

COUNCIL MINUTES

February 4, 2019

Council Chambers

7:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M. - President Ellington called the Monday February 4, 2019 Newark City Council Meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION – Mr. Labutis

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- President Ellington

CAUCUS

MINUTES of January 22, 2019 Motion by Mr. Labutis to approve the January 22, 2019 Newark City Council Minutes as presented and the reading be dispensed with in view of the fact each member of Council has received written summary of same, second by Mr. Fraizer. **Motion carried by acclamation.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance- **Received & Filed**

Service- **Received & Filed**

Street- **Received & Filed**

Economic Development- **Received & Filed**

Capital Improvement- **Received & Filed**

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Barb Jobes, City Income Tax Administrator- revenue reports for the period ending January 15, 2019. - **Received & Filed**

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Rochelle Bolen Smith, 237 Violet Ct- thanked Joe Ebel for his wonderful commentary in the Newark Advocate about the needle exchanges as a public health intervention. It was in Sunday's paper, he points out the importance of needle exchanges in preventing serious diseases. She stated that Ohio is 4th in terms of opium and other drug abuses.

Pastor Jeff Gill of the Newark Central Christian Church, 587 Mt Vernon Rd- he was here to thank Newark City Council and Officials and leaders. He thanked Shaun Grady for stepping up early on. He stated 17 different churches in the community pulled their resources to help the homeless people in our community during the polar vortex. He stated Newark is a caring compassionate city where people come together to show love.

Betsy Beckham, 888 Mt. Vernon Rd- spoke opposing the zoning change on 20 Cherry St. She stated that she has 81 signatures on a petition against the property becoming multi-family. She stated they are concerned for their property values, increased crime and more traffic on the narrow streets.

ORDINANCES ON A SECOND READING

By: Cost, Marmie, Rath

19-01 AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE AUTHORITY OF THE TEMPORARY BOARD OF ZONING DISTRICT REVISION

Motion by Mr. Rath to adopt Ordinance No. 19-01, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING

By: Marmie, Cost, Rath

19-01 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (100 General Fund-\$15,000.00: Bldg Maintenance; 100 General Fund-\$2,997.76: Overtime & Training Funds NFD)

Motion by Mr. Marmie to adopt Resolution No. 19-01, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

By: Marmie, Cost, Rath

19-02 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION - EXPEDITE (231 Probation Grant Fund-\$11,470.35: Additional Grant Funds; 100 General Fund-\$7,000.00: Coble Park City Match; 661 Sewer Dept Fund: \$75,000.00- Vehicles; 669 Storm Water Dept: \$174,000.00- Vehicles & Equipment; 153 Comp Absences: \$35,500.00- Payout George Ramano)

Motion by Mr. Marmie to waive the two day reading rule, second by Mr. Fraizer

Mr. Marmie- there is a payout to employee that we need to get taken care of as soon as possible.

Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 19-02 by Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

By: Marmie, Cost, Rath

19-04 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (621 Water Fund: \$44,110.00- Project Engineer Benefits; 661 Sewer Dept Fund: \$44,110.00- Project Engineer Benefits; 669 Storm Water Utility Fund: \$61,215.00- Project Engineer/Environmental Systems Tech Benefits; 100 General Fund: \$26,107.00- Additional Funding for Environmental Systems Tech Benefits)

Held for a second reading

By: Cost, Rath

19-05 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION- CI EXPEDITE (331 Capt Imp Fund: \$12,500.00- Upgrades Coble Park; 331 Capt Imp Fund: \$22,000.00- Zero Turn Mowers for Parks Dept)

Motion by Mr. Lang to waive the two day reading rule on Resolution No. 19-05, second by Mr. Fraizer

Mr. Lang- this is to complete some ongoing projects in a timely manner.

Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 19-05 by Mr. Lang, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.

By: Rath, Cost, Frazier

19-07 A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 81-9 AND EXPANDING THE BOUNDARIES OF COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA #1.

Held for a second reading

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Fraizer- I want to thank everybody who attended the HHCA chicken noodle dinner that was held at Jeff Gills church, they have always been a great host. We raised over \$3500.00 as part of the chicken noodle dinner. We are waiting for the final count on Thursday including the auction. It is looking to be the most successful fund raiser we have had. I want to thank the administration, the CIC and the Chamber of Commerce for the Groundhog Breakfast as well as the motto, slogan campaign to revamp the city. It is also very inspiring to see churches coming together to address the homeless issue during the polar vortex. I also want to thank Mark Mauter for responding to the request for information that we had in the Economic Development Committee and getting that to us in the appropriate amount of time. Once again 2020census.org is the job site for the Census Bureau.

Ms. Hall- I would like to thank David Rhodes and our Street Department for taking care of us. They do a great job. We got emails telling us who to call if there were problems, I really appreciated that. I also wanted to thank Jeff Gill for thanking us.

Mr. Labutis- I want to thank Newark Central Christian Church, Vertical 196 and Newark Nazarene for helping to reach out to the community last week and there were other involved so thank you to them too. Thank you to the Chamber of Commerce for a great groundhog breakfast this past Friday. Thank you to Mr. Mauter for providing us the information on the CRA.

Mr. Lang- I want to echo some comments made about Mr. Gill and Central Christian Church for the great work that they did to pull that together, it was very impressive to see how quickly that all came together. The groundhog breakfast was great; I wanted to extend congratulations to Marcia Downes who won the John Alford award I thought that she was very deserving of that award this year. I also want to congratulate The Works for the event they held this weekend, Cocktails by the Fire to support their efforts. Job well done.

Mr. Marmie- called a Finance Committee Meeting.

Mr. Rath- called a Service Committee meeting. I want to thank Jeff Gill for coming in and thanking us. He was right Newark did step up in the time of need. Mr. Gill is very humble a lot of that response he is responsible for and he coordinated, so kudos to him. He stated that it would be nice to have the petition that Betsy Beckman was talking about earlier.

Mr. Blake- I want to thank Director Mauter and Barbara Gilkes for the Ohio Street improvement, the Coble Park improvements that are being planned. I think that is going to be a great asset to that neighborhood. Thank you for all your work on that. Director Rhodes had a piece of that as well. Last week it was extremely cold and we do want to thank Reverend Gill, the Central Christian Church and Vertical 196 for what they did but also the Methodist Church on East Main Street and a group called the Cross Roots Crusaders had another warming station. We had two warming stations in the city and I did have the chance to stop by both places. There are some wonderful people in our community. It is cold outside but there are some very warm hearts and minds going on.

President Ellington- Chief Connor will be here either the 19th or March 4th to give us the update on the Fire Department yearly report. City Hall is closed Monday February 18th so our next committee meeting will be Tuesday February 19th at 5:45 P.M. and Council at 7:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT- Motion by Mr. Labutis, second by Mr. Cost. Motion carried by acclamation