

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 24, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Eastlake City Council was held at Eastlake City Hall, 35150 Lakeshore Boulevard. The Meeting was called to order by Council President Mr. Morley at approximately 7:18 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hoefle.

ATTENDEES

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

Those attending from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, Finance Director Slocum, CBO Stigalt, City Engineer Gwydir, and Police Chief Reik.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MAY 10, 2011

MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 10, 2011. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Morley

Meetings Scheduled

Mr. Morley: The next Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council meeting will be convened immediately following the adjournment of the Council-as-a-Whole Committee meeting.

An Economic & Community Development Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Charter Amendments

Mr. Morley: We have some Charter Amendments that did not go on the ballot in November because we already had five on the ballot. There are four amendments left. My suggest is, unless anyone on Council really thinks we should put these on in November, is to hold off for right now.

There were no objections.

Mr. Morley: So, we will hold off on these for now.

Bldv. of 500 Flags

Mr. Morley: I would like to thank everyone who came to put up the flags in the rain on the 14th. We did get it done in one day. Thank you to Ms. DePledge for donating the pop, water and donuts and for bringing her nephews and nieces. They are always very helpful.

Tomorrow, Chairman of the Bldv. of 500 Flags Committee Mr. Strand and I will be meeting with Congressman LaTourette's office to talk about possibly getting some funding to replace the flag poles for the Bldv. of 500 Flags. We are meeting at 11:30 a.m.

On Memorial Day, May 30th at 11:00 a.m., we will be having our own Memorial Day Services.

RECOGNITION OF EASTLAKE NORTH SOFTBALL TEAM ON QUALIFYING FOR THE REGIONAL STATE HIGH SCHOOL TOURNAMENT.

Mr. Morley: I would like to recognize the members of the Eastlake North Softball Team for qualifying for the Regional State High School Tournament. They are playing at the University of Akron tomorrow. They all grew up playing fast pitch in the Brandt's back yard at Central Park since the age of 8 years old. The Seniors are: Kelsey Paholke, Emily Lemin, Katie Braun, Kara Fitzgerald, Brittany Krainz; Juniors: Mo Brandt, Bella Latine, Kelly Spellman; Sophomore: Brie Kei; and, Freshman: Halle McKinney and Lyndsay Englebrach. We wish the Girls Softball Team the best of luck and hope they win tomorrow.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A funding request was received from WPCC Superintendant Gorka regarding the replacement of the Influent Barscreen & Influent Screen Building. This is referred to Finance Committee.

A communication was received from Finance Director Slocum regarding the 2012 Tax Budget. Mr. Morley explained that this was discussed in Council-as-a-Whole Committee and will be added to the evening's agenda as Legislation No. 05-24-(04).

A communication was received from the Administration regarding the bid award for the Service yard bio-retention basins. This was referred to Finance Committee.

DISCUSSION

Mr. Slocum: The Administration is having specs drawn right now for the electrical project which is the NOPEC grant previously accepted by Council. I will have that to you hopefully by the end of this week and I would like to have that referred into Committee so it can be acted upon at the next meeting.

Mr. Morley: Will you have all the numbers before I put it into Committee? Will we have it a few days before we go into Committee?

Mr. Slocum: Yes, the City Engineer is drafting the specs for the project and I have been told they should have it by Friday.

Mr. Morley: If we get that we will put in into Service/Utilities Committee – let me know and we will coordinate the meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECREATION COMMITTEE – Mr. Hoefle

Mr. Hoefle: The Recreation Committee has not met since our last meeting and nothing has been placed in my Committee so I will not be scheduling a meeting. I would like to congratulate Eastlake Police Lieutenant Bob Gonzalez and Auxiliary Officer Tim Klein on their nominations as Eastlake Police Department Officers of the Year – if you can pass that along Chief Reik. It is a great achievement for them. Also, I have been talking to some of the residents about this November and getting ideas as to how they feel. I have talked to different people and received emails. One I received was in regards to the Task Force the City of Willoughby Hills has implemented. They had an eleven member resident Task Force. I was wondering from the Administration if this was something we may want to look at implementing – to look at cost cutting, revenue generation and stuff like that. It seems like Willoughby Hills has something they put into place. I know this is just bringing this to your attention Mayor but I was wondering if you had a chance to read that article.

Mayor Andrzejewski: No, you caught me off guard. If you want to send over some information I will be glad to take a look at it.

Mr. Hoefle: No problem. It was just an article in the News Herald. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Knuchel: For clarification, Willoughby did the same thing.

