

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY  
JANUARY 8, 2019  
7:00 P.M.**

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. Meyers at approximately 7:02p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDEES

Members of Council in attendance were, Mr. Kasunick, Mr. Spotton, Mr. Hoefle, Mr. Evers, Mr. Overstreet, Mr. Zuren, and Council President Mr. Meyers. Also in attendance was Council Clerk Mrs. Simons.

Those attending from the Administration were Mayor Morley, Fire Chief Whittington, Police Chief Reik, CBO Menn, Service Director Rubertino, City Engineer Gwydir, Finance Director Schindel, and Law Director Klammer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regular Council Meeting Agenda –January 8, 2019.

MOTION: Mr. Zuren moved to approve the Agenda for January 8, 2019. Mr. Spotton second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes- December 18, 2018

MOTION: Mr. Zuren moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from December 18, 2018. Mr. Overstreet second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Minutes approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Meetings Scheduled

Mr. Meyers: The next Council-as-a-Whole Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Council meeting will be convened immediately following the adjournment of the Council-as-a-Whole Committee meeting.

There were no questions for Mr. Meyers.

#### COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

1. A communication from the Administration to amend the agreement with CT Consultants.  
Mr. Meyers: This was discussed in Council-As-A-Whole and it is on this evening's agenda.

2. A communication from WPCC Superintendent Gorka to expend funds for the repair cost for the Plain Road Pump Station Sewage Force Main.  
Mr. Meyers: This was discussed in Council-As-A-Whole and it is on this evening's agenda.

3. A communication from the Walter Drane Company regarding the December 2018 Codified Ordinances replacement pages.  
Mr. Meyers: This was discussed in Council-As-A-Whole and it is on this evening's agenda.

4. A communication from the Administration to enter into an agreement with BPI Information Systems, Inc. for the Eastlake Police Department.  
Mr. Meyers: This was discussed in Council-As-A-Whole and it is on this evening's agenda.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Meyers: No Committee Meetings were held since our last Regular Council Meeting. Mr. Zuren I believe you have some announcements.

Mr. Zuren: Thank you Mr. President. Yes I would like to welcome everybody to the next Vine Street Corridor Business Meeting it will be this Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at Severino's Restaurant. All residents and business owners are welcome. These meetings are in collaboration with Mayor Morley, Mayor Regovich, and Mayor Fiala. There is also a Volunteer Fair that we have set up for Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and that will be held at Harvest Bible Chapel on Melinz Parkway in Eastlake. It is a free event and currently there are over twenty non-profits signed up for the event. It is a great way to get involved in the community and I welcome everybody to go to that event. We also have the Eastlake Community Dog Show Expo, this is the second one, and we had one held last year. This is being held at the American-Croatian Lodge. It will be on February 24, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. There are seven categories that you can enter your pooch in...everything biggest/smallest dog to best trained, and this year we added an agility area as well as ice cream eating, and musical dogs. It's a lot of fun and currently we have about forty-five vendors signed up and we have room for seventy, so that is what we intend. There will also be a large Chinese Auction benefiting Amy's Adoptables. Out in the lobby there are sign up forms if you want to sign up your puppy or your dog for any of the contests. They are to be held to probably about tens dogs per contest, so if you want to reserve a spot I would suggest doing it soon. You can just email me the form. There are also registration forms for vendors; they are out in the lobby as well. With that I am open for questions.

There were no questions for Mr. Zuren.

## MOTION

MOTION: Mr. Zuren moved to re-appoint the following people: Joyce Bates, Jim Hopkins, Emilio DeCence, Deb Mullen, Jerry Richardson, Todd Gulley, and James Overstreet to the Charter Review Commission for the term expiring 12/31/2019. Mr. Evers second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried.

## RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC: 1/2 hour, 3-minutes per person

Mr. Meyers 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 Andrzejewski, 35432 Mondamin Drive, Eastlake, OH:

Mr. Andrzejewski: First time I've been here in five years I think, since I did my excursions outside of the State of Ohio. I picked up a little bit more experience. I will tell you why I am here and it took a lot for me to come here, because I know that this is going to be a sensitive topic and most of you who know me and I think that most of you do know that I'm a straight shooter. I think it's absolutely ridiculous and not in the best interest of citizens of Eastlake that Judy Moran was hired as an Administrative Assistant. This is nothing more than a political appointee. Ridiculous...you know who that goes back too? It goes back to Dan DiLiberto days, when he would appoint his political friends to jobs, because they need jobs. This is wrong people...wrong. If you need administrative all you had to do was put an ad in the paper, get the resumes in, and select the best available candidate. I am a nervous I haven't spoken in public for a while. When we hired people here when I was Mayor, we put it out there to the public. We got resumes. Mr. Slocum and I or whoever Mr. Semick, we would narrow it down to the best three candidates, call them in for an interview, and select the best one. We didn't go out there and say "Who in the political world needs a job?" "Which one of my friends needs a job?" That's wrong. It's absolutely not in the public interest. I hold every Council person responsible for this as well as Mr. Morley. And I know that I've talked to a couple of you and I was told that "We didn't hire here we just approved the position." Nonsense you knew what was going on. Council people know what the Mayor is going to do. Council people know what's in the background. Don't tell me you didn't know what was going on. I may give one or two of you the benefit of the doubt. I don't mean to say all of you. But you certainly knew a political person was going to be appointed. You should of stopped it right there. You should have pulled the money from the budget, or said if you need this person, if you really need them hire him or her. But go out there and get the best available candidate. You would have been better off getting a person for the Service Department at that rate of salary. And you know how I hear about this? People knew that I was back in town and they called me, or they saw me at the supermarket, or Marc's and said Mr. Andrzejewski did you know what was going on here? Mr. Morley I don't appreciate smirks. I'm here as a citizen expressing my point of view.

