

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 26, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Eastlake City Council was held at Eastlake City Hall, 35150 Lake Shore Boulevard. The Meeting was called to order by Council President Mr. Elshaw at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Morley.

ATTENDEES

Members of Council in attendance were Mr. Morley, Mr. D'Ambrosio, Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Lajeunesse, Mr. Knuchel, and Council President Mr. Elshaw. Mr. Zontini was absent and excused. Also attending was Council Clerk Mrs. Cendroski.

Those attending from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Finance Director Mr. Condron, Law Director Mr. Klammer, Service Director Mr. Semik, CBO Mr. Stigalt, City Engineer Mr. Gwydir and Fire Chief Whittington.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETING WITH ADJOURNMENT INTO
EXECUTIVE SESSION – July 8, 2008**

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to approve the minutes of the Council-as-a-Whole Committee with adjournment into Executive Session of July 8, 2008. Mr. Knuchel seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING – JULY 8, 2008

Re: 2009 Tax Budget

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing of July 9, 2008 regarding the 2009 Tax Budget. Mr. Knuchel seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – JULY 8, 2008

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 8, 2008. Ms. Vaughn seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING – AUGUST 19, 2008

Re: Rezone: Green Drive, Eastlake: S-1 (Suburban) to R-60 (Residential)

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing of August 19, 2008 regarding the Rezone of property on Green Drive. Ms. Vaughn seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. Morley, Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Knuchel, Mr. Elshaw
Abstain: Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Lajeunesse

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 19, 2008

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 19, 2008. Ms. Vaughn seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. Morley, Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Knuchel, Mr. Elshaw
Abstain: Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Lajeunesse

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Elshaw

Meetings Scheduled

Mr. Elshaw: A Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

An Economic & Community Development Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

Comments

Mr. Elshaw: This last Sunday a dedication was held at the Captain's Stadium for our late City Engineer Steve Guard. It was a memorial dedication based on donations that came in from people who cared about Steve. Steve was a very special person. Not only was he our engineer but he was very special to a lot of people. It is a beautiful memorial and is at the Captain's stadium in the area behind the right field fence. I would like to thank C.T. Consultant's, the Lake County Captains and everyone who donated to this cause.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A request was received from Service Director Mr. Semik to advertise for bids for 2009 Housekeeping Supplies. This was referred to Service/Utilities Committee.

A request was received from the Administration regarding the quotes received for the demolition of Surfside Pool. This was referred to Recreation Committee.

A referral was received from the Planning Commission regarding a Conditional Use Permit for Joseph Cappadonna, dba Biagio's Donut Shop, 35523 Vine Street, Eastlake. This was referred to Planning Committee.

A request was received from the Administration to amend Ordinance Chapter 1361 "Fences." This was referred to Ordinance Committee.

A communication was received from the Administration regarding the Agreement between the City of Eastlake and Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council, Inc., Patrolmen-Sergeant – Lieutenants. Mr. Elshaw explained that this was discussed in Council-as-a-Whole Committee and will be added to the evening's agenda as Legislation No. 08-26-(05).

A request was received from Police Chief Ruth regarding the review of the Nestor Traffic System. This was referred to Safety Committee.

A communication was received from Finance Director Mr. Condrón regarding a proposed contract with the Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District. This was referred to the Storm Water Management Committee.

A communication was received from the Administration requesting acceptance of a donation from Carolyn Freeman of a picnic table for the Dog Park. Mr. Elshaw explained if there are no objections from Council the acceptance legislation will be placed on the September 9, 2008 agenda.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS
SERVICE/UTILITIES COMMITTEE – Mr. Zontini

Mr. Zontini was absent and excused.

There were no further questions of Mr. Zontini.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Mr. Morley

Mr. Morley: The Safety Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting but as Chief Ruth has requested we review the Nestor Traffic System I will be in communication with him to schedule a presentation by Nestor Traffic. This concludes by report and I am open for questions. I will be making the following Motion:

Legislative Recommendation

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 08-26-(05) to the evening's agenda authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into an Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc., Patrolmen, Sergeants, Lieutenants. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 08-26-(05) is added to the evening's agenda.

There were no questions of Mr. Morley.

