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Compares Action on Pay Hikes

To the Editor:

It was most gratifying to read the editorials carried in both news media, the Journal and the Chronicle, about the action taken by the two city councils on the pay raise issue, Lorain Council voted itself a raise but Elyria did not. This should reveal to the voters of each city the character of their representative bodies.

Chronicle Telegram:

- 1. Elyria City Council is to be congratulated for the sound judgment shown in its decision not to raise salaries of elected officials at this time.
- 2. We believe Council acted in the best interest of our city and we are gratified that other elected officials are in agreement. There has been no effort by them to induce Council to approve raises.
- 3. It is a temptation to contrast the responsible decision by the Elyria Council with that in Lorain were raises were granted ... We are happy that Elyria officials are more willing to sacrifice personal advancement for community good.

Lorain Journal:

The timing was bad and so was the manner in which it was done.

How gullible are the voters of Lorain? Will they over look this issue in May and November? Are those officials who are responsible for granting the raises running again for public office to pull other sneaks like the city income tax, duplexes raised up in our neighborhoods, pay raises etc? Must we give them another opportunity to misrepresent us? Renounce them at the ballot box.

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