

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Monday April 4, 2022 at 6pm
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President John Torma **called to order** this Regular Meeting of East Liverpool City Council at 6:00PM.

ROLL CALL:

The Clerk read aloud the **call of the roll** and was recorded as follows:

First Ward Council member Tom Beagle:	present
Second Ward Council member C. Fred Rayl:	present
Third Ward Council member Jeffrey Kreefer:	present
Fourth Ward Council member Scott Barrett:	present
Council member At-Large Brian Kerr:	present
Council Member At-Large John Mercer:	present
Council member At-Large Robert Nizer Jr.:	present

PRAYER AND PLEDGE:

Council member Nizer led the **Prayer and Pledge**.

MINUTES-CORRECT:

Council President John Torma **entertained a motion to accept the minutes** from March 7, 2022 as there were no additions or corrections. **Moved** by Council member Kerr and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE:

Council President John Torma **entertained a motion that Personal Privilege be granted**. **Moved** by Council member Rayl and **Seconded** by Council member Barrett. The call was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

No one addressed Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business.

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS:

The Clerk reported he had passed out to all members a letter from the Liverpool Township Trustees showing support for keeping Municipal Court in East Liverpool, and a letter from an energy company..

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Refuse and Recycling / Public Utilities / Franchise Committee: Brian Kerr, Chair of the Refuse and Recycling / Public Utilities / Franchise Committee reported the committee met on March 29, 2022 @ 3:30pm, with one member of the committee excused. Mr. Kerr reported several office holder and elected officials were present.

Mr. Kerr indicated discussions were taken up regarding the operations at the the water and sewer plants as well as updates regarding the Storm Water Department and the Incinerator Department, with no further action being taken.

License and Economic Development Committee: John Mercer, Chair of the License and Economic Development Committee reported the committee met on March 16, 2022 at 5pm in chambers with all committee members present, as well as several department heads and elected officials, please see attached.

Topics undertaken by the committee were housing and all examination of all licensing fees.

Mr. Mercer called the next meeting of the committee for 6pm, April 26, 2022 in chambers.

Recreation and Ordinance Committee: Robert Nizer Jr., Chair of the Recreation and Ordinance Committee reported he had visited all the playgrounds to see what each one needs were.

Streets / Lands and Buildings Committee: Scott Barrett, Chair of the Streets / Lands and Buildings Committee made no report.

Safety and Rules Committee: Jeffrey Kreefer, Chair of the Safety / Rules Committee made no report but updated council regarding the sewage problem on outer St. Clair Ave.

Finance and Labor Committee: C. Fred Rayl, Chair of the Finance / Labor Committee reported the committee met on March 29, 2022 @ 3pm in chambers with all committee

members present as well several department heads, elected officials and well as the print media, please see attached.

Mr. Rayl reported the committee agreed to pass on to the full council two resolutions and five ordinances for its perusal.

1. An ordinance to pay vendors.
2. An ordinance to amend the budget ordinance.
3. An ordinance to replace Ordinance Number 4, 2022.
4. An ordinance to purchase backhoe.
5. An ordinance to purchase a wheel loader.

Rayl called the next meeting of the committee for 3pm, April 26, 2022 in chambers.

Mr. Rayl reported the committee met in special session just prior to this regular meeting of City Council @ 5:30pm with all committee members present as well as the Auditor, Mayor and Service director, to consider the following:

An error was reported in the price of the back hoe, as it did not reflect an upgrade package on the original bid of one hundred and ten thousand two hundred and twenty six dollars and the price should be with the upgraded package one hundred thirteen thousand, eight hundred and twenty dollars.

Mr. Rayl also reported the committee agreed to pass on to the full Council two resolutions for this regular meeting of City Council.

1. A resolution authorizing the mayor to make application with EDA for water system rehabilitation.
2. A resolution to purchase rock salt for next winter.

Mr. Rayl then, in the form of a **motion**, requested a **seven-day waiver** for the three proposals and was **seconded** by Mr. Kerr. The call was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

Planning and Expansion Committee: Tom Beagle, Chair of the Planning and Expansion Committee made no report, but called a meeting of the committee for 630pm, April 20, 2022 in chambers.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHIEF OF POLICE: Police Chief John Lane made no report.

FIRE CHIEF: Fire Chief William Jones made no report.

UTILITIES DIRECTOR: Utilities Director Robert Wright was not present.

STREET SUPERINTENDENT: Street Superintendent Jason Jackson was not present.

HOUSING INSPECTOR: Housing Inspector Kayla Crawl was not present.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: City Planning Director William Cowan was not present.

OFFICE OF THE LAW DIRECTOR: Law Director Charles Payne made no report.

OFFICE OF CITY AUDITOR: City Auditor Marilyn Bosco made no report.

OFFICE OF INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT: Tax Commissioner Linda Harpold was not present.