RECREATION COMMITTEE – Mr. Lajeunesse

Mr. Lajeunesse: The Recreation Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore there is nothing to report. I would like to thank Service Director Mr. Semik for being out on the corner of the promontory on Hillcrest this morning monitoring the

traffic light. Several residents call me in the morning inquiring why they are not getting through the light as quickly as they should. I did send some communications last night and today regarding this – perhaps during Mr. Semik’s report he can explain what is happening with the traffic light. On August 7th the Captain’s hosted a K-9 evening at the ballpark – through donations and ticket sales they will be making a donation to the City for the K-9 unit sometime in September or October. Also, I have sent three memoranda on the whereabouts of \$10,000 worth of lumber that we used at the Haunted House. If anyone from the Administration would like to answer that question it would be most appreciated. I sent the first memo in July, the second one in August and the third was just sent recently.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Mr. Klammer?

Mr. Klammer: I do not know where it is.

Mayor Andrzejewski: No, we talked about it. You were to send a note to Mr. Lajeunesse.

Mr. Klammer: I did – was it still on City property?

Mayor Andrzejewski: Yes.

Mr. Klammer: My position was it was to remain on City property until the litigation is resolved. I do not know where it is. But, it is still on City property.

Mr. Lajeunesse: Well, it was a big stack by the salt pile and was covered by blue canvas.

Mayor Andrzejewski: So, you knew where it was?

Mr. Lajeunesse: No, it is not there now. That is my question.

Mr. Klammer: I don’t know.

Mr. Semik: I contacted Mr. Klammer’s office several months back when they came to pick up that wood. I was advised they had a certain amount of time to remove it and store it somewhere else. You said it would be good idea. That has been removed by the operators of the Haunted House.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Good.

Mr. Lajeunesse: I am kind of curious why when it was City property.

Mayor Andrzejewski: The wood is now gone – it is not on City property – that was our number one objective – to get that out of here.

Mr. Lajeunesse: But, the City owned the lumber, is that not correct?

Mr. Klammer: I stand corrected – to the extent that this is involved in pending litigation we should have this discussion in Executive Session.

Mr. Lajeunesse: Then maybe we should have an Executive Session based on something that is worth that amount that I have never received an answer to until now.

Mr. Elshaw: Is the wood part of the law suit?

Mr. Klammer: Yes, it is.

Mayor Andrzejewski: It is and it isn't.

Mr. Klammer: If you remember, there was a certain amount of offset with respect to the rent – the argument would be that a portion of the materials could be included as part of the expense – I would expect to be able to make that argument to that extent. It is part of the litigation.

Mr. Elshaw: Is there a value to that – that property of the City.

Mr. Klammer: I don't know.

Mayor Andrzejewski: As far as the Haunted House – they bought the wood - they own the wood. It was an expense as far as the operations of the Haunted House. We wanted them to get the wood out of there – in fact I asked Mr. Klammer to send them a letter asking them to get the wood off City property or they would have to start paying us rent. They removed it.

Mr. Lajeunesse: I thought that was part of the contract but maybe I am wrong.

Mr. Klammer: We can discuss it but I would prefer we discuss this in Executive Session.

Mr. Lajeunesse: I will leave it there for now. This concludes my report. I will be making the following Motion:

Legislative Recommendation

Legislation No. 08-26-(06)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 08-26-(06) to the evening's agenda authorizing and directing the Finance Director to re-advertise for bids for the sale of HUD property located at 34988 Beachpark Avenue, Eastlake, Ohio, P.P. #34A014Q000190 as found on "Exhibit A," attached hereto and incorporated herein, there will be no bid accepted under Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), said bids to be in accordance with specifications on file in the Office of the Finance Director. Mr. Morley seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 08-26-(06) is added to the evening's agenda.

There were no questions of Mr. Lajeunesse.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – Mr. D'Ambrosio

Mr. D'Ambrosio: The Planning Committee has not met during our Council break, therefore, I have no formal report. There have been items referred into my Committee and I will coordinate with my Committee members and the Clerk to schedule a meeting in the near future.

This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. D'Ambrosio.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mr. Knuchel

Mr. Knuchel: I have no formal report tonight as we have not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting. But, we will have at least two meetings in the very near future to discuss our mid-year budget review, our 5-year plan and re-appropriations for 2008. I will be making the following Motions:

Legislative Recommendation

Legislation No. 08-26-(02)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 08-26-(02) to the evening's agenda authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the Slide Repair Project on S.R. 283 in Eastlake, Lake County, Ohio. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 08-26-(02) is added to the evening's agenda.

Legislation No. 08-26-(03)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 08-26-(03) to the evening's agenda authorizing the City Engineer to prepare Plans and Specifications to Advertise for Bids for the Slide Repair on S.R. 283 Project in Eastlake. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 08-26-(03) is added to the evening's agenda.

Legislation No. 08-26-(04)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 08-26-(04) to the evening's agenda regarding an Ordinance to Revise the Codified Ordinances by adopting Current Replacement Pages. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 08-26-(04) is added to the evening's agenda.

The Walter Drane Company: Invoice

MOTION: I hereby move to approve payment to The Walter Drane Company for services rendered regarding the update of the City of Eastlake Codified Ordinances, said payment to be \$3,251.00 and taken from account #101.120.5446. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The payment to The Walter Drane Company in the amount of \$3,251.00 is approved.

There were no questions of Mr. Knuchel.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - Ms. Vaughn

Ms. Vaughn: The Ordinance Committee has not met since the last Council meeting and I will be contacting my Committee to schedule a meeting in the future. I spent a lot of time this summer with members of the Eastlake Block Watch - we meet at Jakse Park and there is another meeting tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. We had an outstanding turnout at National Night Out – members of Council were there, the Mayor was there, Fire Chief, Chief Ruth, Police officers, Firemen and all kinds of individuals – if you missed it try to plan for it next year – it was a wonderful evening. That concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Ms. Vaughn.

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Elshaw recognized the public input at this time; he reminded the speakers that there is a 3-minute limit for their comments; all comments are to be directed to the Chair and not include any personalities or individuals.

Larry Cadman, 36296 South Riverview Drive, Eastlake

Mr. Cadman: I had a few thoughts on this drainage ditch proposal that was brought to my attention the last couple of weeks – I realize that it is not my property that is drainage for this ditch and because of that it is really none of my business what is done with the property behind me. It is owned by DeMilta's. But, it is my tax money as well as everybody else's that will pay for it – over \$100,000 for a South Riverview project from what I understand. It is also the business of every taxpayer in Eastlake – if I did not know about it and I live on the street I wonder how many other residents don't know what the money is being spent on. Given the recent history I think that is important. I understand there is a catch basin going into the middle of the neighborhood at the lowest point and it will drain several yards. That sounds wonderful for those yards. But, the problem is it will require the removal of hundreds of trees of all sizes and species. It will require by law a permanent maintenance program. It will bring a lot of drainage from the DeMilta property into the area behind my yard which does not have a water problem now – that is a concern. It does not make sense to bring water to an area that does not have water and to drain it to a place that does. After discussing this with Mr. DiMilta as to what his thoughts were – he thought it would be a good idea because at some time in the future he was going to need to drain it anyway and it would be a good way to get it done at City's expense. If he wants to improve the infrastructure on his land he has every right to do so – but, with the City just getting back on its feet after the last time when people were spending money and nobody knew where it was. Another concern is the open ditch – there is a safety issue – it will be full of water at times when it rains and could be hazard to children who could drown. It could be breeding ground for disease carrying mosquitoes and I was also told that this could be the site of a land fill and you don't want to start digging in there – you could open up a can of worms you don't want to – you may just want to leave it go. I found a lot of laws of the State of Ohio on ditches on the internet with very little effort – about what people are allowed and not allowed to do when draining water from their properties – and, it was not hard to find. I have not got much information on the where and why and how for a City so before we spend hundreds of thousands of dollars – we don't have it – at least that is what I have heard - if there are any overruns and I am concerned. It is not that the drainage is definitely needed – we have to do something because

it is getting worse – not better – but, that is because of development – not because it is raining more.

Dennis Skinner, 36334 South Riverview Drive, Eastlake

Mr. Skinner: I am all for the project because I am directly affected – I have considerable water – I have been working approximately for 1 ½ years with the Mayor, Service Director, Councilmen regarding the area. Concerning the standing water we have now I have not had any conversation with Mr. DiMilta. The City has been very patient in trying to find a solution. We appreciate it. All I ask is that Council keep in mind that it is directly affecting the quality of life – a lot of property value – and it does not seem to be getting any better. All I am really asking is that some kind of solution be found.

Mr. Elshaw: The Mayor and I had a conversation between meetings about the situation – I have also received phone calls – one person against what is going on. I would like to hear all sides and I think everyone here would be the same. If you would like to stay after the meeting I would like to hear more – Mr. Knuchel who has been heavily involved and the Mayor.

Mayor Andrzejewski: As far as I know there are no plans to develop the DiMilta property and as far as I can see there never will be – that is a sand/gravel pit. I do not think it is right to say DiMilta is using the City labor to pursue some agenda. In fact, he has been very cooperative in offering to help dig the ditch with his own equipment and save the City money. Secondly, anything we do there will be designed, reviewed and approved by our City Engineer and the Service Department will do the work along with Mr. DiMilta. As to the thousands of dollars – what we talked about doing after the meeting is to scrap part two of the project and just address part one – which is to dig the ditch and install piping so there will only be a partial open ditch – the rest will be piped – no standing water. That would require the purchase of the pipe but all the labor would be done by the City. But, we felt it was necessary to address the problem of the standing water.

There was no one else who wished to speak.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED - First number will be 2008-061

RESOLUTION NO.: 08-26-(01)

Requested by: Finance Director Condron

Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Finance to appropriate an additional Four Thousand One Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$4,117.00) into Account Code #622.000.5407 for the Steve Guard Memorial Fund, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to place of First Reading. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is placed on First Reading.

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Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

RESOLUTION NO.: 08-26-(02)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the Slide Repair Project on S.R. 283 in Eastlake, Lake County, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to adopt. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2008-061.

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Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

RESOLUTION NO.: 08-26-(03)

A Resolution authorizing the City Engineer to prepare Plans and Specifications to Advertise for Bids for the Slide Repair on S.R. 283 Project in Eastlake, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to adopt. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2008-062.

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Requested by: Council Clerk
Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

ORDINANCE NO. 08-26-(04)

An Ordinance to Revise the Codified Ordinances by adopting Current Replacement Pages, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to adopt. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2008-063.

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Requested by: Administration	<u>RESOLUTION NO.: 08-26-(05)</u>
Sponsored by: Mr. Morley	A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into an Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc., Patrolmen, Sergeants, Lieutenants, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2008-064.

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Requested by: Administration	<u>RESOLUTION NO.: 08-26-(06)</u>
Sponsored by: Mr. Zontini	A Resolution authorizing and directing the Finance Director to re-advertise for bids for the sale of HUD property located at 34988 Beachpark Avenue, Eastlake, Ohio, P.P. #34A014Q000190 as found on "Exhibit A," attached hereto and incorporated herein, there will be no bid accepted under Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), said bids to be in accordance with specifications on file in the Office of the Finance Director, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Lajeunesse moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Morley seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Lajeunesse moved to adopt. Mr. Morley seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2008-066.

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LEGISLATION PENDING
There was no Legislation Pending.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR – Ted Andrzejewski

Mayor Andrzejewski: We had a couple of meetings – one with the residents of North and South Riverview – the second meeting with the residents of South Lakeshore Blvd. We were approved for two projects out of the six we applied for – the big one is the Quentin Road pump station – that is a major headache and has caused flooding problems in people's basements. That will make six pump stations in the last two years that were replaced – they were 15-20 year old pump stations and should have been replaced years ago. We received grants from the State to cover 30%-40% of the costs. The second project was for South Lakeshore. Governor Strickland is going to ask the Legislature to approve about \$400 million for infrastructure improvements. We got some projects in the pipeline so we would be in line for the funds if they were released. South Lakeshore is on that list and if the money is released that project will be funded. We wanted to let the residents know what is going on and ask for their input – the best scenario is in March, 2009 the legislature will approve the \$400 million- then we will do South Lakeshore with Council's approval. If the money is not released then this project will go to the next round of OPWC grants with a high priority – then South Lakeshore would be done in 2010. The residents wanted to wait to have the complete road done at one time instead of sections over several years. If the money is approved there will be \$512,000 from the grant – in the meantime we will patch the road as necessary. The matching funds will come from the road fund. The second meeting was with the residents of North and South Riverview –but, we have already discussed this. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Knuchel: The grant for South Lakeshore – was that a 60%-40% grant?

