

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 27, 2012**

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 7:06 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Vaughn.

ATTENDEES

Members of Council in attendance were Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Licht, Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins, Ms. DePledge, Mr. Hoefle, 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, City Engineer Gwydir, Police Chief Reik and Fire Chief Whittington.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting – November 13, 2012

MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 13, 2012. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Morley

Meetings Scheduled

Mr. Morley: The next Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council meeting will be convened immediately following the adjournment of the Council-as-a-Whole Committee meeting.

It is good to see the Mattingly family back. We were going to have to cancel the meeting if you did not come tonight. It is nice to see you back in the audience.

I would also like to thank everyone who showed up on November 17th to take down the flags. We had about 100-150 people from all different groups – Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Young Marines, the Police Chief and Fire Chief. We were done in about ½ hour. We deeply appreciate all the help from the residents as well. We even had residents from other cities here. And, thank you to Biagios for donating donuts. And we had hot chocolate and coffee from the Chiefs.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A Conditional Use Permit was received recommendation from the Planning Commission for 7-Eleven, Inc., 35068 Vine Street, Eastlake. This was referred to Planning Committee.

A communication was received from the Administration regarding the replacement of the doors at the JFK Senior Center. This was referred to Finance Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Morley: A Finance Committee meeting was held. Ms. Vaughn?

Finance Committee – Ms. Vaughn, Chair

Ms. Vaughn: As I reported in Council-as-a-Whole Committee I will report briefly. Our meeting was held on November 20th with all members of Council present. In attendance from the Administration were the Mayor and Finance Director. We discussed the bid award for the towing contract, the E-bay auction for the Police Department, the Side Letter between Eastlake and Cascia, LLC – all these items appear on this evening's agenda. We added the Fire Department pension pickup legislation to the agenda. We also discussed the budget and the October financial report as well as the Eastlake Citizens' Task Force proposals which we all are reviewing and will discuss further as part of our budget review for next year. I will be scheduling a meeting for Tuesday, December 4th at which time we will discuss the bond issue Mr. Slocum brought forward but most of the time will be spent on the budget. Hopefully, Mr. Slocum, we will have the information by then?

Mr. Slocum: We will have it for next year and we are trying to take a look at any re-appropriations we may need for the remainder of this year.

Ms. Vaughn: We will also discuss the pillars and doors for the Senior Center. I would like to remind everyone that this Saturday, December 1st is our Community Christmas sharing and gathering at WalMart from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This is the entire City work force working together with E-Pal – the Police, Fire and Service Departments and other employees collecting donations of cash and toys for the young children of families who are serving in the Armed forces and are in need. If everyone stops by and either helps us in collecting donations or make a donation we would greatly appreciate it. This concludes my report.

Mr. D'Ambrosio: Ms. Vaughn, I have had a Conditional Use Permit referred into my Committee. Would you mind if I hold a meeting at 6:00 p.m. right before yours?

Ms. Vaughn: Perfect.

Mr. Slocum: As a follow-up with the Senior Center. Based on last week's meeting Mr. Semik did send a letter to the School Board detailing the work.

Ms. Vaughn: Maybe we will have a response so we can act on it at the next Council meeting.

There were no further questions or Ms. Vaughn.

Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins: I just wanted to thank St. Justyn Martyr’s Church for supporting the illumination of the nativity scene in front of City Hall. I think that is wonderful.

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 2012-074

Requested by: Administration Sponsored by: Finance Committee	<u>RESOLUTION NO.: 11-27-(01)</u> A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into a Contract with O’Connor’s Towing Service, Inc., the lowest, best and most responsible bidder, to provide Towing Services on an as-needed basis for the costs as outlined, and declaring an emergency.
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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 Resolution No. 2012-074.

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Requested by: Administration Sponsored by: Finance Committee	<u>RESOLUTION NO.: 11-27-(02)</u> A Resolution authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety, or his duly authorized representative, to proceed with the Solicitation of Bids through an Online Public Auction for the City of Eastlake Police Department for the Sale of Item(s) enumerated herein, and declaring an emergency.
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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 Resolution No. 2012-075.

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Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Finance Committee

RESOLUTION NO.: 11-27-(03)
A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into the Seventh Side Letter Agreement between the City of Eastlake and Cascia, LLC, in relation to the “Amendment” to the Lease Agreement, 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 Resolution No. 2012-076.

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Requested by: Administration &
Eastlake Fire Department
Sponsored by: Finance Committee

RESOLUTION NO.: 11-27-(04)
A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance, effective January 1, 2013, to pick-up ten percent (10%) of the mandatory contributions by the employees who are members of the Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund by paying the contributions on behalf of the employee, 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 Resolution No. 2012-077.

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LEGISLATION PENDING

There is 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: I want to remind everyone that December 9th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. we will have our Christmas with Santa. The North High choir will be here and the Girl Scouts will provide cookies – there will be a sing-a-long. Everyone from Council and the Administration is welcome to attend.

There were no questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: If you remember the Eastlake Industrial Park – Mr. Chipetta. There is a foreclosure on that property and we are named in it. As luck I have it we actually have mortgages on it going back to that loan. I wanted you to be aware of it because from time to time people may ask you about the property. We don't own it or control it. We are involved in the lawsuit but it really has no significance to us – we are secondary in any regard anyways – it is pending. I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Klammer.

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Mike Slocum

Mr. Slocum: We received notification from the County that we will be receiving a grant in the amount of \$28,837 for recycling. This was fully expected. We are going to forward this money to Republic which should result in a \$4 credit per resident on their bill and hopefully we will have it before the next bill is generated. The residents are the ones paying for the recycling and they should be the ones to receive the benefit from this grant.

Mr. Morley: Will there be a notice or anything on the bill?

Mr. Slocum: We will put it on the web site. I don't know if there will be anything on the bill. I will talk to Republic.

Mr. Morley: We can put it in our articles or on the City web site.

Mr. Slocum: Hopefully, we will have this money within the next week or so. If that can be included in the articles for next month it should be appropriate. We have been working hard with the certifications. We are certifying for the first time the storm water collections for next year plus any delinquencies that exist. The good part is we will be shutting down our utility

billing system and we will have the County doing this going forward. In addition to the storm water we will be collecting the money that is still owned us for garbage fees – about \$22,000 in delinquencies – that we will be put on the tax duplicate and we will be putting any of the property maintenance bills for grass cuttings and the like – about \$35,000 – and the fees that are due Republic which is pursuant to the City’s contract with Republic. We have been working on this last week and this week and are fortunate to have received an updated list from the County Treasurer with the permanent parcel numbers and addresses. We use this to validate what we are presenting. We need to make sure we have a good list going forward. I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Slocum.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: I have nothing to report and am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Gwydir.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Mike Semik

Mr. Semik was absent.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – John Stigalt

Mr. Stigalt was absent.

POLICE CHIEF – Larry Reik

Chief Reik: Ms. Vaughn talked about the Community Christmas. Many of you are scheduled and any others are welcome to drop by and say “Hi” and participate with us. I am open for questions.

Mr. Morley: Did you find out who we can make checks out to?

Chief Reik: Eastlake PAL.

There were no further questions of Chief Reik.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Chief Whittington: Yesterday we had a large beach fire. It was not a huge deal as far as causing a lot of damage but it caused a lot of smoke. If anyone was receiving calls about what was going on – with the wind blowing from the north and the conditions there was a lot of smoke. We were there until about 8:00 p.m. There was no potential for damage but there was a lot of smoke and I know the dispatch center was receiving a lot of calls about the smoke. I know in working with Chief Reik and his people – we survived WalMart at the Thanksgiving Eve opening. If you were at WalMart there was a lot of chaos going on but WalMart did a nice job keeping the lines and the police were there. We did have a presence up there with a patrol car parked in front. I know Chief Lloyd was on duty and I was up there an hour or so. It was absolutely crazy up there but the Police and Fire tried to make sure

everything was being maintained. It is a huge building so the occupancy permit for that is enormous. They can get thousands of people in there. I am open for questions.

Mr. Morley: I texted Chief Reik about the rumors that were going on and he quashed them. I only received about three phone calls.

Mayor Andrzejewski: I was there and had to park all the way down by ValuKing. My son and his wife and I got in line for the TV only to find out we had to have a ticket. At that point we said it was a nice deal but was not worth it. I have never seen so many people. It appears the Thanksgiving Eve sales took away from the Black Friday sales.

Mr. Morley: They said the on-line shopping was 25% higher than last year.

Mayor Andrzejewski: There was a lot of chaos but they handled it.

Ms. DePledge: Chief Reik, you said to make the checks out to E-Pal but isn't it the Victim's Advocates that are sponsoring it?

Chief Reik: Victims' Advocate Christine Gibaldi is our point person but it is sponsored by all the Departments. The reason we are going through E-Pal is so everything goes into one account - for instance if we get \$2,000 we will spend \$2,200 and E-PAL will cover the difference as part of their donation. They are a 501C3. It just makes it an easier way to go. There is no special recognition for any of the groups - it is a culmination of efforts by everyone.

There were no questions of Chief Whittington.

MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Morley asked for a Motion to adjourn into Executive Session Motion for fact finding and information gathering related to an issue between the Mayor and the Fire Chief?

MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to adjourn into Executive Session for fact finding and information gathering related to an issue between the Mayor and the Fire Chief. Mr. Hoefle seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned into Executive Session for fact finding and information gathering related to an issue between the Mayor and the Fire Chief.

MEETING CALLED BACK TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to adjourn back into the Regular Council Meeting. Ms. DePledge seconded. The meeting was called back to the Regular Council Meeting with Mr. D'Ambrosio, Ms. DePledge, Mr. Licht, Mrs. Quinn Hopkins, Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Hoefle and Mr. Morley in attendance.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The Executive Session was adjourned back into the Regular Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.

DENNIS MORLEY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____

DEBORAH A. CENDROSKI,
CLERK OF COUNCIL