

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

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. Elshaw at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Matheke.

ATTENDEES

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

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

SWEARING IN OF BOB LLOYD AS BATTALION CHIEF FOR THE CITY OF EASTLAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Andrzejewski administered the oath of office to Bob Lloyd as Battalion Chief with the City of Eastlake Fire Department.

SWEARING IN OF FRANK KOVACIC AS LIEUTENANT FOR THE CITY OF EASTLAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Andrzejewski administered the oath of office to Frank Kovacic as Lieutenant with the City of Eastlake Fire Department.

Mr. Elshaw: On behalf of Eastlake City Council congratulations to Chief Lloyd and Lt. Kovacic – great job.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – OCTOBER 27, 2009

MOTION: Ms. Vaughn moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 27, 2009. Mr. Lajeunesse seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Elshaw
Meetings Scheduled

The Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

The Economic & Community Development Council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

A motion will be made tonight to re-schedule the December meetings - pursuant to City of Eastlake Ordinance 111.01 "Rules of Council" the Tuesday, December 8, 2009 Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting and the Regular Council Meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday, December 1, 2009, with the Council-as-a-Whole Meeting being scheduled for 7:00 p.m. and the Regular Council Meeting being scheduled for 7:30 p.m., and the Tuesday, December 22, 2009 Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting and Regular Council Meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday, December 15, 2009, with the Council-as-a-Whole Meeting being scheduled for 7:00 p.m. and the Regular Council Meeting being scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

I would like to congratulate Mayor Andrzejewski, Councilman Dennis Morley, Ms. Laura DePledge and Mr. Ken Hoefle on their successful campaigns. Welcome aboard and welcome back. As to their opponents – you gave it a great try – you brought up some good points and new ideas and I encourage you to stay involved in the Community.

Tomorrow is Veteran's Day – we have a ceremony here at City Hall at 11:00 a.m. So, don't forget to say thanks to our veterans for their service to our country. I think everyone has heard about the events at Fort Hood and our hearts go out to the families of the individuals involved in that tragedy. I am sure they will say more about that tomorrow but our hearts do go out to their families.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A communication was received from Law Director Klammer regarding a lease agreement for a sledding hill. This was referred to Recreation Committee.

A communication was received from the Administration proposing an amendment to City Ordinance No. 351.03 "Prohibited Standing or Parking Places, subsection (q)." This was referred to Ordinance Committee.

A recommendation was received from the Administration for a Conditional Use Permit Renewal for NAZ Manufacturing dba Bullseye Dart Shoppe, Inc., 450 A Erie Road, Eastlake. This was referred to Planning Committee.

A communication was received from Council Clerk Mrs. Cendroski regarding a proposed amendment to City Ordinance Section 113.01 "Locations for Posting." This was referred to Ordinance Committee.

A communication was received from Finance Director Condron regarding the membership with the Ohio Municipal League. This was referred to Finance Committee.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

SERVICE/UTILITIES COMMITTEE - Mr. Matheke

Mr. Matheke: The Service/Utilities Committee has not met since our last regularly scheduled Council meeting. I have nothing on the agenda so this concludes my report.

There were no questions of Mr. Matheke.

SAFETY COMMITTEE – Mr. Morley

Mr. Morley: I, too, would like to congratulate the Mayor on his re-election and to Councilwoman-elect Ms. DePledge and Councilman-elect Mr. Hoefle – I look forward to the beginning of the year and working with both of you. The Safety Committee has nothing pending in Committee. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

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.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Mr. Lajeunesse, in November's Gazette article – I will read a couple of paragraphs and ask for information – “I sat on the oversight Committee for a few months and know that the City was given a plan” – very important point – “given a plan by the State to follow to get us where we are today.” Further on – “I mentioned to them that besides the fiscal plan given to us to follow” – again – “by the State.” Twice you mentioned that the City of Eastlake was given a plan by the State of Ohio to follow to get out of fiscal emergency. I have been asked to speak at a conference on November 19th concerning how the City of Eastlake and other cities get out of fiscal emergency. Could you please provide me – the Administration – with a copy of the plan that you have from the State of Ohio that led us out of fiscal emergency? And as you have asked, Mr. Lajeunesse, so many times can you give me a date when we can have that by?

Mr. Lajeunesse: As you have mentioned to me a few times – Mayor, would you like to discuss it in my office?

Mayor Andrzejewski: No, I am making a request for that plan that was mentioned twice in your article.

Mr. Lajeunesse: I will have to get back to you on that.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Do you know when you might be able to do that?

Mr. Lajeunesse: No, but I will get back to you.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Do you have a date – will I have it before November 19th?