Mayor Andrzejewski: 40% from the State and 50% from the City.

Mr. Knuchel: The total is about \$852,000?

Mayor Andrzejewski: Yes – to do the whole South Lakeshore it would be \$1.3 million dollars – that is the amount our road levy brings in.

Mr. Knuchel: Are we planning on depleting a lot of that road levy fund with this project?

Mayor Andrzejewski: There would be \$500,000 left to do other streets.

Mr. Knuchel: Is that adequate to do what we need to do?

Mayor Andrzejewski: We have to – we will just divide that amount by the other Wards and do as much as we can. It is a street that is really bad. If the State is willing to give 40% of the cost and we pay 60% of the cost that is a good deal.

Mr. Elshaw: I recognize roads are very important to residents – I have received a couple of calls this year and I am an At-Large Councilman – and, I am sure all the Ward Councilman get quite a bit of calls.

Mayor Andrzejewski: And the Mayor.

Mr. Elshaw: I understand it is important but we are trying to fit everything in – that is the concern – everyone wants their road done – they all feel that theirs is in the worst shape – it is setting up priorities.

Mayor Andrzejewski: We have four Wards and each Ward gets an equal share – Ward 4 has a lot of cement streets, other Wards have asphalt streets. It may be that the following year Ward 4 does not get as much work as the other Wards.

Mr. Elshaw: So, you are proposing a delay on South Lakeshore?

Mayor Andrzejewski: We decided to wait until we get the grant – instead we will do another street in place of the section on South Lakeshore we had previously planned.

Mr. Elshaw: For those who are waiting for their streets to get done – and some are in worse shape than others and will take priority. For the others, can we have the Dura-Patcher patch the roads while they are waiting?

Mayor Andrzejewski: A crew of two will be out every other week and will alternate daily between Wards. Every year we intend to put projects in for Issue 2 funding. We are optimistic the \$400 million will be approved. We will keep applying for other roads.

Mr. Elshaw: I am glad we are taking care of the pump stations – when I first started I was hearing from members of Council that we should check that out – it is good we are taking care of that – it is one of those things that is tucked away and no one knows about.

Mayor Andrzejewski: A lot of people don't see what goes on behind their taking a shower – if the State is going to pay 40% of a million dollar project we will take it. A lot of things go on behind the scenes that people don't see that help keep the City running.

There were no further questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: Fatur, Extreme Creators and a workers' comp case are still pending. I have nothing further to report other than congratulations to Ms. Vaughn on her awards for her art projects and her paintings. I am open for questions.

Ms. Vaughn: Thank you. I entered items in the fair and received two blue ribbons for baskets and one for a photograph and I received three red ribbons for paintings and a photograph.

There were no further questions of Mr. Klammer.

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Brian Condrón

Mr. Condrón: The City's 2006-2007 audit began on August 18th. We are finalizing the North Parkway sewers – one person paid and the others will be certified to the County Auditor. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Elshaw: How is the audit coming along?

Mr. Condrón: Only one person was here the first seven days – there will be more on staff.

Mr. Elshaw: How is the 5-year forecast coming along?

Mr. Condrón: It is coming along.

Mr. Elshaw: That would be for 2008 through 2012?

Mr. Condrón: Right.

Mr. Elshaw: The capital plan – we will have that also?

Mr. Condrón: Yes.

Mr. Elshaw: I am not saying all these will be covered in one meeting.

Mr. Condrón: They will be ready.

Mr. Knuchel: As far as the 5-year plan and capital plan – are those going to be inclusive of any re-appropriation we will be doing later on in the month of September?

Mr. Condrón: They probably will be – we will have the best information we can.

Mr. Knuchel: If it is at all possible, I would like those included.

Mr. Condrón: Okay.

Mr. Elshaw: So, you are saying you do not think we will need too many re-appropriations for the year?

Mr. Condrón: The revenues and expenses are doing alright so far.

There were no questions of Mr. Condrón.

