

**Minutes of the Safety Committee
City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio
February 1, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Safety Committee was held Wednesday Feb. 1, 2023.
Chairwoman Stark called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Stark, Gee, Mayor Bring, Fire Chief Novak.
Excused: Police Chief Kory.
Attending: Sergeant Schmidt.

MINUTES:

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

Reports from Safety Forces:

Police Chief's report – Sergeant Schmidt reports with vehicle maintenance we have had a small string of bad luck, but we are getting them fixed. Attached tonight is the annual report. Member Gee asks car 720, do you know what age that is? Sergeant Schmidt replies I'm not sure. Member Gee asks do you know what number the charger is now? Sergeant Schmidt replies 705. Chairwoman Stark asks obedience to traffic control devices, is that the stoplight? Sergeant Schmidt responds yes. Mayor Bring says we are still considering the Flock Camera System. We also had a young man come in the other day and he wants to join our force, so hopefully council will ok him on the 14th, he currently works for Cleveland. Next week we are going to do another interview. Chairwoman Stark asks can we run a civil service test until we have a couple positions open? Mayor Bring replies we have changed some things in civil service and have a list of about 15 possible lateral transfers and have gotten it down to two. We are actively looking for people. Chairwoman Stark says on Walker, into Avon Lake it looks like they put up poles with solar panels and cameras, they are on Miller too, is that because of the construction? Mayor Bring replies I'm assuming; they are widening the road, but I don't know why they are on Walker. I'll find out. We have been talking about approaching the state for some funds because of the Ford plant traffic. Once the addition is added and they widen 301, we will get more traffic. Member Gee asks who should a resident contact with concerns of kids on mini bikes on the new trail by Amber Oaks? Sergeant Schmidt says when it is happening, call the police station. Member Gee says residents are asking what to do about coyotes. Mayor Bring says coyotes aren't going away, its nature, there isn't anything we can do.

Fire Chief's report – Chief Novak reports we had a few small maintenance issues that have been fixed. The new squad should be here the first week of April. In January we did 181 runs. This week I applied for the 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant to buy 13 complete sets of turnout gear. The total for the project is \$72,917.00 and we will find out later this year if we received that. The jet ski project is moving forward and we plan on picking them

up next week. The training is scheduled for May 18th and will happen at the boat launch. There is an online boat class that I will probably have them do as well. We did online drivers training recently. We are also doing our annual fit testing to make sure the face pieces are sealing when put on. Then Feb. 15th we have another meeting at the school to discuss active shooter drills. Chairwoman Stark says in the past you have done classes for CPR, is that something we can maybe think about doing again? Chief Novak replies Lieutenant Mariner did one at the beginning of December and we will continue to do it. **Mayor's report-** On Feb. 14th I will on radio station 98.9 talking about our city and answering questions, etc. I plan to do that once a month for the rest of the year. We added cameras to Gary Green Park, and they are up and running. We added more in dispatch, and I am going to install some type of speaker system at the boat launch. Member Gee asks what time will you be on the radio? Mayor Bring responds 4pm for 30 min. **NEW BUSINESS:** Member Gee asks how many officers are we down now? Mayor Bring replies 5. Member Gee asks is that hurting us on overtime? Mayor Bring replies yes, but our city is not suffering, and our guys are doing great. Member Gee asks I noticed there were a lot of calls to the police about animals, now that we have an animal control officer, that's going to take a load off of them, right? Mayor Bring responds there is an issue with that position right now that we are working on.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this committee, *Motion by Gee/Second by Stark to adjourn at 7:24 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 February 1, 2023.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Rick Rosso