Mr. Elshaw: Okay, you are going to look into providing that information, Mr. Lajeunesse?

Mr. Lajeunesse: Yes.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Is there such a plan?

Mr. Lajeunesse: I gave my answer.

Mayor Andrzejewski: Is there such a plan that you have, written by the State of Ohio, that gave us the framework to get out of fiscal emergency?

Mr. Elshaw: Okay, Mayor – you asked him for the plan. I got you. I disagree that there is such a plan and that is my opinion. But, if you will go ahead and look for that, Mr. Lajeunesse, and please provide it.

Mayor Andrzejewski: I will ask for this again at the next meeting and if there is no plan then I would expect Mr. Lajeunesse to write a retraction of what he wrote in his article. If there is a plan – fine. If there is no plan this article is grossly out of place.

There were no further questions of Mr. Lajeunesse.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – Mr. D’Ambrosio

Mr. D’Ambrosio: The Planning Committee has not had a meeting since our last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore I will not be making formal report. I would like to congratulate the Mayor, Mr. Morley, Ms. DePledge and Mr. Hoefle on successfully being elected. I look forward to working with you and the Mayor and everyone and do what we have to do. This concludes my report – as items have been referred in Committee I will be coordinating with my Committee meetings and scheduling a meeting in the near future. I will be making the following Motion:

Liquor License Transfer Request

MOTION: I hereby move to approve, and send back to Columbus, Ohio with no objections, the liquor license transfer request for Sunoco, Inc. R & M dba Sunoco 7274, 33945 Vine Street, Eastlake, Ohio to Blessed Store, 33945 Vine Street, Eastlake, Ohio. Mr. Matheke seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The Liquor License Transfer request is approved.

There were no questions of Mr. D’Ambrosio.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mr. Knuchel

Mr. Knuchel: The Finance Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore, I have no formal report. But, I am glad that more things were put in Ms. Vaughn’s Committee than in mine this month. We will have a Finance Committee meeting if at all possible next Tuesday, November 17th at 6:00 p.m. We will discuss the quarterly budget review as well as the other items in my Committee. I would also like to congratulate all those who ran, especially those who won – Mayor Andrzejewski, Mr. Hoefle, Ms. DePledge and our Council Vice President Mr. Morley – good job and I look forward to working with you. I will be making the following Motion:

Reschedule: Meeting Dates

MOTION: I hereby move, pursuant to City of Eastlake Ordinance 111.01 “Rules of Council” to re-schedule the Tuesday, December 8, 2009 Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting and the Regular Council Meeting to Tuesday, December 1, 2009, with the Council-as-a-Whole Meeting being scheduled for 7:00 p.m. and the Regular Council Meeting being scheduled for 7:30 p.m.; and, further to re-schedule the Tuesday, December 22, 2009 Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting and the Regular Council Meeting to Tuesday,

December 15, 2009, with the Council-as-a-Whole Meeting being scheduled for 7:00 p.m. and the Regular Council Meeting being scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Mr. Morley seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. The December, 2009 meetings are rescheduled.

Additional Comments

Mr. Knuchel: Mr. Gwydir, thank you for your help on getting those driveways done – those 10 people are very happy. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Knuchel.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - Ms. Vaughn

Ms. Vaughn: I have no report but I have notified by memo – I will poll my Committee and we request that you refer back the item on the part-time fire fighters wages back to the Administration with no action – it is a non-budgeted item this year and should be discussed after the 2010 budget is established. I would like to poll my Committee at this time.

Mr. D’Ambrosio: Yes, I agree with that.

Mr. Morley: I agree with that.

Ms. Vaughn: That is the recommendation. I would like to extend my congratulations to the Fire Department for the overwhelming Community support on their renewal levy. It is badly needed money and the Community stepped up to the plate and said – go for it guys. I have nothing additional to report and I will not be scheduling a meeting at this time 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.

James Strand, 1223 East 343rd Street, Eastlake

Mr. Strand: I live at 1223 East 343rd Street, Eastlake, Ohio – I have lived there for 30 years and I have had the pleasure of being in Ward 1 for 30 years and I want to compliment my Council for keeping us informed. It is the first time I have ever had so much information come to me on email with all that is going on in the City and the H1N1 virus clinic coming up – I told everyone on my street and we are going to South High. Why I am here tonight is – we’ve heard through my Council about things going on with the pool in Eastlake. We were told because of the problems we had that we would not have a pool because they were in bad shape. We accepted that. The following year we were told the money is allocated to renovate one of the pools. In the spring the Service Department checked the lines in the pool and found out they were leaking and needed repair. So, then we were told they went out for bids to do the repairs – the bid process is probably over with now. And, my thing is you