TAX ADMINISTRATOR – Angela Keneven-Zanella

Mrs. Keneven-Zanella was absent and excused.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Mike Semik

Mr. Semik: Ronyak will be in the Tuesday after Labor Day to profile four streets – we should pave them Thursday and Friday, depending on how fast they complete the profiling – otherwise, we will pave the next week. The City crews have been doing concrete work – they are repairing

catch basins and repairing intersections. T.C. Construction has completed the concrete work in front of the school with the next location being the Waverly intersection which has been a concern of everybody. The dura-patcher has been out this week – as long as the weather complies we will be out. Regarding Mr. Lajeunesse's comments about the traffic light by Hillcrest – I monitored it last night and this morning – the light is functioning properly. If someone is driving differently (for instance by talking on a cell phone) they can interrupt the loop. Once there is a break the loop will automatically detect that and the relay will cycle the light.

Mayor Andrzejewski: It is the same on Vine Street when turning onto S.R. 91 – if that first car does not go through you are stuck.

Mr. Semik: This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no further questions of Mr. Semik.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – John Stigalt

Mr. Stigalt: I have been here a month now and trying to keep things rolling – trying to get a direction for the Building Department – more customer service oriented for our residents. I am trying to concentrate on property maintenance which is our number one issue and I think has been a little lax – we are making great headway with the inspections we have. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Stigalt.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: Previously I sent the information on the applications for the Quentin Road Pump Station. In addition we had a preconstruction meeting for the Quentin Road Pump Station and I expect that work to be underway within the next month or so. I also had communication with CSK regarding the Roberts Road railway crossing – trying to get a schedule. I am also working on a request for the final application to be submitted for the Issue 1 application for which we were successful for Quentin Road and South Lakeshore Blvd. This has been requested to be turned in by October 1st. I sent a communication to the Mayor and Council President on the required legislation that is part of the application. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Knuchel: Regarding the Roberts Road project – we had talked a few weeks ago – did you make contact with the man at CSX to speak with him about the project?

Mr. Gwydir: I have been in touch with a number of people and finally reached the Project Engineer in hopes to close the loop on scheduling the work. The initial contact had retired.

Mr. Knuchel: Thank you for your efforts as this has been going on for a long time and it is a very difficult road to complete. Are you aware of how much money we still have left in the Roberts Road project to fund the remainder of the work?

Mr. Gwydir: I am generally aware that there are sufficient funds to finish up the work – I do not have those figures at my fingertips. I would be very glad to discuss those with you. We are

looking the best way to maximize the grant money. The railway issue has taken more than a year and I will try to get the contractor back to finish the portion of the road – we anticipate he may request a price adjustment because of the increase prices of that kind of work.

Mr. Elshaw: What exactly are the plans for the crossing? I know they will install gates.

Mr. Gwydir: The crossing will have gates and lights. We are working alleviating the drainage issue on the south side. We also sent a communication to the Ohio Road Development Commission – there has been some concern about the bell sound at the crossing gate – that may be a little bit obnoxious when occurring at night.

There were no further questions of Mr. Gwydir.

POLICE CHIEF – John Ruth

Chief Ruth was absent and excused.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Chief Whittington: With the cooperation of the Lubrizol Corporation – an educational video was provided on what to do when the sirens go off. Most importantly, we need to relay that when they hear the siren do not call 911. Our dispatch system just about shut down from all the calls and it makes it difficult – this was the same across the County – the County dispatch center was also almost shut down. The educational video is available – there is no copyright so it can be copied. We received another grant in the amount of \$750 from the Willoughby Elks – that grant will be used for software – the reason we received the grant was the person in charge of this has a relative who lives in Eastlake who our crews assisted on several occasions and because of the help he received from our firefighters he arranged for us to get this grant. We will be having a drill in Perry with the bomb start and hazmat team - with the scenario being at the Perry school. I will send information on this to everybody here. We want to showcase what we can do – with the scenario being what to do in case of a bomb threat. Lake County had two incidents last year. We have been asked to take part in this – this is something no one ever really gets to see. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Chief Whittington.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:32 p.m.

DEREK W. ELSHAW, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____
DEBORAH A. CENDROSKI, CMC
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