There were no questions of Mr. Hoefle.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – Mr. D’Ambrosio

Mr. D’Ambrosio: The Planning Committee met on May 17, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. with me and Mr. Lajeunesse present from the Committee. Mr. Knuchel was absent and excused. In attendance from Council were Ms. DePledge, Mr. Hoefle, and Council President Morley. Ms. Vaughn was absent and excused. In attendance from the Administration were Service Director Semik and City Engineer Gwydir. CBO Stigalt was absent and excused. He called ahead of time and provided some information on something that was on the agenda. One item was on the agenda – an accessory structure request from William Lanning, 444 Brook Drive. The reason it came to Council was because he wants to build a garage addition that exceeds the 750 square feet and it has to go through Council. Mr. Stigalt was happy with all the paperwork and did not see any problems – correct?

Mr. Stigalt: Yes.

Mr. D'Ambrosio: We decided to move that forward. I will be making a Motion on this:

Accessory Structure Request:

MOTION: I hereby move to approve, in accordance with City of Eastlake Ordinance Section 1145.13 "Accessory Buildings and Uses: Garages and Parking Facilities, subsection (f)" the accessory structure request for William Lanning, 444 Brook Drive, Eastlake, Ohio.

Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The Accessory Structure request is approved.

Conditional Use Permit Renewal

MOTION: I hereby move to approve the Conditional Use Permit renewal for Pete's Bar & Grille, Inc., 35700 Lakeland Blvd., Eastlake, Ohio 44095. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The Conditional Use Permit renewal is approved.

Additional Comments

Mr. D'Ambrosio: Mr. Morley, I wish you and Mr. Strand good luck at Rep. LaTourette's office. I hope we get some funds for those flag poles. That concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Hoefle: I just want to get some clarification on the ordinance for the accessory structure – just so the residents know – that came to Council because it was on 1 acre or more – is that correct?

Mr. D'Ambrosio: I believe it was over the 750 square feet that was permitted. That is why it came to us.

Mr. Hoefle: Mr. Stigalt, because it was over one acre – that is why it came to Council instead of the Zoning Board?

Mr. Stigalt: Any zoning in an S-1 or S-5 – a acre or larger – if you want to build an accessory structure larger than 750 square feet it is permitted through Council motion only. Just those two districts.

There were no questions of Mr. D'Ambrosio.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mr. Knuchel

Mr. Knuchel: The Finance Committee has not met since our last regularly scheduled Council meeting but since a few things have been placed in Committee we will be having a meeting on Tuesday, June 7th. Mr. Slocum, on the Tax Budget for 2012 - that is the amount

of money you are requesting from the County? That does not necessarily mean that is the money we are going to get – is that correct?

Mr. Slocum: It is the money we should be authorized by the County. We will probably collect a little bit less due to the collection percentages – reducing the actual amount. But, it is the full value of all the levies we have had voted on and full value of the inside millage.

Mr. Knuchel: Thank you, I just wanted that clarification: I will be making a Motion:
Legislative Recommendation

Legislation No. 05-24-(04)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 05-24-(04) to the evening's agenda accepting the Tax Budget for 2012 as presented by the Director of Finance. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 05-24-(04) is added to the evening's agenda.

Additional Comments:

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

There were no questions of Mr. Knuchel.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - Ms. Vaughn

Ms. Vaughn: The Ordinance Committee has not met since our last Council meeting, however, I will be scheduling a meeting to try to clean up some odds and ends and I will schedule it for June 7th either before or after the other meetings. I also wonder if the Chief Building Official has had the opportunity to look at the information I forwarded on the registration of vacant homes. It is a program they are doing in Painesville and I wondered if you have had an opportunity to look at it and if you have not if you would and get back to me?

Mr. Stigalt: Okay.

Ms. Vaughn: This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. D'Ambrosio: Mr. Knuchel and Ms. Vaughn, I am in both your Committees and I will not be in attendance on June 7th – I will be out of town.

Ms. Vaughn: I will be making the following Motion:

Legislative Recommendation

Legislation No. 05-24-(03)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 05-24-(03) to the evening's agenda repealing Ordinance No. 2011-052 and Ordinance No. 2011-053, adopted April 26, 2011 Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 05-24-(03) is added to the evening's agenda.

There were no questions of Ms. Vaughn.

SERVICE/UTILITIES COMMITTEE - Ms. DePledge

Ms. DePledge: The Service/Utilities Committee met on May 17th at 6:02 p.m. with me, Mr. Hoefle and Mr. Lajeunesse. In attendance from Council were Mr. D'Ambrosio and Mr. Morley. In attendance from the Administration were Service Director Semik and City Engineer Mr. Gwydir. One item was on the evening's agenda – a bid advertisement request for the Edwards Avenue storm sewer project. We had discussion on this and I will refer it to Mr. Gwydir.

Mr. Gwydir: As stated before...

Mr. Morley: We discussed this earlier in Council-as-a-Whole Committee.

Ms. DePledge: Okay. I will be scheduling a meeting for June 7th in accordance with other meetings that have been scheduled. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions from Ms. DePledge.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Mr. Lajeunesse

Mr. Lajeunesse: The Safety Committee has not met since our last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore, there is nothing to report. However, I am in agreement with Mr. Hoefle in regards to the Task Force that Willoughby Hills has begun to form as it does include strategic planning which I mentioned a few years ago. I thought would be beneficial to the City of Eastlake. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Lajeunesse.

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Morley 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.

There was no one who wished to speak.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED - First number will be 2011-075

Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Ms. DePledge

RESOLUTION NO.: 05-24-(01)

A Resolution authorizing and directing the City Engineer's, C.T. Consultants, Inc., to advertise for bids for the Edwards Avenue Storm Sewer Improvement Project, said bids to be in accordance with plans and specifications on file in the Office of the City Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Ms. DePledge moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2011-075.

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Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Council

RESOLUTION NO. 05-24-(02)

A Resolution Submitting to the Electors of the City the question of an Additional 4.0-Mill Tax for the purpose of Current Expenses, and declaring an emergency.

There was no motion to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full.

Legislation No. 05-24-(02) is placed on First Reading.

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Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Ms. Vaughn

ORDINANCE NO.: 05-24-(03)

An Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 2011-052 and Ordinance No. 2011-053, adopted April 26, 2011," and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2011-076.

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RESOLUTION NO.: 05-24-(04)

Requested by: Finance Director Slocum
Sponsored by: Mr. Knuchel

A Resolution accepting the Tax Budget for 2012 as presented by the Director of Finance, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Knuchel moved to adopt. Mr. D’Ambrosio seconded

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2011-077.

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LEGISLATION PENDING (Placed on First Reading 05/10/2011)

ORDINANCE NO: 05-10-(07)

Requested by: Planning Commission
Sponsored by: Mr. D’Ambrosio

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2002-030, adopted March 26, 2002, and authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit to Pete’s Bar & Grille, Inc., 35700 Lakeland Blvd., Eastlake, Ohio 44095, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. D’Ambrosio moved to adopt. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2011-078.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR – Ted Andrzejewski

Mayor Andrzejewski: I have nothing more to add other than what I went through as an explanation of our reasons for the levy. I am open for questions.

There were no further questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Klammer.

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Mike Slocum

Mr. Slocum: The only thing I have to report is starting this week, as a small part of addressing the deficit the City is facing, I am going on a 32-hour work week. I believe I can still complete everything I need to complete for the job. It is a small contribution to the deficit. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Morley: I appreciate that.

Mr. Lajeunesse: Mr. Slocum, I commend you for that. It is appreciated. Thank you.

There were no questions of Mr. Slocum.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: It has been generally quiet on the engineering front. We are working on some miscellaneous items with the Administration. I am open for questions.

There were no further questions of Mr. Gwydir.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Mike Semik

Mr. Semik was absent and excused.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – John Stigalt

Mr. Stigalt: We have been keeping busy with property maintenance – especially the grass now that we have a break in the weather. We are trying to get the grass cut not only in the vacant homes but some of the residence's homes who have neglected the grass or whatever. We have WalMart – it is still on progress to start sometime in June. There is another internet café that wants to open up in the Vineyards. They are bringing plans in next week. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Stigalt.

POLICE CHIEF – Larry Reik

Chief Reik: We will be conducting our Department City auction on June 18th at 10:00 a.m. We will be publishing a notice in the newspaper on June 4th and June 11th. As in the past we will have a few City items and the rest being property items to be disposed of.

Mr. Morley: Can you forward that list to Council?

Chief Reik: Yes, I have nothing else to report.

There were no questions of Chief Reik.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Fire Chief Whittington was absent and excused.

TAX ADMINISTRATOR – Angela Keneven-Zanella

Mrs. Keneven-Zanella was absent and excused.

Additional Comments

Mr. Morley: I will emphasize again – Monday, Memorial Day, please come out and honor our fallen soldiers and have a happy and safe Memorial Day.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:42 p.m.

DENNIS MORLEY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____
DEBORAH A. CENDROSKI, CMC
CLERK OF COUNCIL