

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Monday April 06, 2026 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 Deb Danver:	present
Third Ward Council member Jeffrey Kreefer:	present
Fourth Ward Council member Andrew Arcuragi:	present
Council member At-Large Brian Kerr:	present
Council Member At-Large John Mercer:	present
Council member At-Large Thomas Clark:	present

PRAYER AND PLEDGE:

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

MINUTES-CORRECT:

Council President John Torma **entertained a motion to accept the minutes** from the Regular meeting of February 02, 2026 and March 03, 2026, 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. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE:

Council President John Torma **entertained a motion that Personal Privilege be granted**. **Moved** by Council member Kreefer and **Seconded** by Council member Arcuragi, the call was recorded as follows:

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

No one addressed Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business.

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS:

There were no Communications or petitions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance and Labor Committee: Brian Kerr, Chair of the Finance and Labor Committee reported the committee met on the 24th of March at 3pm with all committee members present as well as several office holders and elected officials. Please see attached.

Those proposals brought forward to the full council are as follows:

1. An ordinance to pay vendors.
2. An ordinance to amend the budget ordinance.
3. An ordinance to contract with William Cowan on special projects.
4. An ordinance authorizing the clerk to deliver the general certificate to the EPA>
5. An ordinance to adopt a temporary easement and hold harmless agreement when replacing lead lines during the State Route 39 project.

Kerr called the next meeting of the committee for 8:30am April 28, 2026, in chambers.

Before Mr. Kerr concluded his report, Ms. Danver raised some questions regarding the lack of language in the proposal regarding the protection of the property owners, making sure that their property would be returned to the owners satisfaction once the lead lines have been replaced.

After some discussions around the room that included the Law Director, utilities director Clark and several members of city council, Ms. Danver **made motion** to lay upon the table the proposal until the language was clarified to protect the property owners and was **seconded** by Mr. Beagle. The call was recorded as follows:

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	no
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	no	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 5-2 to table.

License and Economic Development Committee: John Mercer, Chair of the License and Economic Development Committee reported the committee met on March 18

at 6pm, please see attached. Mr. Mercer called the next meeting of the committee for 6pm April 15, 2026, in chambers.

Streets / Lands & Buildings: Thomas Clark, Chair of the Streets and Lands and Buildings Committee made no report due to lack of quorum. Mr. Clark called the next meeting for 6:05pm March 18, 2026, in chambers.

Recreation and Ordinance: Andrew Arcuragi, Chair of the Recreation and Ordinance Committee made no report.

Refuse and Recycling / Public Utilities: Jeffrey Kreefer, Chair of the Refuse and Recycling / Public Utilities / Franchise Committee reported the committee met on February 23, 2026, please see attached.

There was some discussion with Tim Clark regarding some federal funding to help with the lead line replacement on State Route 39.

Mr. Kreefer called the next meeting of the committee for 6pm April 23, 2026 in chambers.

Rules Committee: Deb Danver, Chair of the Safety and Rules Committee reported the committee met on March 19, 2026 at 6:30pm, with Mr. Ker and Ms. Danver in attendance, please see attached.

Ms. Danver called the next meeting for 6:30pm Monday April 13, 2026, in chambers.

Planning and Expansion Committee: Tom Beagle, Chair of the Planning and Expansion Committee reported the committee met on Wednesday March 18, 2026 at 6:30PM, please see attached.

Mr. Beagle called the next meeting of the committee for 6pm Wednesday April 15, 2026 in chambers.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHIEF OF POLICE: Police Chief John Lane was not present.

FIRE CHIEF: Fire Chief Antony Cumo was not present.

UTILITIES DIRECTOR: Utilities Director Tim Clark made no comment.

STREET SUPERINTENDENT: Street Superintendent Dan Galeoti was not present.

HOUSING INSPECTOR: Housing Inspector was not present.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: City Planning Director was not present.

OFFICE OF THE LAW DIRECTOR: Law Director Charles Payne discussed his new intern.

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

OFFICE OF INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT: Tax Commissioner Sharon Williams was not present.

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

OFFICE OF SERVICE / SAFETY: Service / Safety Director William Jones was not present.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Robert Smith was not present.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION REPORT:

LEGISLATION:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President Torma **declared** Ordinance Number 12, 2026, duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BUDGET ORDINANCE NUMBER 08, 2026 BY ADJUSTING APPROPRIATIONS.

CONSIDERATION:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	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. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President Torma **declared** Ordinance Number 13, 2026, duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL, TO ENTER INTO AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAM COWAN FOR SPECIAL FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS AND OVERSIGHT SERVICES AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	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. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0

Council President Torma **declared** Ordinance Number 14, 2026, duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER THE GENERAL CERTIFICATE TO THE OHIO EPA AND THE ODWA AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President Torma **declared** Ordinance Number 15, 2026, duly passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LAW DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL TO ACCEPT THE SERVICES OF ISABELLA BENAË MROZEK AS A VOLUNTEER LEGAL INTERN IN THE OFFICES OF THE LAW DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF EAST LIVERPOOL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

CONSIDERATION:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

FIRST READING:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

PASSAGE:

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

Mr. Arcuragi:	yes	Mr. Kerr:	yes
Mr. Beagle:	yes	Mr. Kreefer:	yes
Mr. Clark:	yes	Mr. Mercer:	yes
Mr. Danver:	yes		

Motion carried 7-0.

Council President Torma **declared** Ordinance Number 16, 2026, duly passed as read.

MISCELLANEOUS:

At-Large Council member Brian Kerr made no comments.

At-Large Council member John Mercer made no comments.

At-Large Council member Thomas Clark made no comments.

Fourth Ward Council member Andrew Arcuragi made no comments.

Third Ward Council member Jeffrey Kreefer thanked Tim Clark for all his help.

Second Ward Council member Deb Danver thanked Mr. Clark as well and did report she had visited the wastewater and water treatment plants and thanked those who toured her.

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

Council President John Torma made no comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK S. SCAFIDE, COUNCIL CLERK

JOHN TORMA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT