Councilman Cizl asks what is that area zoned? Law Director Graves responds residential. Mayor Bring says I did talk to Max Auto because we have had numerous people talking about the cars out there. They are in the process of cleaning the lot up behind them and are going to fence it off and put the cars back there. It will take some time but you will see a drastic improvement on Lake Rd.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:** Councils Agenda –  
NONE.

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**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this council, Motion by Kovach /Second by Wtulich to adjourn at 7:19pm. 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.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL/COMMITTEES

*Brandy Randolph*

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MAYOR

*Dennis Bring*

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 WORKSESSION of June 20, 2023.

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

*Rick Rosso*