

**EASTLAKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 26, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Eastlake City Council was held at Eastlake City Hall, 35150 Lake Shore 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. Morley.

RECOGNITION OF BEEF O'BRADY'S FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION TO THE EASTLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT K-9 UNIT

Councilman Mr. D'Ambrosio presented a plaque of appreciation to Mrs. Laura Werner, owner of Beef O'Bradys, for the very generous donation to the Eastlake Police Department K-9 Unit.

ATTENDEES

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

Those attending from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Finance Director Mr. Condron, Law Director Mr. Klammer, CBO Mr. Voros, City Engineer Mr. Gwydir, Police Chief Ruth and Fire Chief Sabo.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETING ó FEBRUARY 12, 2008

MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to approve the minutes of the Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting with adjournment into Executive Session of February 12, 2008. Mr. Morley seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Morley, Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Knuchel, Mr. Elshaw
Abstain: Mr. Lajeunesse

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ó FEBRUARY 12, 2008

MOTION: Mr. D'Ambrosio moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 12, 2008. Mr. Morley seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Morley, Ms. Vaughn, Mr. Knuchel, Mr. Elshaw
Abstain: Mr. Lajeunesse

Motion carried. The minutes were approved.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT ó Mr. Elshaw

Meetings Scheduled

Mr. Elshaw: A Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A sponsorship request was received from the Eastlake Baseball League for its 2008 Season. Mr. Elshaw explained this was for each Councilperson's individual consideration.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

SERVICE/UTILITIES COMMITTEE ó Mr. Zontini

Mr. Zontini was absent and excused.

SAFETY COMMITTEE ó Mr. Morley

Mr. Morley: The Safety Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting. There was discussion in the Council-as-a-Whole Committee about the radios for the Fire Department ó as soon as we receive the communication on this and it is placed in Safety Committee I will schedule a meeting. Until that time the Committee is current and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Morley.

RECREATION COMMITTEE ó Mr. Lajeunesse

Mr. Lajeunesse: The Recreation Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, however, I will be in touch with the Service/Recreation Director Mr. Semik in regarding to scheduling a meeting with the Leagues and PAL so they can bring us up to date on what they would like to see in the Community.

Mr. Lajeunesse made the following Motions:

Legislative Recommendation: Legislation No. 02-26-(02)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 02-26-(02) to the evening's agenda authorizing and directing the Chief Building Official to advertise for bids for Primary Services for Trash pickup and Mowing and Trimming of Grass, Brush, Weeds, and other Vegetation, said bids to be in accordance with specifications on file in the Office of the Chief Building Official. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 02-26-(02) is added to the evening's agenda.

Legislative Recommendation: Legislation No. 02-26-(03)

MOTION: I hereby move to add Legislation No. 02-26-(03) to the evening's agenda authorizing and directing the Chief Building Official to advertise for bids for Backup Services for Trash pickup and Mowing and Trimming of Grass, Brush, Weeds, and other Vegetation, said bids to be in accordance with specifications on file in the Office of the Chief Building Official. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation No. 02-26-(03) is added to the eveningø agenda.

Additional Comments

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

There were no questions of Mr. Lajeunesse.

PLANNING COMMITTEE ó Mr. DøAmbrosio

Mr. DøAmbrosio: The Planning Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, therefore I have no formal report. I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. DøAmbrosio.

FINANCE COMMITTEE ó Mr. Knuchel

Mr. Knuchel: The Finance Committee has not met since the last regularly scheduled Council meeting, but budget hearings will be held beginning March 4, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. with all Department Heads and audience members are welcome to come. 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 met on February 19, 2008 with myself and Mr. DøAmbrosio present. Mr. Morley was absent and excused. Other members of Council in attendance were Mr. Lajeunesse, Mr. Morley, Mr. Knuchel and Council President Mr. Elshaw who made sure I got off to a rousing start on my first meeting. Under discussion was a change to Ordinance 1161.02, specifically paragraph (f) which recommends a change in time frames. The current ordinance indicates a public hearing should be held within 45 days and the recommendation is a change to 60 days after receipt of the Commissions recommendation. The limitation of 45 days has on occasion presented small problems ó this will eliminate the problems although we are not constrained to using up to 60 days. I would like to recommend that this change more forward for approval and it appears on the eveningø agenda as Legislation 02-26-(01). This concludes my report. I have no meetings to schedule 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.

There was no one who wished to speak.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED - First number will be 2008-010

Requested by: Council Clerk
Sponsored by: Ms. Vaughn

ORDINANCE NO.: 02-26-(01)
An Ordinance amending Section 1161.02
Conditional Use Permits Generally, of the
Codified Ordinances of the City of Eastlake,
specifically Section 1161.02(f), 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. 2008-010.

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Requested by: CBO Mr. Voros
Sponsored by: Mr. Zontini

RESOLUTION NO.: 02-26-(02)
A Resolution authorizing and directing the Chief
Building Official to advertise for bids for Primary
Services for Trash pickup and Mowing and
Trimming of Grass, Brush, Weeds, and other
Vegetation, said bids to be in accordance with
specifications on file in the Office of the Chief
Building Official, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2008-011.

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Requested by: CBO Mr. Voros
Sponsored by: Mr. Zontini

RESOLUTION NO.: 02-26-(03)
A Resolution authorizing and directing the Chief
Building Official to advertise for bids for Backup
Services for Trash pickup and Mowing and
Trimming of Grass, Brush, Weeds, and other
Vegetation, said bids to be in accordance with
specifications on file in the Office of the Chief
Building Official, and declaring an emergency.

