

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 25, 2013**

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 7:10 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. D'Ambrosio.

ATTENDEES

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting with adjournment into Executive Session – June 11, 2013

MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting with adjournment into Executive Session of June 11, 2013. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Licht, Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins, Ms. Vaughn,
Ms. DePledge, Mr. Morley.
Abstain: Mr. Hoefle

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, July 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council meeting will be convened immediately following the adjournment of the Council-as-a-Whole Committee meeting.

Motion to approve 2013 Council Break

Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to approve, in accordance with Article V, Section 5 of the Charter of the City of Eastlake the suspension of the last meeting in July, 2013 and the first meeting in August, 2013 for the summer break. Mr. Licht seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The 2013 Council break is approved.

Additional Comments

Mr. Morley: Mayor and Directors who are present Ms. DePledge and Mr. Licht will be absent and on vacation at the July 9th meeting. As such we will not have enough people to approve any legislation and all would have to go on First Reading. If there is anything we will need in between we may have to hold a special meeting upon their return. It would be only for emergencies.

Mr. Slocum: To my knowledge I have nothing.

Mr. Morley: Please advise the rest of the Directors who are not present.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

Conditional Use Permit referrals were received from the Planning Commission for China Buffet Yu, Inc., 33550 Vine Street, Eastlake and Vine Properties Co. Partnership, 34001 Vine Street, Eastlake. These were referred to Planning Committee.

A bid recommendation was received from the Administration for the Erieview Drive Reconstruction Project. 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. 06-25-(05).

Additional Comments:

Mr. Morley: Per discussion at the Council-as-a-Whole meeting I am referring the email received from C.T. Consultant's regarding the ideas for the repairs to Stevens Blvd. west of S.R. 91 to Service/Utilities Committee.

Ms. Vaughn: I know Council will be on break but I am scheduling a Finance Committee meeting on July 16th as at that point in time we will have the six month breakdown of all our expenses. We cannot get it before that time and I feel it is important to look at the first six months of this year. I am also respectfully requesting the Directors and Chiefs to be there as well.

Mr. Morley: Also, if anything comes up we can discuss it that night as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Morley: An Ordinance Committee meeting was held.

Ordinance Committee – Mr. Hoefle, Mr. D'Ambrosio, Co-Chairs

Mr. Hoefle: The Ordinance Committee met Tuesday, June 18th with all members of the Committee and Council present except for Mr. Licht who was absent and excused. In attendance from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski and Finance Director Slocum. We discussed the Commissions and Boards – Mr. Slocum, do you have any comments?

Mr. Slocum: The purpose of the amendments is due to the recent IRS audit. We had to put all Board and Commission members who receive a \$50 monthly stipend on the actual payroll. We had several different Board members request to not get paid. So, this gives us the ability to reimburse them for expenses and keep them off the payroll. My guess is there will not be that much expense actually spent but if there is then there is – we will take care of it.

There were no further questions or comments.

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.

Ted Beres, 36706 Lakehurst Drive, Eastlake

Mr. Beres: Saturday my wife wanted me to drive her to Shoregate before the banks closed at 2:00 p.m. On the way back home we got stopped by the barricade on S.R. 91 and Lakeshore Blvd. for the parade. So, we like many others had to turn around and go the other way. I am familiar with the area and had no problems finding an alternate route. But some people may have been new to the area and may have been going to the Riverfest but they had to turn back. When you see other cities in the news they usually pick a main street and do not zigzag through their community. The old WalMart has a large, empty parking lot – maybe you could assemble there and go down Vine Street or if you are going to maintain the same route maybe you could do what they do for funerals – have a police car go in advance of the parade and block off the intersection until everyone goes through and then go on down to the next intersection and block it. I think there are some ways we could avoid the inconvenience to the people who are traveling through our community.

There was no one who wished to speak.

Legislative Recommendation

Legislation No. 06-25-(05)

Ms. Vaughn moved to add Legislation No. 06-25-(05) to the evening’s agenda authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into a Contract with A&J Cement Contractor, Inc., the most responsible and lowest and best bidder, for the Erieview Drive Reconstruction Project for the total amount of Three Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$383,520.00). Mr. D’Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 06-25-(05) is added to the evening’s agenda.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED - First number will be 2013-047

Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE NO.: 06-25-(01)

An Ordinance amending Section 155.27
“Civil Service Commission” of the
Codified Ordinances of the City of
Eastlake, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2013-047.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE NO.: 06-25-(02)
An Ordinance amending Section 155.28
“Planning Commission, Park and Shade
Tree Commission and Zoning Board” of
the Codified Ordinances of the City of
Eastlake, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2013-048.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE NO.: 06-25-(03)
An Ordinance amending Section
1305.01 “Board Membership; Terms;
Compensation” of the Codified
Ordinances of the City of Eastlake, and
declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Ordinance No. 2013-049.

Requested by: Finance Director Slocum
Sponsored by: Council

ORDINANCE NO.: 06-25-(04)
An Ordinance to re-appropriate for the
expenses of the City of Eastlake, State of
Ohio, for the period beginning January
1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2013,
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. 2013-050.

