

**COUNCIL AS A WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY  
MAY 22, 2012**

Council President Mr. Morley opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Members of Council in attendance were Mr. Matheke, Ms. DePledge, Ms. Vaughn, Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins, Mr. Hoefle, Mr. D'Ambrosio and Council President Mr. Morley. Also attending was Council Clerk Mrs. Cendroski.

Attending from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, Finance Director Slocum, Service Director Semik, City Engineer Gwydir, Police Chief Reik and Fire Chief Whittington.

Also in attendance were CBO Stigalt and members of the public.

**SWEARING IN OF PATROLMAN TIMOTHY HAUSER ON HIS PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT FOR THE CITY OF EASTLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Patrolman Timothy Hauser was sworn in and recognized on his promotion to the rank of Sergeant for the City of Eastlake Police Department.

**SWEARING IN OF SERGEANT THOMAS ANGELO ON HIS PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT FOR THE CITY OF EASTLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Sergeant Thomas Angelo was sworn in and recognized on his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant for the City of Eastlake Police Department.

**LEGISLATION PROPOSED:**

**05-22-(01): RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY: 1.8-MILL RENEWAL LEVY**

Mr. Morley: Ms. Vaughn?

Ms. Vaughn: Appearing on tonight's agenda is a Resolution of Necessity. We are asking the residents to please renew a 1.8-mill levy. It is a renewal which was first enacted in 1982 and we badly need the funds to continue operating at least at the level we are at right now.

**05-22-(02): RE-APPROPRIATION: JANUARY 1, 2012 – DECEMBER 31, 2012**

Ms. Vaughn: We also discussed a re-appropriation of a small amount to cover the election costs which the Auditor has already taken from our funds.

**05-22-(03): STATE CONTRACT: 2012-2013 ROCK SALT**

Ms. Vaughn: We had a discussion on the rock salt. We do have some in stock already. Mr. Semik or Mr. Slocum would you describe the rock salt situation and why we are going to the State Contract this year?

Mr. Slocum: Basically, we believe with the stockpiled salt we have we will need between 800 and 1,200 tons of salt. We will probably be coming back to Council to go out for a backup bid

for salt. When going with the State we have to commit to tonnage. With the backup bid we just commit to a price without any specific volume.

Ms. Vaughn: Thank you. You will find all these items on the agenda.

05-22-(04): NEW ENACTMENT: CITY ORDINANCE SECTION 513.15 “PROHIBITION ON THE USE, POSSESSION AND SALE OF SYNTHETIC CANNABINOIDS AND OTHER SYNTHETIC DRUGS”

Mr. Morley: Mr. Hoefle?

Mr. Hoefle: The Ordinance Committee met last week and discussed this ordinance which was presented to us by Chief Reik. Chief Reik, would you like to add something to this?

Chief Reik: For those of you who do not know there has been a local problem with synthetic marijuana. The State passed some laws to try to combat this but they made them pretty strict in the interpretation and did not include when people change the compound or raise one or lower one and it fell outside of some of those ranges. The local ordinances start up by taking over where the State law made it too rigid. Mansfield was the first to do it. Chief Straube of Willoughby had a shop that was operating and selling so they decided to be the Lake County pilot and enact their own ordinance a couple of months ago. He passed out the legislation to the other Chiefs knowing that once he passed it and served the store owner that things would get pushed into other communities and kicked down the road. Actually, they ended up coming into our City and fortunately Director Stigalt and I went and spoke to the people because they were selling commercial in an industrial area and we were able to shut them down immediately as they did not have a conditional use to be in the right zoning. They were selling the synthetic marijuana. The issue with this is that it is anywhere between 50 – 200 times more powerful than the nature grown marijuana. We want to enact this and the other Chiefs are in the midst of drafting their own or they have already presented legislation to their Councils. We may not get it out of the State but will at least get it out of the County. Once these kids are buying this stuff over the counter rather than in a back alley or somewhere at night I think they have a different feeling that this stuff is not as bad for them as the stuff they get in the back alleys because they are buying it at a counter at an ABC store. I think this will definitely help our youth to not have this stuff available to them and this was the best way to go about it.

Mr. Hoefle: Thank you, Chief. This came before our Committee last Tuesday and the Committee recommended it move forward.

05-22-(05): RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT: LAKE COUNTY, OHIO MAYORS’ AND MANAGERS’ ASSOCIATION’S GRANT APPLICATION: LAKE COUNTY JOINT FIRE DISTRICT FEASIBILITY STUDY.

Mr. Morley: Mr. Matheke?

Mr. Matheke: We discussed this in Safety Committee. The State of Ohio has made \$45 million available for communities to apply for grants. It is the Local Government Innovation Fund and provides \$45 million - \$36 million is available in loans and \$9 million for feasibility studies.

The Lake County Mayors' and Managers' Association would like to apply for \$100,000 to do a feasibility study on a possibility of a Lake County Joint Fire District. This will appear on this evening's agenda as Legislation No. 05-22-(05).

LEGISLATION PENDING

There was no Legislation Pending.

MISCELLANEOUS

There was no Miscellaneous

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:19 p.m.

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