promised the residents and the kids in this City that we would have a pool next year. Now, what I am hearing is – now, that is not going to happen. I don't think it is right that we are now going to backwash like we did with the Senior Center and I don't want to go out and start another campaign to raise money. I think you can work something out where money can be allocated to renovate one of the pools. I know building a new complex is ridiculous – that is a lot of money – over \$5 million – that is ridiculous for us to try to come up with. I think it is better to use something we already have then trying to build something new. I know from talking to some of you tonight that your feelings are you want to have a pool. So, with all the collective minds here – sit down – and I think you can come up with something. I hope that the word will come out that the Council of the City of Eastlake has granted the residents of this City a new pool for next year. I appreciate your allowing me to speak tonight and I hope to see a lot of you at the memorial service at 11:00 p.m. I have to work so I can't be there but I have someone standing in my place.

There was no one else who wished to speak.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED - First number will be 2009-128

There was no Legislation Proposed.

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: I don't have a formal report other than I will concur with Mr. Strand and I absolutely, positively, without a doubt believe that we need a pool in this City for the youth or our City – for the kids of our City – we can and we will get it done. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Congratulations to Ken Hoefle, Laura DePledge and Dennis Morley on their successful campaigns.

There were no further questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: I compliment all the candidates – certainly the Council races – to those of you who won – congratulations and to those others you should be proud of what you accomplished as well. Mr. Mayor, congratulations. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Klammer.

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Brian Condron

Mr. Condron: We have been working on the budget for 2010, the five-year forecast and the re-appropriations for the Council packages on the 20th. We will finish up October the first part of next week. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Condron.

TAX ADMINISTRATOR – Angela Keneven-Zanella

Mrs. Keneven-Zanella was absent and excused.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Mike Semik

Mr. Semik: The Service Department has nothing to report other than we are currently picking up leaves and will be back in the areas weather permitting. This concludes my report except I would like to congratulate the Mayor, Mr. Morley, Ms. DePledge and Mr. Hoefle.

There were no questions of Mr. Semik.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – John Stigalt

Mr. Stigalt was absent and excused.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: Congratulations on your elections – one and all. It has been rather quiet. We had some driveway aprons on Roberts Road replaced and South Lakeshore Blvd.'s mainline maintenance is complete and should be finalized in about 1 ½ weeks. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Gwydir.

POLICE CHIEF – John Ruth

Chief Ruth was absent and excused.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Chief Whittington: Congratulations to all who were elected. I thank the Mayor and Council for the swearing-in ceremony. It is a big deal for our Fire Department – to receive such support. They put in a lot of work and time in the process and it is appreciated. I wanted to thank everyone for their support on the levy – it is important for me as the Fire Chief and we do not take it for granted. We want to make sure the people know we appreciate it and we will work very hard. Some firemen and I walked the streets and passed out literature for the levy and I appreciate their support also. The POD for H1N1 is coming up on Sunday. I talked to Mr. D'Ambrosio who put information on his website. Sunday will be for Eastlake, Lakeline, and Timberlake – there are six target groups – children between 6 months and 24 years old, care givers of children who are less than 6 months old, anyone between 25 and 64 years with serious conditions, pregnant women and health care and emergency workers. Those are the groups that will be targeted on Sunday. The hours are from 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. in Zone 1 and from 2:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Zone 2. The City of Willoughby is making sure they are prepared to receive our residents. I spoke with Chief Ruth who spoke with Chief Straub and I also talked to the Service Director for the City of Willoughby and they assured us they are prepared. As far as the Fire Departments – we will

be ensuring manpower and will be on standby. We have worked very hard to prepare ourselves. I am sure the Mayor and any of the Councilmen can come down there and represent their Ward. We have started vaccinating in the schools – St. Justine, Longfellow, Thomas Jefferson and will finish up with Washington. The big thing as far as our Community is concerned – the children had a good opportunity to get the shots or mist up the nose and our residents will have an opportunity of Sunday. I am open for questions.

Mr. D’Ambrosio: Thank you for giving me that information. You said the swearing in is a big deal for the Fire Department – well to me it is a big deal. I think it is pretty neat to see how many people show up for those things. I would like to see us do that more often. I think it is great to see how different Departments come together to see someone going through the promotion process. I enjoy it.

Mr. Klammer: My son – I have two beautiful children – my son was privileged to receive the nasal spray – how long before we know we are out of the woods to see if he could get the flu?

Chief Whittington: Two weeks until they build up immunity.

Mr. Elshaw: Congratulations on the fire equipment levy.

There were no further questions of Chief Whittington.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:04 p.m.

DEREK W. ELSHAW, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: _____

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