Mr. Meyers: Mr. Andrzejewski could you please address your comments to the chair.

Mr. Andrzejewski: Mr. President for the Mayor to start smirking at me please, please do the right thing, pull the position. Advertise if you want to keep the position. Get a competent and best qualified person for that position. Don't do this people, this is one what's the next one a retired commissioner now needs a job. Are we going to appoint him or her? Is that what this city is going to become...back to the DiLiberto day's. Thank you

Mr. Meyers: Thank you for your comments.

Mayor Morley: I will continue to take the high road with this person. For the last five years I've take the high and continue to do that. As for the hiring of the person and the resident as he said was the job was posted on Indeed for one month. As you guys are all aware, we got ten resumes as you are all aware. The Fire Chief and I picked four resumes to interview and we interviewed four people and we hired the best qualified person period thank you.

Mr. Meyers: Thank you Mayor Morley and Mr. Andrzejewski.

There was no one else wishing to speak.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED: First number will be 2019-001  
01-8-(01) RESOLUTION NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: Administration  
Sponsored by: Council

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to amend the agreement entered into with CT Consultants, Inc., for Engineering Services for the City of Eastlake with Thomas B. Gwydir as the designated representative as the Engineer for the City of Eastlake, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Evers moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Hoefle second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Evers moved to adopt. Mr. Hoefle second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No.: 2019-001.

01-08-(02) RESOLUTION NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: WPCC Superintendent Gorka  
Sponsored by: Council

A Resolution granting permission from the City of Eastlake to the City of Willoughby to expend funds in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Two Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-Five Dollars (\$22,695.00) for the repairs of the Plains Road Pump Station Sewage Force Main, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Kasunick moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Evers second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Kasunick moved to adopt. Mr. Evers second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No.: 2019-002.

01-08-(03) ORDINANCE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: Clerk of Council  
Sponsored by: Council

An ordinance to revise the Codified Ordinances by adopting current replacement pages, and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Kasunick moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Overstreet second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Kasunick moved to adopt. Mr. Overstreet second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No.: 2019-003.

01-08-(04) RESOLUTION NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: Administration  
Sponsored by: Finance Committee

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and Director of Finance to enter into an Agreement with BPI Information Systems, Inc. for services rendered to the Eastlake Police Department for the total amount of Thirty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$35,400.00), and declaring an emergency.

MOTION: Mr. Evers moved to suspend the rules requiring separate readings and reading in full. Mr. Hoefle second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

MOTION: Mr. Evers moved to adopt. Mr. Hoefle second.

ROLL CALL: Yeas unanimous.

Motion carried. Legislation is adopted as Resolution No.: 2019-004.

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 – Dennis Morley

Mayor Morley: Thank you Mr. President and welcome everyone to this evenings meeting and a Happy New Year. On January 23<sup>rd</sup> we have a tentative meeting set up here at City Hall and it will be with the resident's of Waverly Road. They are going to start the construction to finish the basin and the sanitary sewers on Waverly Road, so that is going to be a big project. Also a meeting with RCG and Premier about the Vineyards...RCG is who purchased the Vineyards last October. We are going to sit down and discuss with them a game plan to try and get the Vineyards filled. We also do have a new business going into the Vineyards where the old Pizza Hut was and it is called Taco Vago. Right now they have another place that El Macho Taco in Painesville and they are opening a second one here in Eastlake. The goals are going to be to try and fill the Vineyards and we are going to sit down and try and get a game plan with them to discuss what else can go in there. Four Points has re-opened and there will be a Ribbon Cutting on January 22 at 5:00 p.m. and an open house from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. January 18<sup>th</sup> is also the Chamber Awards that the Council President and I will be attending at the Croatian Lodge. I would just like to congratulate CT Consultants, which was the large business of the year; Lake County Captains was the small business of the year, Bill Strebb Electric; which is in Eastlake also is business person of the year, and Process Technology out of Willoughby with the show case award. Mr. Menn has had a couple more inquires about some other businesses. I've sat down with two or three others and hopefully in the next few months we can announce a couple other businesses that will be coming to Eastlake. That concludes my report and I am open for questions.