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

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Morley moved to adopt. Mr. D'Ambrosio seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No. 2008-012.

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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 ó Ted Andrzejewski

Mayor Andrzejewski: It has been a nice, slow two weeks. We have been notified by Good Will Industries that they are going to lease and operate a store where the old Staples building is on Vine Street. They have a nice operation and will employ 10 full time and 5 part time people. They help the handicap with job re-habilitation. It will be a nice addition to that building and will bring someone in who actually generates some tax dollars.

Mr. Knuchel: Is this the same Goodwill that had the place in the Vineyards?

Mayor Andrzejewski: Yes. This is a non-profit company ó anything taken in from the sale of clothing or donations go to Goodwill for its rehabilitation efforts. Teenagers shop at Goodwill Store for the good merchandise that is donated. The least amount of donations come from men because we don't tend to get rid of things ó the smallest collection they had was in men's clothing.

This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Elshaw: Last Council meeting people were here about the flooding on Quentin Road ó has there been any progress on identifying the issue?

Mayor Andrzejewski: The Service Director and Assistant Service Director met with the people ó I cannot remember what they concluded ó you will have to check with them.

Mr. Elshaw: We will send over a memo to Mr. Semik tomorrow.

Mayor Andrzejewski: On that note, I have been speaking with Mr. Gwydir ó on our next round of requests for pump station money Quentin Road will be the one and only because it will require a great deal of money.

There were no further questions of Mayor Andrzejewski.

LAW DIRECTOR ó Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: At the last Council meeting we discussed the SKRL litigation in Executive Session ó their Counsel has agreed to the terms of the settlement agreement so I will forward it to the Clerk to get it on the agenda for the next Council meeting. I have received short revisions from the Timberlake Solicitor ó upon my initial review there is nothing terribly objectionable so we should be tying that up soon and he will be forwarding a final draft to the Council Clerk and the Mayor. I am open for questions.

Mr. Elshaw: Mr. Klammer, have you had a chance to look at the oil and gas legislation?

Mr. Klammer: The Council Clerk reminded me this week ó he will review it.

Mr. Elshaw: I would like to get that to the Ordinance Committee as soon as we can.

There were no further questions of Mr. Klammer.

FINANCE DIRECTOR ó Brian Condrón

Mr. Condrón: Since the last Council meeting it has been a quiet two weeks. They have prepared the expenditure and revenue report for the month of January and are looking forward to the upcoming Finance Committee meeting on the budget. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no further questions of Mr. Condrón.

TAX ADMINISTRATOR ó Angela Keneven-Zanella

Mrs. Keneven-Zanella was absent and excused.

SERVICE DIRECTOR ó Mike Semik

Mr. Semik: This concluded his report and he was open for questions.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL ó Joe Voros

Mr. Voros: Thank you for passing the legislation allowing us to go out for bid ó it will help us again this year. We are receiving numerous complaints and will do our best to keep up with them with the help we have. If you are getting more complaints that we are not responding to fast enough it is just that we are doing what we can with what we have. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Mr. Voros.

CITY ENGINEER ó Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: Last week I was advised by the City of Willoughby that the forcemain into the Waste Water Treatment Plant just east of Forest Road is in need of emergency repair. They are presently using a contractor to repair approximately 300 feet and they anticipate the cost at about \$50,000, which they intend to take from the Replacement Fund. As soon as I receive the communication from Willoughby I will forward it to the Administration. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

Mr. Knuchel: That will be a 60%-40% split?

Mr. Gwydir. It is my understanding that is the case.

There were no further questions of Mr. Gwydir.

POLICE CHIEF ó John Ruth

Chief Ruth: Unlike the Finance Director and the Mayor my last two weeks have been not quite so quiet. A lot of things have been going on. On the positive side I have all my injured people back to work and healthy. On the negative side I will be losing one of my officers to go to training for ten weeks ó it is an excellent opportunity for us but does take him away from the City. Also, at the same time we will be training the K-9 officer so we will lose him for 10 weeks. The K-9 program is moving along well ó we got the dog ó a 1 ½ year old German Shepherd ó he is a good looking dog and should work out well. We start training him next week. I would like to compliment the public ó they have been overwhelmingly generous ó we have had major contributors as well as a lot of smaller contributors ó it shows a lot of heart in the City itself. They are just as important and we thank them just as much for their support. We are looking forward to moving forward with this project. We still have a dispatcher in training and should have that person up to speed within the next month. We have re-instated Officer Ken Roberts and he is a welcome addition. That will allow our rotating Detective to return to the Detective Bureau, which will allow the Department to be back together and be more proactive then last year when we tended to be more reactive then proactive. Hopefully, we have turned the corner on that. Since 2003 during the City's financial crisis we lost five officers and with the uncertainty of our staff the plans for PAL and building the PAL Center was put on the back burner. Now that things have stabilized we are getting back on course and are having PAL meetings regularly and are working on putting together plans to take a step forward on building the PAL Center which has been our goal since the initiation of PAL. As we move into the New Year it is good to be in a more proactive mode ó as much as we are able to do and make some forward movement. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Chief Ruth.

FIRE CHIEF ó Richard Sabo

Chief Sabo: Unfortunately when Chief Ruth is busy we are also busy ó we have had a lot work to catch up with the last major incident he had ó we stay quite busy. On the positive side we are moving forward with the Fire Chief tests on April 11th. That is the first part of the test and it will be followed by the oral part of the test a couple weeks later. We were also able to start interviewing some new candidates for positions in the Fire Department. Those are positive steps. This concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions of Chief Sabo.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:54 p.m.

DEREK W. ELSHAW, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: _____

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

