

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Monday May 2, 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 Kreefer led the **Prayer and Pledge**.

MINUTES-CORRECT:

Council President John Torma **entertained a motion to accept the minutes** from April 4, 2022 as there were no additions or corrections. **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.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE:

Council President John Torma **entertained a motion that Personal Privilege be granted**. **Moved** by Council member Barrett and **Seconded** by Council member Rayl, 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.

Linda Ziegler, 1112 Ohio Avenue urged council members to show public support for the continued operation on East Liverpool Municipal Court in the city of East Liverpool.

Bill Ash, Smithfield Street and Representing the Veterans City Council, wanted to publicly thank all those in the community that have helped with hanging the veterans banners all through downtown.

Thomas Butch and Eileen Dray-Barton made a small presentation and spoke about the Columbiana County Park District.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business.

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS:

The Clerk reported that a Public Hearing was being called for May 24, 2022 at 6pm to consider a zoning change for a building on 7th street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Refuse and Recycling / Public Utilities / Franchise Committee: Brian Kerr, Chair of the Refuse and Recycling / Public Utilities / Franchise Committee made no report.

License and Economic Development Committee: John Mercer, Chair of the License and Economic Development Committee reported the committee met on April 20, 2022 with all committee members present as well as several office holders and city officials, please see attached.

Mr. Mercer called the next meeting of the committee for 6pm, May 18th, 2022 in chambers.

Recreation and Ordinance Committee: Robert Nizer Jr., Chair of the Recreation and Ordinance Committee made no report.

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 thanked Bill Cowan for his help on an issue, updated members on the flooding issue on outer Saint Clair Avenue. Kreefer also commented on all the good things happening in the city, including a new post office, Dollar Tree store and others.

Mr. Kreefer again stated he felt that the old East Junior School building could be saved and reused as possibly for the Street Department employees whom work out of a terrible building.

Finance and Labor Committee: C. Fred Rayl, Chair of the Finance / Labor Committee reported the East Liverpool Finance and Labor Committee met at 3pm, April 26, 2022 in chambers with all committee members present as well as several department heads, elected officials and the print media. Please see attached.

Mr. Rayl reported the committee agreed to pass on to the full Council several pieces of proposed legislation for it's consideration.

1. A resolution authorizing the mayor to make application with ODNR for the clean trail initiative.
2. A resolution authorizing the Service/Safety Director to participate in ODOT cooperative purchasing program.
3. An ordinance to amend the budget ordinance.
4. An ordinance authorizing the Service/Safety Director to enter into a dispatching agreement with the Calcutta Fire Department (CVFD).
5. An ordinance to purchase a backhoe loader.
6. An ordinance to purchase a Case 521G Wheel Loader.

Planning and Expansion Committee: Tom Beagle, Chair of the Planning and Expansion Committee made no report.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHIEF OF POLICE: Police Chief John Lane gave details regarding the proposed dispatch contract with CVFD.

FIRE CHIEF: Fire Chief William Jones reported that May 9, 2022, his department will be presented a new piece of equipment and invited council members and the public.

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 discussed the Storm Water treatment permit and shared with members the CIC yearly report which includes loans outstanding, cash on hand and a list of CIC owned properties.

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 updated members on the Elizabeth Street bridge project, paving in the city and water breaks the men are working on.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Gregory Bricker updated members regarding demolishing blighted properties, hoped council passes the ODNR trail initiative, hoping for councils support for murals to be painted in the city, with the first one to be painned on a retaining wall on lower Bradshaw Avenue.

The Mayor also announced the first clean-up day in town for June 4th

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION REPORT

APPOINTMENTS OF BOARDS AND SEATS:

Council President Torma entertained a motion to appoint Mr. Sean McNicole, 240 Ravine Street, to the Housing Board of Appeals as requested by Mayor Bricker. **Moved** by Mr. Nizer and **Seconded** by Mr. 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.

LEGISLATION:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES CLEAN OHIO TRAILS FUND PROGRAM FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Nizer, 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 Mercer, 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 Barrett, 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.

PASSAGE:

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.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Resolution Number 6, 2022 duly passed as read.

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO THROUGH IT'S DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE-SAFETY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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 Rayl, 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 Nizer, 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.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Mercer, 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** Resolution Number 7, 2022 duly passed as read.

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

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

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
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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 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.

PASSAGE:

Moved by Council member Beagle, 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.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 20, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF SERVICE-SAFETY OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A DISPATCHING AGREEMENT WITH THE CALCUTTA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 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 Mercer, the call of the roll was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barrett:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
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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 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.

PASSAGE:

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.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 21, 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO, BY AND THROUGH THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO PURCHASE A CASE 580SN BACKHOE LOADER IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS IN PARTICIPATION IN CONTRACTS OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PURSUANT TO ORC SECTION 5513.01 (B) 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 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 Beagle, 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 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.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 22 , 2022 duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, 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 AND SIXTY THREE DOLLARS IN PARTICIPATION IN CONTRACTS OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PURSUANT TO ORC SECTION 5513.01(B) WHEREBY OBTAINING THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

Moved by Council member Barrett, 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 Beagle, 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 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 Beagle, 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.

Council President John Torma **Declared** Ordinance Number 23, 2022 duly passed as read.

MISCELLANEOUS:

At-Large Council member Brian Kerr made no comment.

At-Large Council member John Mercer thanked those whom came to the meeting.

At-Large Council member Robert Nizer Jr. thanked the public for coming out.

Fourth Ward Council member Scott Barrett thanked those who came out, and thanked the veterans as well.

Third Ward Council member Jeffrey Kreefer thanked Mr. Cowan and the administration for the repairs to outer St. Clair Ave., thanked the administration for the Claw Truck sand it's operator for the good work being done and thanked Virginia Jackson for the lights being strung downtown.

Second Ward Council member C. Fred Rayl felt that the old school could be saved, but it's also a terrible danger to the public.

First Ward Council member Thomas Beagle thanked those who came out.

Council President John Torma made no comment.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK S. SCAFIDE, COUNCIL CLERK

JOHN TORMA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