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Requested by: Administration
Sponsored by: Council

RESOLUTION NO.: 06-25-(05)
A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into a Contract with A&J Cement Contractor, Inc., the most responsible and lowest and best bidder, for the Erieview Drive Reconstruction Project for the total amount of Three Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$383,520.00), 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. 2013-051.

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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: Those of you who attended the festival know we had some nice crowds and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves – there were more rides this year. It turned

out nice – a little hot. The parade was good and we had about 30 participants – the kids like the candy. These are not promises and these are not set in stone – but I am working on a couple of things with WalMart. One is to try to get the cut through back between where the old WalMart was and the new WalMart is now. The hang up seems to be with the owner of the plaza. WalMart is all for it. The grocery store who you would think may object to us is actually for it. For whatever reason the owner of the plaza is not and I am trying to arrange a meeting between WalMart and myself and the owner of the plaza to see if we can work something out. Also, I am going to talk to the WalMart people about the two entrances on Vine Street to see if we can get left and right turns. The other thing I am looking at is to try to get ODOT to allow us to put a no right turn on red on East 337th Street and Vine Street. It would allow people turning left into WalMart more time. Right now if the light is red on East 337th Street and it is okay to turn right on red people just keep turning and there is no space for the people turning left. You will have growing pains. I listen to all comments and will try to pursue things. It is not a promise – do not tell people that – I have to have consensus from all parties involved. I am aware of some of the calls and difficulties and when all this is over I know WalMart will add a tremendous increase. I have talked with other businesses and they have told us they have had increased business because of WalMart. I have to comment on the parade route. I have been Mayor for 9 years and have done the parade over the same locations and route for 9 years. I can tell you in all honesty I have never, never had a complaint about the route. The kids know that route – there are residential neighborhoods there – there are houses there and that is what they prefer. I would hate to tie up Route 91 and Vine Street for an hour or two for a parade. Can you imagine if we started at WalMart all the businesses that would be shut down for about an hour for the parade to go through and then coming up S.R. 91 – we would not have access to Vine Street, Stevens, Glen or Beachpark. We do shut down Roberts a little bit but that is a small portion of S.R.91. I appreciate all comments and I will listen to all comments but the parade route is fine the way it is and I would not want to tie up our businesses on Vine Street. I am open for questions.

Mr. Morley: Mayor, we have received some calls from people on East 337th Street – one resident who lives across from the bank who has said since the bank opened that driveway she has a lot of headlights through her home. I know she spoke with you and Mr. D'Ambrosio. I have not had that many calls – mainly about the tie-ups on East 337th Street.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Two ladies were not aware Vine Street had two entrances – they thought the only access was on East 337th Street. I think it will all work out – it will just require some fine tuning.

There were no further questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: The pawn shop thing is still moving forward. We had a hearing the other day. The Mayor noticed something in the agreement we will address and it should work itself out. I should have a draft for you. I followed up with the email sent some time ago to you, Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins, regarding the ECDC. Whenever you wish to follow-up please let me know. I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Klammer

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Mike Slocum

Mr. Slocum: I am not sure if Council is aware but the Visitor's Bureau is vacating their offices at the stadium. They have decided to relocate to Painesville. I think it is consistent with the grant we had been receiving which expired this year – as that is gone – they are gone. They never entertained any thought of negotiation in retaining the lease. They are moving.

Mr. D'Ambrosio: I know there was another business that left the City with about 100 employees?

Mr. Slocum: Right.

Mr. D'Ambrosio: Is there a way you can show how much revenue will be lost – I know there are tax issues you have to be careful with – so we have an idea of how much revenue reduction there will be?

Mr. Slocum: If you read the paper I think Euclid reported they are bringing about \$5.5 million in jobs there – they are not taking \$5.5 million from us – there is an expansion. But it will sting. I am limited as to what I can report. But, that loss will sting. I do not know when they are leaving or what their timetable is. It will not help.

There were no further questions of Mr. Slocum.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir was absent and excused.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Mike Semik

Mr. Semik was absent and excused.

ACTING CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – Edward Walsh

Mr. Walsh was absent.

POLICE CHIEF – Larry Reik

Chief Reik was absent and excused.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Chief Whittington was absent and excused.

MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Morley asked for a Motion to adjourn into Executive Session for consideration of personnel involving the possible hiring of a new Chief Building Official.

MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to adjourn into Executive Session for consideration of personnel involving the possible hiring of a new Chief Building Official. Ms. DePledge seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned into Executive Session for consideration of personnel involving the possible hiring of a new Chief Building Official.

MEETING CALLED BACK TO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

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

MOTION TO APPOINT JAMES McREYNOLDS AS CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL

Ms. DePledge moved to confirm the appointment of James McReynolds as Chief Building Official for the City of Eastlake. Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. James McReynolds’s appointment as Chief Building Official for the City of Eastlake is confirmed.

MOTION TO APPROVE VACATION TIME

Ms. Vaughn moved to approve, pursuant to City Ordinance Section 155.01(i), the Mayor’s granting of four week’s annual vacation to Chief Building Official James McReynolds. Mr. D’Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The four week’s annual vacation time for Chief Building Official James McReynolds is approved.

ADJOURNMENT

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

DENNIS MORLEY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____

DEBORAH A. CENDROSKI,
CLERK OF COUNCIL