There were no questions for Mayor Morley.

FIRE CHIEF – Ted Whittington

Chief Whittington: Thank you Mr. President. I just want to wish everybody a Happy New Year and nothing really to report. It was actually a busy holiday season, but we got through it. Again like I told you guys at the last meeting I am looking forward to another productive year in 2019 with everybody and I am open for questions.

There were no questions for Chief Whittington.

POLICE CHIEF – Larry Reik

Chief Reik: Happy New Year to everyone. We also had a moderate December nothing super crazy. We worked well with Fire Department on a couple of the bigger things, but all went pretty well. We are in the process of hiring now and hopefully within a week or so we'll be able to pick a couple of candidates. We still have the two vacancies to fill from last year and everything seems to be moving along so with that I am open for questions.

There were no questions for Chief Reik.

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL – David Menn

Mr. Menn: Happy New Year to all. There is a BZA Meeting tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. and there is no agenda. There is a Planning Commission Meeting on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and there are two items on the agenda and that is all that I have.

There were no questions for Mr. Menn.

SERVICE DIRECTOR – Nick Rubertino

Mr. Rubertino: Good evening everybody. An update on the catch basins we were able to get eighteen of those completed this year. We still have many to go but those are the worst of the worse that were out there. We have pretty much everything under control and hopefully we can get by until spring with that. Due to this great weather that we've had we were able to get some work done in late fall early winter this time year as far as pot holes I don't think that we have any. If they are they are very far and few between, but we've hit every road in the city and try to make sure that everything's up to par as far as the pot holes are concerned. We did massive tree trimming throughout the city, some happy some not. We try to protect the expense of replacing mirrors. Not only to our vehicles but to the garbage trucks and UPS drivers and FedEx calling up with regards to the trees that were hanging over the road. So we've done massive cutting and trimming on those trees as well. Unfortunately we still do not have our new truck. I don't know if it's even been started, although we were promised by this date it's still in the process of getting the body put onto it and with that I am open for questions. Thank you everybody.

There were no questions for Mr. Rubertino.

CITY ENGINEER – Tom Gwydir

Mr. Gwydir: Thank you Mr. President, Members of Council, and Mr. Mayor. Thank you for your consideration and the confidence placed in myself and CT Consultants as your engineer it's very much appreciated. Moving onto general work going on in the city the Galalina Boulevard

Pump Station is moving forward. They are putting in the Earth Retention System and as noted by the Mayor Waverly Road is going to get under way and we will have a resident meeting shortly and with that I am open for questions.

There were no questions for Mr. Gwydir.

FINANCE DIRECTOR – Carol-Ann Schindel

Ms. Schindel: Thank you. We spent the last week wrapping up last year's figures. We fell a little better than our anticipated budget and those reports will be coming out to you soon. Now that means next week or the middle of next week we will start working on our figures for 2019. Are there any questions?

There were no questions for Ms. Schindel.

LAW DIRECTOR – Randy Klammer

Mr. Klammer: Mr. President, Members of Council, and Mr. Mayor. Thank you Mr. President for helping us with the Safety Director conflict I appreciate it. The only thing that I have to tell you guys about that they did re-apply for that sign and we did the application through the new ordinances that you guys passed. So if you wanted to attend the first Planning Commission Meeting they are going to be on the Planning Commission Meeting this week right? So in case you wanted to be at that one, but the information's all likely going to be the same. Other than that I am open for questions.

There were no questions for Mr. Klammer.

Mr. Meyers: Mr. Hoefle?

Mr. Hoefle: Do we have an Ordinance Committee Meeting coming up?

Mr. Kasunick: Yes I believe it's the 15<sup>th</sup> we have an Ordinance Committee Meeting and deer hunting is on there and I believe that also the rental inspection issue should be on that agenda as well.

Mr. Meyers: And that will be at 6:00 p.m.?

Mr. Kasunick: Yes...6:00 p.m. works for everybody?

Mr. Meyers: Mr. Rubertino?

Mr. Rubertino: I'm sorry I wanted to mention the Post Office has closed down. So they pulled all of their equipment and all of their materials out of the Post Office. Just so everybody has a heads up they terminated their contract agreement with us. The building sits empty and the outside postbox will still be there until further notice. Thank you.

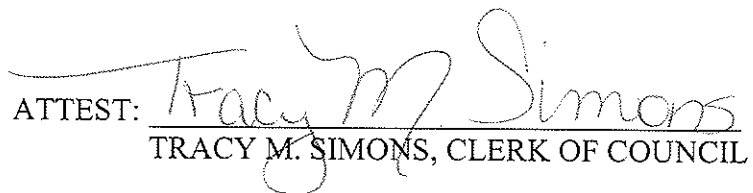
ADJOURNMENT



The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:24 p.m.

  
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JOHN MEYERS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED: 1-22-19

ATTEST:   
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TRACY M. SIMONS, CLERK OF COUNCIL