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER: Treasurer Deborah Fickes was not present.

OFFICE OF SERVICE / SAFETY: Service / Safety Director David Dawson made no report.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Gregory Bricker thanked the Finance Committee and the City Auditor for having the Special Finance Meeting to get those resolutions forwarded to council for this regular meeting

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION REPORT:

LEGISLATION:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL TO FILE AN EAA GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE EDA AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Rayl, and **Seconded** by Council member Kerr, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Beagle, and **Seconded** by Council member Barrett, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Kreefer, and **Seconded** by Council member Mercer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Mercer, and **Seconded** by Council member Nizer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Resolution Number 4, 2022 duly passed as read.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL TO ENTER INTO A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE PURCHASE OF SODIUM CHLORIDE (ROCK SALT) FOR THE 2022-23 WINTER SEASON AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Nizer, and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Mercer, and **Seconded** by Council member Kerr, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Kreefer , and **Seconded** by Council member Rayl, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Barrett, and **Seconded** by Council member Nizer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **declared** Resolution Number 5, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY AUDITOR TO PAY CERTAIN VENDORS WHO SUPPLIED GOODS OR SERVICES TO THE CITY WITHOUT THE ISSUANCE OR AUTHORIZATION OF A PURCHASE ORDER.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Mercer, and **Seconded** by Council member Barrett, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Rayl, and **Seconded** by Council member Nizer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes

Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Kerr, and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle , the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett: yes Mr. Mercer: yes
Mr. Beagle: yes. Mr. Nizer: yes
Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Nizer, and **Seconded** by Council member Mercer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett: yes Mr. Mercer: yes
Mr. Beagle: yes. Mr. Nizer: yes
Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 15, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BUDGET ORDINANCE NUMBER 14, 2022 BY ADJUSTING APPROPRIATIONS.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Kreefer, and **Seconded** by Council member Rayl, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett: yes Mr. Mercer: yes
Mr. Beagle: yes. Mr. Nizer: yes
Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Mercer, and **Seconded** by Council member Nizer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett: yes Mr. Mercer: yes
Mr. Beagle: yes. Mr. Nizer: yes
Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Nizer, and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Kerr, and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 16, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE ORDINANCE NUMBER 4, 2022, THE WAGES AND BENEFITS OF THE NON-UNION EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO, COUNTY OF COLUMBIANA.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Rayl, and **Seconded** by Council member Mercer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Kerr, and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Nizer, and **Seconded** by Council member Barrett, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Mercer, and **Seconded** by Council member Kerr, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 17, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY BY AND THROUGH THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO PURCHASE A CASE 580SN BACKHOE LOADER IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$113,820.00 THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM WHEREBY OBTAINING THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Kerr, and **Seconded** by Council member Mercer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Rayl, and **Seconded** by Council member Kreefer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Nizer, and **Seconded** by Council member Beagle, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Rayl, and **Seconded** by Council member Kerr, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 18, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY BY AND THROUGH THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO PURCHASE A 2022 CASE 521G WHEEL LOADER IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED FOURTY THREE THOUSAND -ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE DOLLARS (\$143,163.00) THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM WHEREBY OBTAINING THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Kerr, and **Seconded** by Council member Nizer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes
Mr. Kerr:	yes.	Mr. Rayl:	yes
Mr. Kreefer:	yes.		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

Moved by Council member Kreefer, and **Seconded** by Council member Kerr, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes.	Mr. Nizer:	yes

Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Moved by Council member Kreefer, and **Seconded** by Council member Barrett, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett: yes Mr. Mercer: yes
Mr. Beagle: yes. Mr. Nizer: yes
Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Barrett, and **Seconded** by Council member Nizer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett: yes Mr. Mercer: yes
Mr. Beagle: yes. Mr. Nizer: yes
Mr. Kerr: yes. Mr. Rayl: yes
Mr. Kreefer: yes.

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 19, 2022 duly passed as read.

MISCELLANEOUS:

At-Large Council member Brian Kerr congratulated the mayor for doing a great job as well as all departments.

At-Large Council member John Mercer thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

At-Large Council member Robert Nizer Jr. thanked everyone for all their help.

Fourth Ward Council member Scott Barrett thanked the administration for buying much needed equipment.

Third Ward Council member Jeffrey Kreefer announced he had applied for a twenty five thousand dollar grant from Lowes Home Center. Mr. Kreefer then brought up a pet project of his, "Wheels and Meals", and Kreefer reported he had to move it to July 30th, due to a scheduling conflict.

Second Ward Council member C. Fred Rayl made no comment.

First Ward Council member Thomas Beagle made no comment.

Council President John Torma was happy that council passed the purchase of new equipment.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council President Torma **entertained a motion to Adjourn. Motion** was made by Council member Nizer.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK S. SCAFIDE, COUNCIL CLERK

JOHN TORMA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT