# MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION SHEFFIELD LAKE, OHIO October 17, 2023

The regular meeting of the City Council Worksession was held Tuesday, October 17, 2023. President Pro Tem Kovach called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

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

Present: Kovach, Stark, Wtulich, Gee, Shaw, Mayor Bring, Law Director

Graves, Service Director Hastings.

Excused: President Rosso, Radeff, Cizl, Finance Director Smith.

Attending: Citizens.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None.

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<u>ROADS & DRAINS:</u> None. /<u>SAFETY</u>: None. /<u>BUILDINGS, LANDS, VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT</u>: None. /<u>ORDINANCE</u>: Excused. /<u>FINANCE</u>: Excused. /<u>PARK BOARD</u>: None.

MAYOR: Mayor Bring has no report. /SERVICE DIRECTOR: Service Director Hastings has no report. /FINANCE DIRECTOR: Finance Director Smith is excused. /LAW DIRECTOR: Law Director Graves reports the city concluded our first round of city-wide training on discrimination and harassment in the workplace and there is another round next Tuesday. Law Director Graves reports on the legislation on the agenda and the two pieces coming to council Tuesday, one updating our local income tax ordinance and another regarding the animal control assignment. Councilman Wtulich asks did Rick mention a sub committee for roads & drains for the flooding? Law Director Graves replies no.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Economic development committee. Councilman Shaw says I can go over it quickly and maybe we can talk about it more at the next meeting. What I wrote up is very similar to what Avon Lake has and very similar to the current advisory board we have. Some differences are that it is a 7 member committee, council is on it, council appoints 3 members and the mayor appoints 2. The idea behind it is to promote economic development and seat the committee with people who have skills in certain things, i.e., businesses, architecture, etc. We could take a

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look at the city and see what's available to us and what's can we use. A friend of mine just opened up a business and she lives in Sheffield Lake and she took it to Lorain, because there was either nothing here or she couldn't afford what was here. I think having this committee could help. Does anybody know the last time the economic advisory board was used or sat? Law Director Graves replies I don't think it's been populated with membership probably since it's been instituted.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:** Councils Agenda –

**COUNCIL #040- SECOND READING-** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**COUNCIL #041- FIRST READING-** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1361.16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF SHEFFIELD LAKE REGARDING BUILDING AND ZONING PERMIT FEES AND THE DECLARING OF AN EMERGENCY.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**: With no further business before this council, Motion by Wtulich /Second by Stark to adjourn at 7:12pm. 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

WORKSESSION of October 17, 2023.

MAYOR

Dennis Bring

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM

Steve Kovach